

**Dundas Valley  
50-Year Vision  
and Strategy |  
2008-2058**

**A community  
oriented  
strategy with a  
focus on  
preserving and  
enhancing the  
unique, culture,  
charm, and  
environment of  
the Dundas  
Valley area.**

## **Protect and Enhance Dundas Valley Lands**

**Goals: Promote sustainable  
passive recreational opportunities  
within the Valley's green spaces  
and**

**Protect and enhance the valley's  
ecology and natural areas**

## **Enhancing the Economic Sustainability and Vibrancy of Dundas Valley Communities**

**Goal: Promote sustainable  
tourism in the Valley**



## **Strategic Direction**

- **Develop management plan for increased visitors; reduce their impact on natural areas**

*This is taken from three of the original strategic directions which state:*

**Encourage passive recreation within the Valley and provide opportunities for exercise**

**And**

**Reduce the impact of increasing numbers of visitors to the natural areas over time**

**And**

**Develop management plan for increased number of visitors**

## **Actions**

- **Prepare Passive Recreation Management and Use Plan for the Valley that includes (passive uses are those uses that are compatible with the unstructured, natural environment)**
- **Provide linkages/connectivity to Dundas Valley and surrounding areas at key points, increase access**
- **Consider alternative uses for rail trail, including promoting off road, electric bike commuting**
- **Manage conflicting uses through the development of recreational use policy**
- **Identify sustainability of the Valley for passive recreational use - manage use of recreation areas as population/user numbers increase**
- **Maintain existing recreation areas (e.g. Warren Park, Spring Creek Trail)**

## **Actions continued**

- **Promote active healthy living (HCA slogan is Healthy Streams....Healthy Communities)**
- **Preserve integrity and standard of trails, ensure and enhance access and improve linkages (e.g. Bruce Trail)**
- **Support the Bruce Trail Conservancy**
- **Develop guided tours for those with mobility challenges/provide more accessibility for seniors**
- **Prevent damage created by bicycles on the trail hills**
- **Look into acquisition of additional lands to mitigate impact of increasing numbers of visitors**
- **Develop education plan to expand public awareness of impacts of visitors**
- **Develop a strategy to identify and predict the potential impact of increasing numbers of visitors (recommend maximum capacity to sustain)**
- **Develop management plans**

For the Dundas Valley 50-Year Vision and Strategy to be realized and its actions fulfilled the community needs to take on a leadership role.

## **Notes**