

Ontario Wilderness

Some Things Should Last Forever

2004 /2005 Overview

CPAWS Wildlands League

Draft



Introduction

In early 2004 we completed strategic planning. The result: reinvigorated programs for conservation.

Success

- A new Parks and Conservation Reserves Act introduced into the legislature in 2005
- Progress on the protection of approximately 9 million hectares of deferred forestry lands within FSC certificates.
- Nine First Nations declare a temporary moratorium on over 8 million ha of their lands.
- Ten environmental groups support the need for a conservation land use planning framework.
- Almost 50,000 ha of parks land freed from mining claims
- Education and outreach programs directly delivered to thousands in the province.

Vision

An unspoiled legacy of wilderness in Ontario, with all of its precious values: Biological diversity, crystal clean lakes, pristine forests, rushing rivers, sage-sweet grasslands and healthy ecosystems and communities.

Our Mission

We are advocates for large wilderness landscapes – the foundation for wilderness and the core of biodiversity.

About Us

Our work is rooted in science and infused with passion. Since 1968, we have protected nature on over 10 million hectares of Ontario's wilderness. Thousands of members of CPAWS Wildlands League are investing in a legacy for Ontario's wilderness.

Our work has
led to the
protection or
enhancement
of 10 million
hectares of
wilderness.

Janet Sumner
Executive Director



Conservation

Our work is organized in the following programs:

1. Protecting the Land: Places Where Biodiversity Thrives – Reflect in legislation, policy, and management a modern view of the importance of protected areas, enshrining ecological integrity as the governing principle. Expand full protection to all parks and protected areas, creating a network of protection in Ontario that anchors biodiversity and creates lasting wilderness areas.
2. Sustainable Forests: Making Sustainability Real by lightening the industrial footprint. Specifically we work on advancing more sustainable logging, mining and hydro development and transportation.
3. Land Use Planning: Winning the future – conservation based land use planning to deliver conservation outcomes, community economic long-term sustainability and provide a guiding framework for development. It starts with nature and ensures lasting survival in the untouched landscape.

Boreal Campaign

Protect more than half of the boreal forest and sustainably manage the industrial footprint on the remaining land.

Our programs combine their strategies for conservation of the boreal forest. The goal is to keep the ecosystem intact, by delivering a sea of protection for wilderness, with industrial development limited to islands of development and sustainably managed.

New

In 2005 we launched two new campaigns.

Endangered Species Legislation: Working as part of the Save Ontario Species (SOS) coalition we are championing the need for updated endangered species legislation.

Caribou: Ensure the survival woodland caribou by advancing the need for large protected areas to stem the extirpation. Caribou are an indicator of overall boreal forest ecosystem health. Caribou will also be protected in a more progressive Endangered Species Act.



Over the next few years, we will save, protect and enhance Ontario's wilderness. Our goals are to:

1. Keep the boreal forest intact.
2. Complete the Protected Areas System.
3. Ensure ecological integrity in parks is maintained.
4. Prevent abusive industrial practices; and make industrial sustainability real.
5. Secure survival strategies for large species, such as caribou.
6. Complete land use planning before development proceeds into pristine wilderness.

Partnerships

In addition to the traditional conservation community success will only come with other voices at our side, and we make it a priority to build partnerships and reach out to First Nations, progressive industry leaders, northern and remote communities, and forward thinking governments, to name a few of the most important.

The idea of wilderness needs no defense. It only needs more defenders.

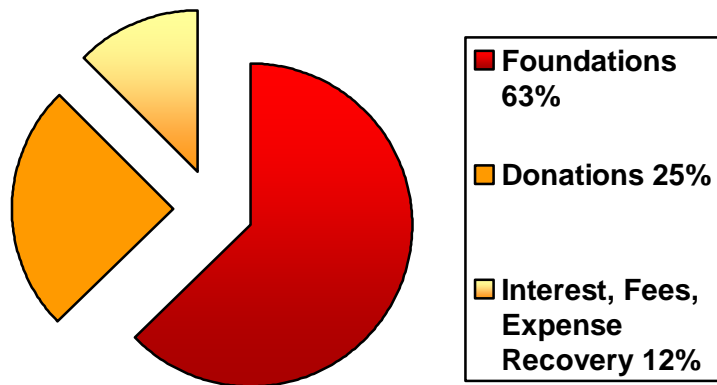
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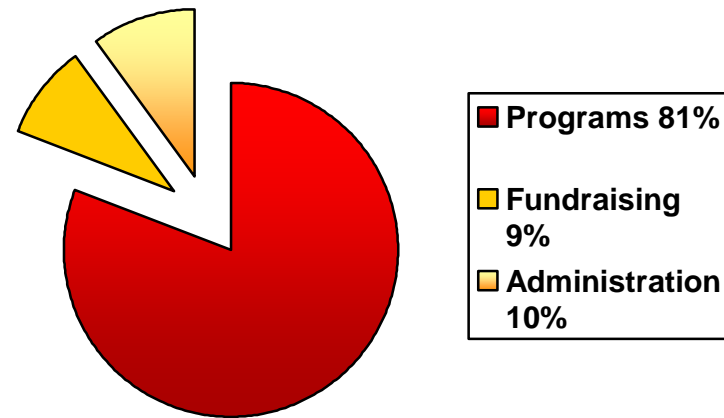
Financials

Statement of Operations and Changes in Unrestricted net Assets as at March 31, 2006

REVENUE



EXPENSES



REVENUE

Foundations, corporate and other program grants	515,122
Donations and donated Materials	202,178
Interest and other income	18,722
Capital contributions	801



Fee for service	1,712
Recovery of expenses	82,179
	820,714

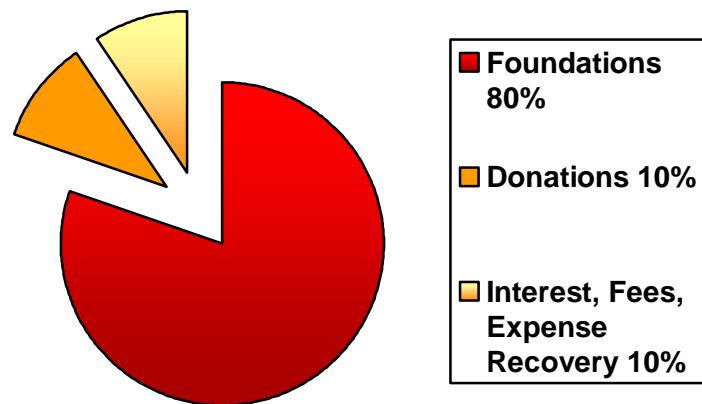
EXPENDITURES

Parks	107,105
Forests	195,967
Land Use Planning	279,236
Education	801
Fundraising	66,598
Administration	71,182
	721,389
Excess (deficiency)	99,325
Unrestricted net assets, beginning of period	64,847
Unrestricted net assets, end of period	164,172

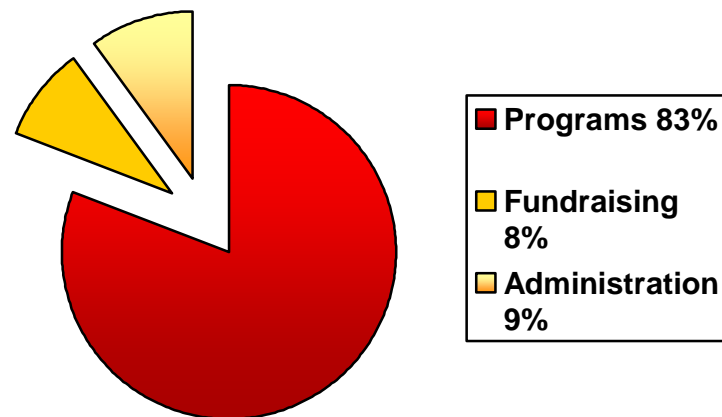


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Foundations, corporate and other program grants	701,961
Donations and donated Materials	89,288
Interest and other income	11,853
Capital contributions	801
Fee for service	3,814
Recovery of expenses	67,050
	874,767

EXPENDITURES

Parks	114,713
Forests	207,345
Land Use Planning	391,163
Education	801
Fundraising	45,687
Administration	104,588
	864,297
Excess (deficiency)	10,470
Unrestricted net assets, beginning of period	54,377
Unrestricted net assets, end of period	64,847



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