Parks Canada Parcs Canada

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Board of Directors
Toronto Region Conservation Authority
101 Exchange Ave, Vaughan ON, L4K 5R6

Dear Board of Directors,

Parks Canada is proud to partner with the TRCA in many aspects of establishing and operating Rouge National Urban Park, including the building of trails that will help link the park to extensive and growing trail networks throughout the Greater Toronto Region. I am pleased to submit this letter of support to recognize the TRCA's exceptional work on the Goodwood Resource Management Tract (RMT) Trail Plan, which will provide a key connection to Rouge National Urban Park at its northern boundary.

Since the TRCA's intention to partner with Parks Canada on this planning endeavour in 2016, the two organizations have collaborated on the development of this TRCA-led initiative, including a $25,000 financial contribution from Parks Canada to TRCA towards the completion of this plan, public engagement, and an engineered study led by Parks Canada to establish a safe crossing over Webb Road.

The Goodwood RMT Trail Plan recognizes the critical junction of the Goodwood Resource Management Tract in connecting Rouge National Urban Park to large areas of protected public land in the Oak Ridges Moraine and the Township of Uxbridge. The trail plan affords the opportunity to connect park trails with the Oak Ridges Trail, thus opening up a world of opportunities for visitors to explore two unique and irreplaceable features of the GTA—the park and the moraine.

I am proud to witness the successes of this project as it moves towards enhancing visitor experience services and the preservation of the landscape's ecological integrity. Please accept this letter of support for the Goodwood RMT Trail Plan project.

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Sincerely,

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