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#### Section I – Items for Board of Directors Action

**TO:** Chair and Members of the Board of Directors Meeting #9/18, Friday, November 30, 2018

**FROM:** Carolyn Woodland, Senior Director, Planning, Greenspace and Communications

#### RE: GOODWOOD RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TRACT TRAIL PLAN PROJECT

#### **KEY ISSUE**

Approval of the Goodwood Resource Management Tract Trail Plan.

#### RECOMMENDATION

WHEREAS The TRCA Board of Directors approved the undertaking of the Goodwood Resource Management Tract Trail Plan Project;

AND WHEREAS Green Durham Association (GDA) and the Oak Ridges Trail Association (ORTA) have committed to providing \$50,000 towards the implementation of the plan (\$40,000 GDA and \$10,000 ORTA);

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the draft Goodwood Resource Management Tract Trail Plan dated September 2018 be approved;

THAT the Community Liaison Committee be so advised of the approval of the Trail Plan;

THAT the approved Trail Plan be circulated to the Township of Uxbridge, the Region of Durham, Parks Canada, ORTA, GDA, and the Regional Watershed Alliance for information;

THAT Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) staff proceed to secure the property agreements and/or acquisitions necessary to implement a safe trail connection to Webb Road;

THAT TRCA staff conduct a focused engagement with First Nations on design of the proposed Eagles Rest planned commemorative and viewing area to inform fundraising efforts, detailed design, and construction.

AND FURTHER THAT TRCA staff work with its partners and community leaders to seek out and secure funds, grants, sponsors and donors that will contribute towards the implementation of the Trail Plan.

#### BACKGROUND

The Goodwood Resource Management Tract (Goodwood RMT) is comprised of 127.5 hectares (315 acres) of greenspace located in the West Duffins Creek subwatershed. The property is bordered by Webb Road to the south, Concession 2 to the west, and Concession 3 to the east. It is located entirely within the Township of Uxbridge in the Regional Municipality of Durham (see **Attachment 1**). The property lies within the Oak Ridges Moraine, and is comprised entirely of natural cover. The trail system on the property includes several kilometres dedicated to hiking, snow-shoeing and cross-country skiing. The trail system includes a section of the main Oak Ridges Trail and a side trail of the Oak Ridges Trail, which connects to Rouge National Urban Park (RNUP) on the south side of Webb Road. The Goodwood RMT has historically been

managed as part of the <u>Duffins Creek Headwaters Management Plan for TRCA Properties</u> (2003), and these trails were identified in that Management Plan.

The southern boundary of the Goodwood RMT is almost directly across the road from the northernmost tip of RNUP. These northern RNUP lands were added to the Park in 2017, part of an approximately 2,100 hectare (5,200 acre) northeastern addition that extends RNUP into Durham Region and further into the Oak Ridges Moraine. Trans Canada Trail Ontario (TCTO) has expressed interest in connecting the Trans Canada Trail from its existing alignment in the East Duffins Headwaters to RNUP through a new trail spur. A proposal has been made to establish this new Trans Canada Trail route through co-designating sections of the existing Oak Ridges Trail network, including the side trail within the Goodwood RMT. With both the Oak Ridges Trail and the Trans Canada Trail gateway between these important interregional trail systems and the trail system within the northern RNUP lands.

Understanding that there has never been a dedicated Trail Plan for the Goodwood RMT and a new dedicated Trail Plan would address the possibilities of this new context, at Authority Meeting #10/17, held on January 5, 2018, Resolution #A230/17 was approved as follows:

WHEREAS Green Durham Association in partnership with TRCA, Parks Canada, and the Oak Ridges Trail Association has received \$75,000 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation to undertake a public planning process for the Goodwood Resource Management Tract Trail Plan project;

AND WHEREAS Parks Canada has committed to providing \$33,000 towards the trail planning project with a focus on developing a northern gateway from TRCA lands and the Oak Ridges Trail to Rouge National Urban Park;

AND WHEREAS Green Durham Association and the Oak Ridges Trail Association have committed to providing \$50,000 towards the implementation of the plan (\$40,000 Green Durham Association, and \$10,000 Oak Ridges Trail Association);

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT staff initiate a public planning process in partnership with Parks Canada, the Green Durham Association, and the Oak Ridges Trail Association to undertake the Goodwood Resource Management Tract Trail Plan Project;

AND FURTHER THAT staff report back to the Authority on the final draft Trail Plan for approval.

# **Trail Plan Process**

The Goodwood RMT Trail Plan outlines overarching objectives for the trail system, trail alignments, design standards, signage, amenities, and opportunities for design enhancements at feature areas throughout the site. The Goodwood RMT Trail Plan was developed through a collaborative process that engaged TRCA staff, municipal partners, stakeholders and community members. This public planning process brought together partners with valuable expertise in regional trail networks; the project was undertaken in partnership with Parks Canada, GDA, ORTA, Trans Canada Trail (TCT) and the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF).

The planning process was undertaken in three phases, and the approval of the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan is a component of the final phase of this process.

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Phase 1 – Project Initiation and Study Inventory:

- Inventoried natural environment, land use context
- Inventoried existing trails and associated wayfinding and amenities
- Established a TRCA staff Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), host meeting
- Established a Community Liaison Committee (CLC), host meeting
- Initiated on-line engagement (TRCA YourSay engagement website)
- Undertook Initial outreach to Indigenous partners

Phase 2: Trail Planning – Alternatives and Preferred

- Developed trail network options
- Generated options for trail amenities and programming
- Generated design feature options to develop a trail gateway; acknowledging the connection between RNUP, TRCA land, and regional trail connections (the Oak Ridges Trail and Trans Canada Trail)
- Finalized a <u>Terrestrial Biological Inventory Report</u> for the Goodwood RMT and surrounding area
- Held meetings with the TAC and CLC
- Hosted a Public Engagement Session
- Consulted with the Township of Uxbridge Accessibility Advisory Committee as part of AODA Integrated Accessibility Standards (Ontario Regulation 191/11) requirements on consultation with people with disabilities
- Identified a safe public crossing of Webb Road
- Evaluated trail network options and develop a preferred trail network alternative
- Refined trail amenities, wayfinding and programming opportunities
- Refined gateway design opportunities

Phase 3: Plan Finalization<sup>1</sup>

- Developed management recommendations and a phased implementation plan
- Developed trail design standards and design concepts for trail signage, amenities, and feature areas, including gateway features
- Developed and finalized the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan document
- Fulfilled OTF & TCT grant requirements for recognition and reporting (OTF and TCT grants contributed to funding for developing the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan)
- Obtain TRCA Board of Directors approval of Goodwood RMT Trail Plan
- Obtain Parks Canada, GDA and ORTA support for the plan

Engagement with TRCA staff and the public was critical to the planning process for the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan. Public engagement was undertaken through a multidimensional approach. The smaller CLC sought focused input from key external stakeholders, and broader public engagement techniques enabled more general feedback from the broader community. The project team also initiated engagement with First Nations, to continue as part of the detailed design of specific trail plan components. A joint Ryerson/University of Toronto Graduate Studies course employed the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan process as the inspiration for a semester-long student project, and TRCA staff engaged with the students to share knowledge of the site and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Certain elements of Plan Finalization are still outstanding at the time of TRCA Board of Directors approval

give feedback on student ideas. On-line, traditional media, and face-to-face communication methods were employed to provide information about the project and seek relevant input.

An open-house format Public Engagement Session was held on March 26, 2018, at the Goodwood Community Centre (268 Highway 47, Goodwood, ON). It is estimated that approx 80 people attended the session, including the Township of Uxbridge Mayor and several Councillors, area residents, and local trail and environmental organizations. CLC members were also in attendance. Materials presented to the public included the Goodwood RMT's regional context. mapping showing vegetation communities and environmental features present on the property. three trail network options, and ideas for trail infrastructure, amenities, programming, and gateway features. There were also informational booths set up by various trail and environmental organizations, including GDA, ORTA, the Uxbridge Trails Committee, TCTO, the East Duffins Headwaters Stewardship Committee, and the Oak Ridges Moraine Land Trust. Key feedback from the public included the desire for trail loops, though this comment often included the caveat that any any new trails should not degrade the ecology of the site, and some attendees expressed that there should not be any new trail linkages because of these environmental concerns. Attendees expressed the desire to experience the scenic features of the site and the site's topography. There was also a noted desire for better connections to the GO station, to RNUP, and to the Goodwood community; to create a north-south gateway. Regarding amenities, attendees expressed desire for wayfinding sighage, interpretive signage, postmarkers, observation platforms, guided hikes, safe road crossings, more parking, viewpoints, separation between the heavy equestrian area and hikers, bike parking, kiosks, trail juncture signage (with trail ratings, nearby amenities, regional trail maps, etc.), archways, tick awareness programming, trail atlases, rest/meeting points, garbage/recycling containers, boardwalks, educational programming for children, horse-friendly access, and programs to prevent dogs-off-leash.

# **Trail Plan Objectives**

Three overarching objectives guide the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan. These objectives are informed by the <u>Duffins Creek Headwaters Management Plan for TRCA Properties</u>, <u>Living City</u> <u>Policies for Planning and Development in the Watersheds of Toronto and Region Conservation</u> <u>Authority</u> (LCP), <u>Building the Living City</u> (TRCA's 2013-2022 Strategic Plan), The <u>TRCA Trail</u> <u>Strategy</u> (Draft 2018), internal TRCA and public stakeholder engagement, and the property's current regional context.

- **Protect an Ecological Sanctuary** the first and foremost trail planning objective is to protect the Goodwood RMT as an ecological sanctuary, minimizing impact to the integrity of the site's sensitive ecological and landscape features.
- **Develop a Regional Trail Gateway** the Goodwood RMT should create a gateway to celebrate the transition between RNUP and the regional trail networks and greenspace destinations of the surrounding landscape.
- Create a Natural and Cultural Heritage Destination The Goodwood RMT should be a
  destination in itself, celebrating the scenic natural and cultural features of the site and
  providing engaging trail experiences.

# **Trail Network**

The recommended trail network included in the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan (**See Attachment 2**) supports the three overarching trail planning objectives described above. To fulfill the "Protect an Ecological Sanctuary" trail planning objective, trail alignments are oriented away from the interior of the site, maintaining the large central core area of the site as undisturbed habitat. The trail alignments follow existing linear disturbances, namely existing formal and informal trails, and so there are no new major areas of disturbance to sensitive flora, fauna, and vegetation communities. The trail network fulfills the "Develop a Regional Trail Gateway" trail planning

objective, with links southwards to RNUP, eastwards along the Oak Ridges Trail/future Trans Canada Trail to recreation destinations such as the East Duffins Headwaters, and trail links westwards along the Oak Ridges Trail to the Lincolnville, Goodwood, and Stouffville communities. To fulfill the "Create a Natural and Cultural Heritage Destination" trail planning objective, trail alignments provide a connected system including a small loop. The trail alignments also cross through a wide variety of environments and highlight unique natural and cultural heritage features of the property.

The recommended Goodwood RMT trail network passes through a rich evolution of landscapes from remnant plantation forests to mixed-hardwood forests to open meadows and wetlands. The trail network passes over a number of watercourses including the West Duffins Creek. Sections of the trail network will also pass beside active agricultural lands. A number of remnant cultural heritage features can be seen from the trail, which allude to the site's agricultural history. The sloping trail system within the Goodwood RMT exemplifies the Oak Ridges Moraine topography which characterizes the site and surrounding area. The authorized trail network will be approximately 6.48 km in total length.

Minor variations from the trail alignments shown in **Attachment 2** may occur during further detailed design and trail construction based on site landscape barriers or opportunities for improvements in slope sustainability. The Goodwood RMT trail network will include trail re-alignments to help mitigate problematically steep grades in certain areas of the trail system, minimize maintenance, or to avoid disturbance to the surrounding landscape as the trails are constructed to the planned design standards. A minor re-route is also recommended at the location where the trail connects to Webb Road, to better align the existing trail connection to Webb Road with the location of a safe pedestrian road crossing. Trail closures are recommended for the existing unauthorized trails not included in the recommended trail network. The trails will permit hiking, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing, along with equestrian use on certain sections. The highly natural character of the trails will be maintained – the trails will remain as natural surface. The existing boardwalks and bridge over the West Duffins Creek are reaching the end of their service life and should be upgraded/replaced. The technical details and level of infrastructure needed for these bridges and boardwalks will be confirmed by a qualified civil/structural engineer and based on appropriate geotechnical and geomorphic assessments.

# **Trail Design Standards**

Tables 1 and 2 below represent typical trail design standards for the future Goodwood RMT trail network as shown in **Attachment 2.** Implementing these design standards will involve widening the trail at certain pinch points, additional clearing, and/or minor trail re-routes. Slight variations from these standards may occur due to on-site landscape barriers or environmental conditions.

Trail Design Standards – Hiking Trail	
Trail Tread Width	0.5 m
Trail Clearing Width	1 m
Trail Clearing Height	2.5 m
Trail Surfacing	Natural surface

# Table 1: Goodwood RMT Trail Network Design Standards - Hiking Trail

Approximately 3.52 km of the Goodwood RMT Trail Network will be Hiking Trail standard.

Trail Design Standards – Equestrian Standards	
Trail Tread Width	0.5 m minimum
Trail Clearing Width	1.8 m
Trail Clearing Height	3.5 m
Trail Surfacing	Natural surface

# Table 2: Goodwood RMT Trail Network Design Standards - Equestrian Trail

Approximately 2.92 km of the Goodwood RMT Trail Network will be Equestrian Trail standard. This trail is designed to accommodate hiking uses as well.

# **Trail Feature Areas**

The Goodwood RMT trail network will include design enhancements that highlight unique features of the property, improve visitor experience, and tell a story about the natural and cultural significance of the site. Many of these design features are clustered in specific areas to create special places along the trail system. See **Attachment 2** for the locations of these feature areas. The Appendix: Goodwood Resource Management Tract Design Elements within **Attachment 3** provides more detail on the conceptual design of these feature areas. The conceptual designs for these areas will be further refined through detailed design and a structural engineering review of the design components.

# Maple Way (Concession 3 Entrance):

The Concession 3 Entrance is intended to be the main entrance to the Goodwood RMT. It is therefore an important location to create a gathering space and rest area where visitors can meet and orient themselves. Signage and wayfinding elements will improve the visibility of the property – currently this entrance is almost hidden from view. In this area the trail follows an old farm road allowance so the area is naturally open, and large mature maple trees provide a monumental scenic presence.

# Homestead:

The 'Homestead' area will tell the story of early Uxbridge settlers by revealing the c.1860 stone building foundation, hidden for years in the wild overgrowth just north of the Oak Ridges Main Trail. The history of the three 'Yeomen' who cultivated small areas of land for their families, their farming practices, and the importance of settling close to Duffins Creek, will be shared with interpretive signage installed in this reclaimed space. Designed as an outdoor room with seating random flagstone paving, this location will become an educational destination for groups and people of all ages.

# Eagle's Rest:

The history of early Ontario relating to Indigenous First Nations people includes the trading of commodities, formal agreements, and shared and evolving understandings. This area has been designed with a wood deck look-out over Duffins Creek, inspired by the silhouette of an eagle wing. This place is a gesture to honour the Indigenous communities that lived in and continue to live in the Uxbridge area. The concept developed for this special place was inspired by an impromptu water ceremony performed by an Indigenous elder at this location, and will be further refined through future input and engagement with First Nations. The space will allow for people to gather for ceremony, and will include seating for resting and teachings, as well as interpretive signage to share the important cultural history of the Township of Uxbridge. In addition to any input received from First Nations engagement, the conceptual design of this area will be further refined through relevant engineering studies including a structural review.

#### The Green Door (Webb Road Entrance):

This access point is almost directly across from RNUP, allowing the important interregional trails that pass through the Goodwood RMT to connect to RNUP and vice versa. A gateway structure and seating area would celebrate this important connection and the collaboration between the trail partners who made it possible. The design of this structure shall be further refined through the input of TRCA's trail partners. There is a small open area which provides space for this structure as well as seating and wayfinding elements. TRCA will continue to coordinate with Parks Canada to coordinate signage and welcome messaging between the Goodwood RMT and RNUP. Within this Webb Road entrance area, a minor trail re-route is recommended to better align the existing trail access from Webb Road with the location of a safe pedestrian road crossing. The location and design of this crossing was determined through a site selection study and detailed design completed by Dillon Consulting Ltd. An additional land acquisition and/or agreement is necessary for this minor trail re-route. The construction of the pedestrian crossing will encourage trail connectivity between the Goodwood RMT and RNUP by safely and efficiently connecting trail users to the two trail networks within each of these properties on either side of Webb Road.

#### Water Pump Garden:

The Water Pump Garden is a rest spot beside a heritage tree, and is an opportunity for an interpretive focal point. The design includes a circular space formed by a frame of random flagstone paving and a curved bench (similar to that used in the Homestead), and will remind visitors of the vital importance of clean water to early settler life.

#### West Duffins Ridge Lookout:

An old farm road follows a ridge overlooking the West Duffins Creek. Breaks in the trees provide a view of the Creek, and a small seating and interpretation area takes advantage of this viewpoint.

#### Moraine Lookout:

A grassy open area at the top of a kame provides excellent internal views of the surrounding rolling landscape, including lush forest and wetland. A small seating area allows visitors to take in these views.

# Wayfinding

Wayfinding elements are essential for visitor safety and orientation. A suite of wayfinding elements will be incorporated into the Goodwood RMT trail system, both within the feature areas and spread out on the site. This suite of wayfinding elements will include a new primary trailhead kiosk, a new main entry sign, secondary trail maps, and postmarkers. The design of these elements are detailed within Appendix: Goodwood Resource Management Tract Design Elements (see **Attachment 3**). The design of elements not constructed previously by TRCA will be confirmed through structural engineering review.

#### Amenities

Trail amenities provide improvements to visitor comfort, accessibility, and engagement with the site. A suite of trail amenities will be incorporated into the Goodwood RMT trail system, both within the feature areas and spread out on the site. The suite of trail amenities will include benches and different forms of interpretive signage, detailed within Appendix: Goodwood Resource Management Tract Design Elements (see **Attachment 3**). The design of elements not constructed previously by TRCA will be confirmed through structural engineering review. Based on ongoing visitor use monitoring and trail counter data, the need for on-site washrooms and increased parking will be evaluated in coordination with Parks Canada's RNUP trail and welcome areas planning.

# Accessibility

TRCA is committed to improving accessibility for persons with disabilities. It is anticipated that the Goodwood RMT trail network will conform to almost all of the accessibility standards for recreational trails set out by Regulation 191/11: Integrated Accessibility Standards, under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) (2005). Looking beyond these accessibility standards, TRCA will implement design enhancements to the trail system to improve accessibility for persons with visual impairments. A rope line feature is proposed along one side of the trail from Concession 3 to the West Duffins Creek, to guide users along the path. At the Concession 3 entrance, an interpretive 3D topographical model is proposed so that visitors can feel the undulating landscape of the site. Further details on these interpretive features is described within Appendix: Goodwood Resource Management Tract Design Elements (see **Attachment 3)**. The design of these features, as well as any additional specific accessibility enhancements, will be refined through further engagement with the Uxbridge Accessibility Advisory Committee. These enhanced accessibility features will help the Goodwood RMT trail system fulfill the spirit of the AODA and provide engaging trail experiences to a wider variety of abilities.

#### **Trail Management**

The existing Goodwood RMT trail system is managed and maintained by ORTA, through an agreement with TRCA. Based on this agreement, ORTA is responsible for the maintenance, repair, operation, and oversight of the Oak Ridges Trail system. However, ORTA is required to report any trail safety hazards to TRCA in a timely manner. Also, a trail maintenance agreement was signed between TRCA and GDA in May 2018 to allow GDA volunteers to undertake trail maintenance along certain authorized trails on TRCA property until May 2019. The Oak Ridges Side Trail/proposed Trans Canada Trail within the Goodwood RMT property is included within this agreement. The Goodwood RMT trail system will continue to be maintained and managed through partnerships with local organizations, including ORTA and/or GDA. Any maintenance and management activities by these local organizations shall be authorized through maintenance agreements with TRCA.

# RATIONALE

The Goodwood RMT is located at a critical juncture in the regional trail landscape, and there has never been a dedicated trail plan for the property. The Goodwood RMT Trail Plan capitalizes on the opportunities of this new context, and the planning included extensive internal TRCA and public stakeholder engagement, which has led to full support of the proposed Trail Plan. With Parks Canada currently undertaking trail planning work within the new RNUP lands directly across from the Goodwood RMT, and a Trans Canada Trail connection to RNUP proposed through the Goodwood RMT, trail users and visitors to the area can be expected to increase in the future. Environmental data collected in 2017 provides new insight into the site's unique high habitat quality and its sensitivity to disturbance. Therefore, establishing a trail system that protects the natural heritage of the Goodwood RMT is essential to successfully and sustainably accommodate the area's anticipated increase in visitor use. Creating trail experiences within the Goodwood RMT that showcase the site's rich natural and cultural heritage will encourage visitors to branch out from RNUP and onto the interregional trail linkages which extend into popular TRCA greenspace destinations connected by these trails, such as the East Duffins Headwaters. Creating a gateway experience between RNUP and the Goodwood RMT demonstrates the ongoing partnership between TRCA and Parks Canada, as well as the community organizations that play a vital role in managing the interregional trails crossing through the Goodwood RMT.

The Goodwood RMT Trail Plan supports *Building the Living City*, TRCA's 2013-2022 Strategic Plan, including the Five-Year Update to this Plan. By **rethinking greenspace to maximize its** 

**value**, this plan capitalizes on the opportunities presented by the site's important position within the regional trail landscape. Also, by continuing to support and celebrate the trail partnership success stories with local community organizations in Durham Region, the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan **fosters sustainable citizenship**. Finally, by creating more meaningful trail experiences through interpretive elements and design features that speak to the natural and cultural heritage of the area, the Goodwood RMT can help **tell the story of the Toronto region**.

# **TRCA Trail Strategy**

The TRCA Trail Strategy provides a vision and direction for the planning, development, and management of a complete regional trail system across TRCA's jurisdiction. With RNUP classified as a Destination in the Trail Strategy, developing the Goodwood RMT as a gateway to the Park helps to facilitate this initiative.

The implementation of the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan supports the implementation of the Trail Strategy, as the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan aligns with a number of Strategic Objectives, Initiatives, and Actions identified within the Trail Strategy Action Plan:

- "Plan, develop and maintain existing and proposed trails within TRCA-owned and regulated areas in a manner consistent with TRCA's The Living City Policies" (Action A of Initiative 5.1, Ongoing Priority)
- "Continue to pursue existing funding sources and explore future funding sources to establish and maintain sustained investment in the Greater Toronto Region Trail Network" (Action C of Initiative 8.1, Ongoing Priority)
- "Study and continue to implement sustainable trail planning, design, construction and management best practices" (Action C of Initiative 4.2, Short-Term Priority)
- "Support event programming, storytelling and educational opportunities to engage all communities in celebration of our rich Indigenous and settler history" (Action C of Initiative 5.3, Short-Term Priority)
- "Partner with interested municipalities, communities, tourism agencies, private businesses and trail organizations to promote destinations. (Action A of Initiative 7.2, Short-Term Priority)
- "Offer trail monitoring and maintenance programs to volunteers to grow our network of trail stewards" (Action B of Initiative 6.1, Medium-Term Priority)

# FINANCIAL DETAILS

The total cost to implement the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan is estimated at \$1,494,000 over 9 years (adjusted for inflation from 2018 \$CAD cost estimates). A phased implementation budget has been developed for the plan and is included within **Attachment 3**. All cost estimates are preliminary and will be refined through the results of technical study, structural review of design components, and evaluation of financial capacity. Please note that \$913,000 of this estimate overlaps with the implementation budget for the Trans Canada Trail Connection – East Duffins Headwaters to Rouge National Urban Park. As the management and operation of the Goodwood RMT trail system will be undertaken by local trail volunteer organizations (ORTA, GDA), TRCA does not anticipate to incur any additional yearly operating costs as a result of the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan.

Funding to implement this Trail Plan is not currently within the allocation for trails management as part of TRCA's budget from the Region of Durham. From the total estimated cost of \$1,494,000 there is \$913,000 that overlaps with the Trans Canada Trail Connection – East Duffins Headwaters to Rouge National Urban Park cost, leaving a remaining amount of \$581,000. Therefore, the funding to implement the Trail Plan will be included on TRCA's Durham corporate

long list of unmet needs for the 2020 budget cycle.

Priorities and opportunities for implementation of the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan will also be influenced by emerging funding partnerships. The Trail Plan identifies a number of potential funding sources including grants, sponsorships, municipalities, and partnerships with local trail volunteer organizations. Staff will continue to work with project partners to prioritize and secure additional funding for the various implementation components.

# DETAILS OF WORK TO BE DONE

The successful implementation of the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan will require the efforts of TRCA and its partners.

TRCA will take the following actions:

- Circulate the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan with TRCA approval to GDA, Parks Canada, ORTA, and the Regional Watershed Alliance for information (Fall 2018)
- Circulate the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan with TRCA approval to the Township of Uxbridge and the Region of Durham for information (Fall 2018)
- Advise the CLC that the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan has received approval from the TRCA Board (Fall 2018)
- Work with TRCA Property & Risk Management Staff to secure necessary property agreements and/or acquisitions to ensure a safe trail connection to Webb Road (Winter 2019) using available funds, and or subject to obtaining funds.
- Continue to work with project partners to secure funds necessary to implement the trail plan as described in the phased implementation budget (see **Attachment 3**) (ongoing 2019).
- Work with Parks Canada to further the implementation of the Webb Road pedestrian crossing (ongoing 2019)
- Continue to collaborate with Parks Canada regarding signage, detailed pedestrian crossing design, and future parking opportunities to ensure alignment with RNUP trail planning work (ongoing 2019)

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