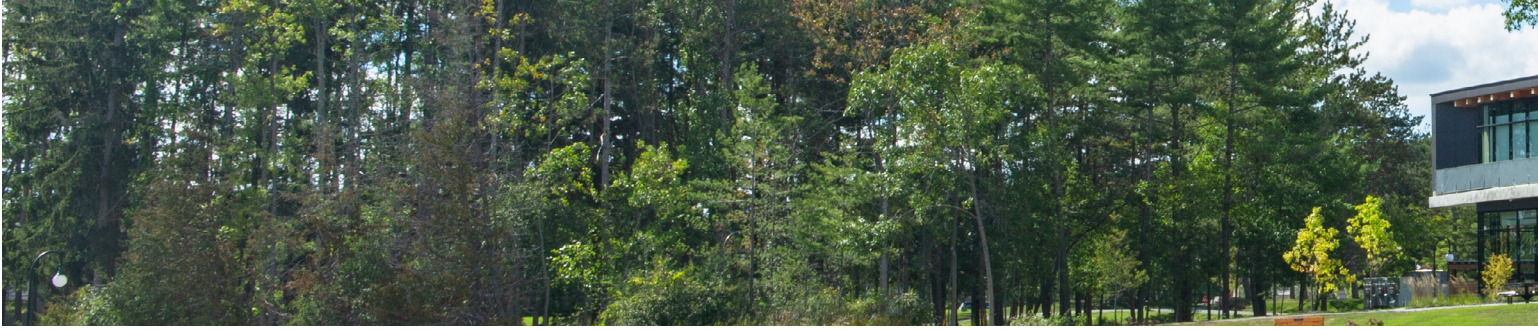


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A Trent-Specific Approach

The TLNAP has been developed as a Trent-specific approach to addressing the priorities and needs of the University, its communities, and the natural systems of which we are a part. These priorities and needs were identified throughout the creation of the TLNAP through various phases of engagement and study, and they will continue to evolve over time. At the time of the creation of this Plan, the main priorities and responsibilities it sought to address include:

- » Caring for and stewarding the campus lands (including the Trent Nature Areas) to create a thriving campus for people and the environment;
- » Supporting the University's academic mission by securing space for current and future students, and ensuring a sustainable financial future;
- » Demonstrating leadership by addressing the most pressing issues of our region, including housing, employment, and food security, and contributing to the region's economic recovery;
- » Advancing reconciliation through a commitment to ongoing collaboration with the Michi Saagiig First Nations, and the inclusion of new spaces for Indigenous teachings and ceremony, and placemaking that honours and incorporates Indigenous Traditional Knowledge (ITK); and
- » Engaging with the University's diverse communities and, where appropriate, creating space for meaningful involvement and collaboration.



17.1 Who's Involved?

The 2021 TLNAP has been prepared as a concise framework-level document which sets out a structure for overall management of the Trent lands and Nature Areas. To be successful, stewardship of the campus lands must be driven and championed by Trent. Coordination and communication between the University and the campus and broader community are also an integral part of the campus planning process.

Trent University Leadership and Governance

Senior Administration at Trent is responsible for the management of the University, operating within the policies and plans of the governing bodies, and consists of:

- » The Senate: responsible for the educational policy of the University; and
- » The Board of Governors: responsible for the management and control of the University and its property, revenues, expenditures, business, and affairs.



The Trent Lands and Nature Areas Plan largely falls within the jurisdiction of the Board of Governors.

The University Board of Governors is the approval body, through which decisions about the land are made. The Board ensures that early decisions around site and program selection reflect the campus and community vision and priorities, and are grounded in a preliminary understanding of the existing conditions on the land, campus and community needs, and the University's commitment to stewardship and caring for the land and environment.

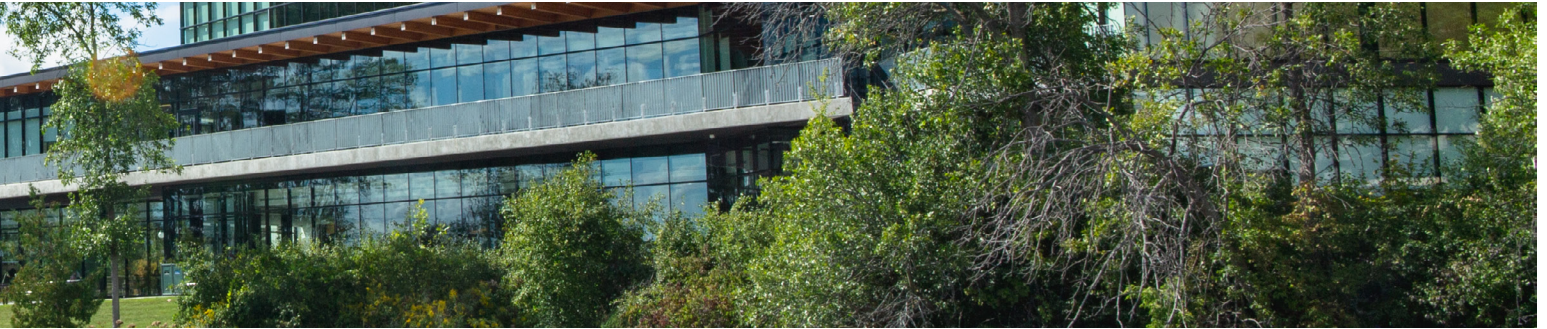
The decisions made by the Board of Governors are informed by the work and recommendations of:

Finance and Property Committee is responsible for the overall monitoring of campus capital building programs, stewardship of natural and cultural heritage assets, and makes recommendations to the Board of Governors for the approval or revisions to the Trent Lands and Nature Area Plan.

Trent Lands Committee is responsible for oversight and guidance of any development projects to ensure they are consistent with the approved Trent Lands and Nature Areas Plan.

Campus: Students, Faculty, and Staff

The campus community will be engaged in the planning and implementation of various University initiatives. For example, the visioning and creation of the Seniors Village will involve the Trent Centre for Aging and Society, Trent Fleming School of Nursing, and other programs to maximize the potential for research, collaboration, and student experiential learning.



The implementation of the Nature Areas Stewardship Plan offers many opportunities for research and hands-on experience in conducting field studies, implementing enhancement and restoration projects, and long-term monitoring. Advanced planning will be required to allow for the incorporation of these projects into coursework.

Nature Areas Stewardship Advisory Committee

provides advice on the management of the Trent Nature Areas to support implementation of the Nature Areas Stewardship Plan. Working with staff from Facilities, Sustainability, and Community Relations offices, the committee will play a key role in reviewing studies and recommendations about targets and actions to implement the plan.

Environmental Advisory Board is currently reviewing its terms of reference to provide clarity on its scope. Considerations include a broader focus on sustainability initiatives across campus, and support for evaluation of nature inclusive designs and strategies for the built environment.

First Nations and Indigenous People

The commitment to meaningful engagement, collaboration, and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples is a core commitment within the TLNAP. Central to this Plan are these key principles developed to incorporate the collective Anishinaabeg Nibwaakaawin (wisdom) of Michi Saagiig First Nations, Indigenous students, faculty, and staff (refer to Section 3.2, page 37 of the TLNAP).

The Trent Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers Council has representation from the local Michi Saagiig communities and guides the University on cultural matters. As Trent is home to students, staff, and faculty from many different nations, including many First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities, knowledge holders from other nations may be included in Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers Council meetings, depending on the nature of the guidance requested by the University.

The Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers Council provided valuable advice throughout the creation of the Trent Lands and Nature Areas Plan, and Trent will benefit from their valued and continued advice through implementation of the Plan. Trent will broaden its Indigenous Traditional Knowledge (ITK) base by encouraging more Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers to become involved in ITK updates and site-specific studies.

The Michi Saagiig Consultation Liaisons are the primary forum for dialogue with First Nations on the actions arising from this Plan. Regular meetings have been established to permit timely and responsive involvement throughout each stage of visioning, planning, implementation, and monitoring.

Regulatory and Approval Agencies and Authorities

This includes the City of Peterborough, Otonabee Conservation, the County of Peterborough, surrounding townships, ministries, and utility providers (e.g. Hydro One). Trent will work with these agencies to understand local and regional implications, identify and/or confirm feasibility of opportunities, and ensure compliance with policy and regulatory or operational provisions.

Implementation Partners

This includes parties who may partner with the University to bring expertise and resources to advance initiatives within the TLNAP. For example, the University has partnered with the City of Peterborough to create the Cleantech Commons. In general, Trent does not intend to be the developer for the initiatives that arise from this Plan, and will seek partners who have a track-record in sustainable and green development, and are committed to meeting the targets and standards set out in the TLNAP and any Board approved, subsequent studies (e.g. the System-Level Plan).

Community and Local Organizations

The community will be engaged at key points in realizing this Plan by providing input at the visioning and design stage, reviewing and commenting on draft plans, or collaborating to deliver initiatives. Efforts will be made to engage proactively with potential partners to achieve the goals set out for accessibility, nature-inclusive design, age-friendly infrastructure, and stewardship of the environment. Groups such as the Peterborough Pollinators, Field Naturalists, Green-Up, Age-Friendly Peterborough, Peterborough Bicycle Advisory Committee, and Camp Kawartha have provided valuable input to the TLNAP, and engaging them in advancing initiatives will have multiple benefits.