

Fixing the Hwy20 Stormwater Management Pond Outlet Erosion Causing Property and Habitat Damage Above Twelve Mile Creek in Fonthill

Presentation to Mayor and Council of the Town of Pelham, March 7, 2022



# Objective for tonight.

A motion by Council to allocate the \$70K approved for the design phase to Trout Unlimited Canada's Niagara Chapter to deliver the Design Engineering plan to fix the Rice Road SWMP outlet erosion problem.



#### **Trout Unlimited Canada**

Trout Unlimited Canada is a registered Canadian charitable organization. Our mission is to conserve, protect and restore Canada's freshwater ecosystems and their coldwater resources for current and future generations. Our work is guided by science and research and fueled by the unending passion of our volunteers and professional staff.



#### Trout Unlimited Canada - Niagara Chapter

The Niagara Chapter of Trout Unlimited Canada is a conservation organization made up of volunteers who care about the last remaining cold water aquatic system in Niagara: Twelve Mile Creek. With our partners, we are working to preserve, protect, and enhance the Twelve for this and future generations.



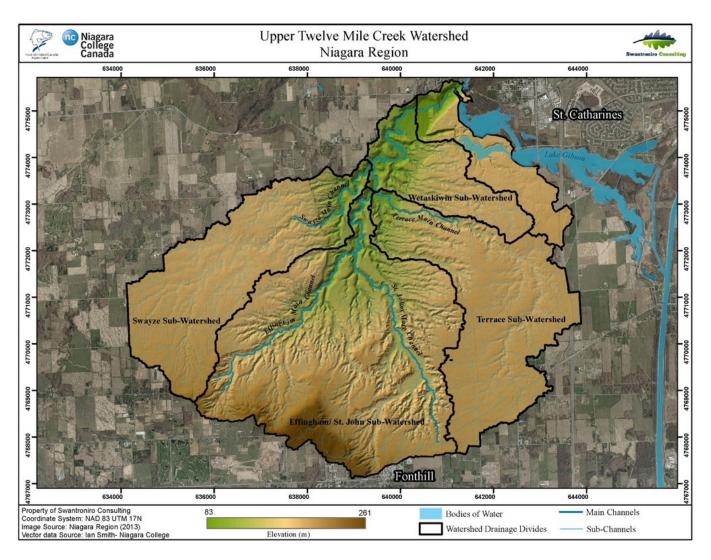
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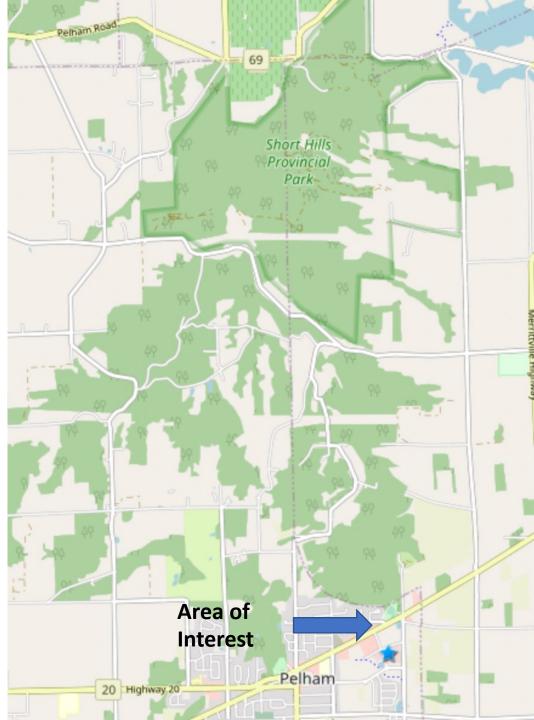
We are celebrating ten years of successful stream restoration projects in the Upper Twelve Mile Creek watershed.

Working in partnership with the Town of Pelham, Niagara Region, MNRF, DFO, NEC and NPCA and private landowners.



#### The Upper Twelve Mile Creek Watershed is Niagara's "most significant watershed".







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Close up of the stormwater pond outlet at Hwy20 showing erosion of the bank below the Pelham Cares building.

# Impact of excessive flows



- Scouring, erosion and property loss
- Sediment conveyed downstream into the watershed
- Destruction of vegetation, tree cover
- Damage to aquatic habitat
- Flood damage to properties downstream
- Damage from excess water flows will continue caused by unique weather events (climate change) and any additional development (hard surfaces) upstream





Erosion Control Design Option : Step Pools

Stormwater step pools are often used for drainage areas to safely convey stormwater down a steep slope, gulley, or ravine while minimizing scour and channel erosion potential.





## Moving toward a solution Phase One: Design Engineering Phase Two: Fund Raising Phase Three: Approvals and Construction Phase Four: Beautification



# Phase One: Design-engineering:





Water's Edge provides fluvial geomorphology, natural channel design, and water resources engineering consulting to municipal clients such as the Town of Pelham.

Senior staff under president Ed Gazendam has completed numerous stream restoration projects, ranging from full-scale design projects on large river systems to Class Environmental Assessments, baseline studies, and monitoring.

Waters Edge has agreed to provide a design engineering plan within the \$70K budget.





# Oversight

Regular reviews at every project milestone by a working group consisting of representatives from:

The Town of Pelham The NPCA TUC National TUC Niagara Chapter (Chair)





#### It's time for action.

