

**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