

# LSRCA Conservation Areas Reopening Plan

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# Presentation Overview



- Background
- Steps to Reopen Conservation Areas
- Phased Reopening

# Background

- March 24<sup>th</sup> - Closed all LSRCA Properties
- May 1<sup>st</sup> - Reopened Trails with Direct Connection to Municipal Trail Systems - MANY THANKS to East Gwillimbury, Newmarket and Uxbridge For Their Support
- May 11<sup>th</sup> - Province of Ontario Reopens Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves for Limited Day Use Access
- LSRCA Developing/Finalizing Plan to Reopen Properties for Limited Day Use Access by May 29<sup>th</sup>
- May 19<sup>th</sup> - Province Eases More Restrictions, including community dog parks



# Steps to Reopen

- Developing Safety Measures to Return to the Field
- Property Assessments – including over 120 kilometres of trail
- Complete maintenance requirements (pre-opening)
- Remove closure barriers
- Update Signage (visitor etiquette, restrictions, etc.)
- Enhanced maintenance procedures once properties are opened
- Update property status with municipal partners (police, by-law)



# Reopening Phases

## PHASE I - COMPLETE

- Properties within urban areas with direct trail connectivity to municipal trail systems
- Passive Use Only, no amenities opened

## PHASE II – MAY 29<sup>th</sup>

- Properties with no/limited parking facilities and no amenities
- Passive Use Only, no amenities opened
- No Special Use Permits



# Reopening Phases

## PHASE III – May 29<sup>th</sup>

- Properties with medium or large parking facilities
- Passive Use Only, no amenities opened (except for Scanlon Creek Bark Park)
- No Special Use Permits

## PHASE IV – TBD

- Reopen facilities/amenities
- Awaiting further direction from Province and Health Units



# QUESTIONS

