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UPDATE ON CONSERVATION INITIATIVES IN LAC-TREMBLANT-NORD



Dear citizens,

As summer approaches, we are very pleased to share the latest news on several initiatives that the municipality has been working on over the past two years; you will find more details on these initiatives in the sections below:

- Over the winter, the **municipality created a GREEN FUND** to receive donations for environmental projects in the municipality (please note that the municipality can provide tax receipts for these donations);
- At the April 12 Council meeting, we **officially adopted our Conservation plan**, the result of a rigorous and collaborative process conducted over several years in partnership with citizens, environmental organizations, and biologists. The conservation plan is available on our website at the following link: [Protected area project](#)
- We **continue to work with the Quebec government for the approval of our protected area project**, which we officially submitted as part of the call for protected area projects launched by the government last fall. Although their review process will take several years, we continue to seek a temporary freeze on the areas covered by the project.

Last fall, our municipal inspector visited several properties to examine the shorelines, as their protection is the most direct measure that citizens can take to protect our lakes. With cyanobacteria, climate change, and many other risk factors, it is important to ensure the health of our shorelines.

Following the inspections, some of you will receive a communication from our administration regarding improvements that need to be made to your shoreline to bring it into compliance with our bylaws. As always, please do not hesitate to contact the municipality for assistance or to ask questions.

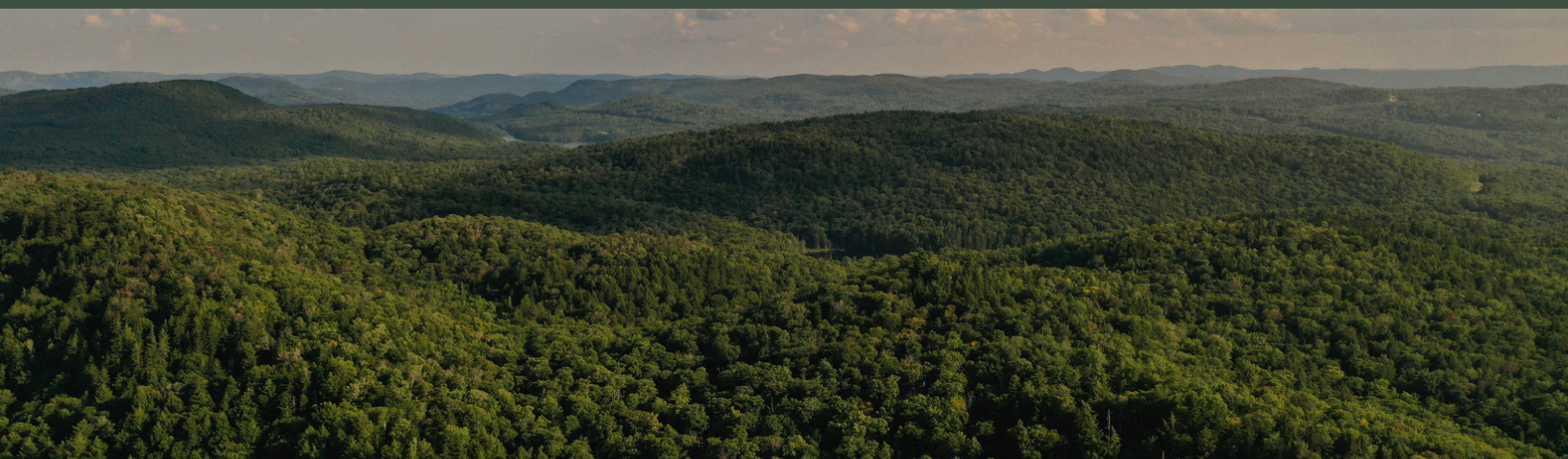
In closing, **Council is pleased to announce that the *Environment Day* will take place again this year on Saturday, June 14, 2025, at the PLTN marina** (see below for more details).

Other initiatives are also in the works (stay tuned for more details in the coming months), for the moment, we hope you will take a few minutes to read about the various initiatives in the sections below.

We wish you a beautiful spring and look forward to seeing you at our Environment Day!

Kim Meyer and your Council

ADOPTION: CONSERVATION PLAN FOR LAC-TREMBLANT-NORD'S NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS



One of the key components of the [protected area project underway in Lac-Tremblant-Nord](#) is the development of a conservation plan that aims to preserve the municipality's biodiversity & natural environments and to regulate current and future land uses so that they are consistent with the conservation vision shared by the municipality and its residents.

The municipality has therefore called on the expertise of [Éco-corridors laurentiens](#) for assistance to develop its conservation plan, which is elaborated with the financial support from the [Fondation de la faune du Québec](#).

The conservation plan is the result of a sustained citizen participation process aimed to accurately reflect the community's vision, priorities, and values in terms of conservation:

- In 2023, **two public consultations** were held to present the protected area project to our population and gather citizens' opinions on the municipality's environmental challenges;
- In 2024, **two participatory workshops with citizens** were held, in collaboration with the applied biology firm *Caltha* and *Éco-corridors laurentiens*, promoting constructive dialogue on conservation priorities;
- A **survey conducted in October 2024 among citizens** enriched this process by gathering comments from the population on the municipal vision, the natural environments to be preserved, and the specific conservation issues in the area.

In light of these steps and the feedback received, a conservation plan representative of citizens' expectations was finalized in March 2025 and adopted at the April 12 Council meeting.

[The document is now available on the municipality's website](#) and will be presented to citizens later this year, while several actions identified in the plan are already underway and/or will be launched shortly.

This plan demonstrates the municipality's leadership in environmental protection and is a source of great pride, particularly because of the mobilization and active participation of citizens in providing Lac-Tremblant-Nord with a structuring tool for the protection of its territory.

The municipality would like to sincerely thank all citizens whose involvement, reflection, and ongoing commitment have greatly enriched this collective effort and contributed to the creation of a promising conservation plan for the future of our territory.



CREATION OF THE LAC-TREMBLANT-NORD GREEN FUND

In keeping with its efforts to protect the environment, the municipality has taken a new step forward by creating a Green Fund, a **structuring tool to support local sustainable development initiatives**.

This fund is an account dedicated to **financing environmental projects** in Lac-Tremblant-Nord and will also benefit neighbouring municipalities.

Created in recognition of the environmental initiatives carried out in recent years, the Green Fund will **centralize donations from citizens** and other financial contributions to support concrete actions in the areas of conservation and sustainable development.

As a charitable organization recognized by the Canada Revenue Agency, the municipality will be able to better structure and manage these resources to encourage the implementation of local environmental initiatives.

Please note that all donations to the Green Fund are eligible for an official tax receipt issued by the municipality as a recognized charitable organization.

With this new initiative, Lac-Tremblant-Nord reaffirms its long-term commitment of protecting the environment and promoting active citizen participation in its conservation efforts.

UPDATE – PROTECTED AREA PROJECT IN LAC-TREMBLANT-NORD

As you are probably already aware, the municipality has joined forces with *Les Amis de Lac-Tremblant-Nord*, [Éco-corridors laurentiens](#), and [SNAP Québec](#) to launch a project aimed at creating a protected area and strengthening an ecological corridor on our public land.

With strategic guidance and financial support from SNAP Québec, this project aims to **protect biodiversity and preserve the integrity of our municipality's ecosystems and landscapes**.

As part of this project, Lac-Tremblant-Nord wishes to have **all public lands located west of its territory recognized as a protected area**, more specifically as a **biodiversity reserve**.

This designation would not only increase the amount of protected land but also enhance its level of protection.

These public lands, which occupy a large part of the territory, contribute to the natural and wild identity of Lac-Tremblant-Nord, and it is with this in mind that the project aims to ensure their long-term protection, in order to preserve our environment for the benefit of future generations.

The combined actions under the project would result in a gain of 2.81 km² of protected land, equivalent to 10.1% of the municipality's territory, and ultimately 72.4% of the territory of Lac-Tremblant-Nord would be protected.

All documentation concerning the conservation project is available on [our website](#).



GOVERNMENT CALL FOR PROTECTED AREA PROJECTS: SUBMISSION OF THE LAC-TREMBLANT-NORD PROJECT

Since March 2023, the municipality has been actively working to have its protected area project recognized by the Ministry of the Environment. As part of its strategy to protect 30% of Quebec's territory by 2030, the Quebec government launched the « *Faites votre marque* » call for projects to support concrete initiatives to create new protected areas across the province.

To this end, we are proud to announce that in October 2024, our protected area project proposal was officially submitted as part of this call for projects.

The project incorporates the recommendations of our partners, ecological data collected on our territory, and comments from citizens regarding the municipality's conservation vision.

Throughout 2025, the Quebec government will analyze the projects submitted in order to select the projects that best meet the government's conservation objectives.

Subsequently, the **administrative procedures** to formalize the protection status of the selected areas **will take place in 2026 and 2027**, with support offered to project managers for the implementation of the initiatives put forward.

Since the beginning of the protected area project, your ongoing support has confirmed that this initiative is in line with our community's environmental values and embodies a shared vision for the sustainable protection of our territory.

We would like to thank our citizens for their cooperation and support throughout this process. We will continue to keep everyone informed of the next steps and developments regarding the project.

ENVIRONMENT DAY – SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025 (PLTN MARINA)

In keeping with previous editions and true to our commitment to protecting the environment and biodiversity, we are pleased to invite everyone to the 4th edition of our *Environment Day*, which will be held on **Saturday, June 14, 2025, from 10 AM to 2 PM at the PLTN marina.**

The event will begin in the morning at 10 AM with a series of presentations at the PLTN guardian's house, including an update on municipal environmental initiatives, the results of biological studies conducted over the past two years on our territory, and a conference by *Éco-corridors laurentiens* on ecological connectivity and voluntary conservation options for property owners.

Following the presentations, around noon, interactive kiosks will be available outside, addressing various topics such as light pollution, natural environment protection, shorelines, invasive species, and gardening in Lac-Tremblant-Nord.

A free BBQ provided by the municipality will also be offered to citizens on site to continue the discussions in a friendly atmosphere.

More details will be provided closer to the event. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

