La Cloche Provincial Park

Interim Management Statement

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Background Information

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Targets

**Earth Science Representation:**

- surficial geology: provincially significant glacial spillway lag deposits (c. 6000 yrs BP)

**Life Science Representation:**

- warmer / rock / very dry: rock and lichen carpet
- normal / sand / dry: sand
- colder / organic / wet: black spruce bog
- normal / rock / very dry: lichen carpet
- colder / organic / very wet: graminoid fen to low shrub fen
- normal / rock / dry: white, red and jack pine
- warmer / rock / dry: red oak
- cold / mesic / loam: sugar maple, beech and hemlock
- normal / dry / sand: red maple
- normal / wet mesic / organic: white cedar / white spruce / white birch / alder

**Cultural Resources Representation:**

- research has documented a variety of cultural heritage sites

**Recreation Opportunities:**

- viewing; walking; photography; and, camping is available on adjacent land

Inventories

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Figure 1: La Cloche Provincial Park
Management Guidelines

Interim management statements identify: park values; guidelines to protect those values; and, restrictions on use.

Land Tenure

La Cloche Provincial Park was established in 1985. It contains 7448 ha of land and water on the north shore of Lake Huron (Figure 1).

There are several private properties surrounded by the park boundary. These are not part of La Cloche Provincial Park:

- 5 cottage lots, and
- 5 mining properties.

There are no land use permits within the park.

Guidelines:
All patented land will continue. No additional Crown land will be sold within the park. Should the mining lease revert to the Crown, these lands would come under park regulation.

Existing and Proposed Development

The park is 20 kilometres south of Highway 17 on the North Channel of Lake Huron. There are no park facilities. The existing buildings were used for as a Junior Ranger Camp for a number of years. One building was built as part of a tourist lodge which operated here prior to Crown purchase of the land. Electrical power is provided from power lines entering the park on the west side. Two small dams exist on La Cloche Creek. Boats are launched in the lower La Cloche Creek.

Guidelines:
The existing road will provide access to the development on La Cloche Creek. Provincial park access needs will be evaluated through park management planning. The function of the lodge location will be evaluated during park management planning to determine management needs. Boat launching on Lake Huron will also be evaluated.

The existing grass lawn terrace and lilac shrubs in the area between the main building and La Cloche Creek, are of cultural resource value. A maintenance plan will be prepared to establish plots within the lawn for the lilacs to grow as flowering shrubs.

Recreation Activities

A variety of recreation uses occur in the park: boating, canoeing, sport fishing, hunting, hiking, day use, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, and wildlife viewing.

Guidelines:
The above recreation uses will continue. Appropriate regulations will apply (e.g. Provincial Parks Act, Historic Sites Act, Public Lands Act, Game and Fish Act, etc.). Car camping is not permitted. Recreational uses will be evaluated as part of collection of background information for management planning. Snowmobile routes will not be designated in the park. A hiking trail following the La Cloche range through the park will continue.

Commercial Activities

There is one commercial fishing licence for the water on Lake Huron within the park. The park is within Trapline EP27.

Guidelines:
Commercial fishing will continue as per existing licences and will be reviewed at the time of management planning. Commercial trapping will be phased out for that portion of Trapline EP27 within the park consistent with Provincial Park Policy Implementation Details (1989) by 2010.

Timber, mineral, or aggregate extraction for commercial purposes is not permitted.

Natural and Cultural Resources

The park contains a variety of natural and cultural resources of provincial significance:

- La Cloche Mountains;
- Lake Huron North Channel sholeline;
- offshore islands;
- La Cloche Creek outlet;
- archaeological and historical resources associated with pre-contract people’s habitation and use, and early Canadians of the fur trade era; and,
- wildlife (e.g. White-tailed deer yarding).

Guidelines:
Research will identify the features on the property to represent the natural and cultural resources. New development or alterations to existing developments will not proceed until these resources are more fully evaluated. Archaeological and historic features will not be removed or altered (e.g. old foundations).
The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources will maintain communications with the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Communications over the research and management of archaeological and historical resources.

The lilac shrubs growing in the lawn between the J.R. Camp and La Cloche Creek are the living stock of shrubs that were given to a fur trade factor by the Crown of England in the 1700's. They will be protected. Grounds maintenance practices will enhance the growth of these plants by setting aside plots within the lawn where lilacs will not be cut. They will be maintained as full flowering shrubs re-establishing their regal role as in the factor's yard of the 1700's.

Visitor Services

Information is provided to the public through a provincial park fact sheet.

Guidelines:
The existing fact sheet will continue to be available in the Sudbury District Office, the Central Region, or Main Office.

Research

There is ongoing interest in archaeological and historical resources' research by the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Communications.

Guidelines:
Research of any kind is permitted subject to the Provincial Parks Research Policy (Appendix 1).

Marketing

There are no developed facilities and as such La Cloche Provincial Park is not being marketed for use.

References

The following lists all material cited in the Interim Management Statements (IMS), as well as other relevant sources of information on the park such as District Land Use Guidelines, inventory reports, check-sheets, etc.

Noelville and Verner: Topographic Map Series, 1:50,000 Sheets 41 I/1 and 41 I/8.


Noble, T.W. 1991. Reconnaissance Inventory of the northern portion of the Northern Deciduous Evergreen Forest. Site Region 5E.


Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, 19. Ontario Basic Mapping Sheet No. 17 20 6800 58100


Forest Resource Inventory Maps - Mowat and Haddo Townships
Appendix 1

Ontario Provincial Parks
Research Policy and Application
Purpose: To encourage contributions to provincial park objectives through research by;

- providing overall direction for research activities associated with provincial parks.
- establishing guidelines and review/approval processes which facilitate appropriate research by external researchers in provincial parks and which ensure review of research activities which could impact on park resources and values.

Definition: Research means any investigations or studies of natural, cultural, social, economic, management, or other features or characteristics of provincial parks.

Policy: Research activities will be encouraged through a variety of means to help provide a better understanding of park environments and to contribute to appropriate management practices and actions.

The provincial park management plan will define overall research interests for the park and, will establish the need for a research plan to address key research issues for parks with substantial research interests and activities.

The management plan will also address the need for specific arrangements, facilities or management to provide improved opportunities for research activities, or to ensure that research activities do not adversely affect park resources. Such details will be specified in a research plan where warranted.

Research needs and priorities will be reviewed periodically for individual provincial parks and for the provincial parks program and summaries will be compiled and made available to interested researchers.

Each applicant must submit a completed application form as prescribed in Appendix A to the appropriate District Manager.
Research in a provincial park must have the approval of the Regional Director with the exception of extension of previously approved projects and minor research projects which can be approved by the District Manager. For minor research projects which include a number of parks, approval may be granted by the Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch.

A research project is considered "minor" where limited to:

- brief observation visits involving no environmental disturbances, no visitor contacts nor collection of specimens.

Research projects, in provincial parks will be reviewed by the Park Superintendent and District Manager prior to being undertaken. A research application must be completed for:

- any research project proposed by researchers outside MNR
- any project proposed by MNR staff which has potential for adverse effects on park resources or visitors.

Approval in writing for the application must be obtained prior to the project being undertaken.

The District Manager may suspend or revoke permission at any time for failure on the part of the researcher to meet:

1. The intent or conditions of this policy.
2. The requirements under the Provincial Parks Act and Regulations, including all amendments, where applicable.
3. The requirements under any other Act and Regulations, Canada or Ontario including amendments such as those governing the taking, handling, storing, confining, trapping, excavating, and marketing of any specimen, artifact, information or action (for example, scientific collectors’ permit).
4. The conditions and agreements specified in granting permission.

Permission granted under this policy will be valid for a period not exceeding 12 consecutive months from date of issue. The District Manager may grant permission to continue a research project for additional periods of 12 months or less upon submission of a written request and progress report, provided that the intent, goals and objectives of the project have not been changed.
A person or persons seeking permission under this policy will complete an application supplied by the District Manager and will provide such other information which may be requested.

The application will include a statement as to why the proposed research should be undertaken in the particular provincial park in preference to some other location.

The District Manager may require the posting of collateral, to assure that the terms and conditions of the agreement are met.

All specimens, artifacts, materials and information collected remain the property of Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the provincial park in which they are collected (unless assigned to an appropriate repository by the District Manager) and are subject to the requirements under Acts and Regulations for Canada and Ontario and the conditions specified in granting permission.

The researcher(s) must submit a final report to the District Manager within two years of the completion of the report.

The researcher(s) will provide the District Manager one copy of all reports, publications, theses, etc., produced as a result of the research. The District Manager will forward a copy of all reports, publications and theses to the Regional Director and if requested, to the Director of Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch.

For projects extending over a number of parks, the Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch will forward a copy of reports, publications and theses to Regional Directors involved.

The District Manager will assure that the rights, privileges, privacy and enjoyment of all park users are not unduly infringed upon during the course of the research activities.

The District Manager will provide all workers on a research project with a letter or means of identification to be carried by each and every worker when engaged in work related to the project.

Special requests for the use of equipment, for accommodation, or for staff assistance will be considered by the District Manager on the basis of their merit and the feasibility of providing such assistance. Reimbursement for such assistance may be required from the researcher.

**REMARQUE:** Cette police est également disponible en français.
Responsibility

A) New Proposals:

District Manager 1. Receives application.
   Reviews project with Park Superintendent(s).
   Forwards a copy of the application along with recommen­
dations to the Regional Director and to the Director of Parks
and Natural Heritage Policy Branch.

Regional Director 2. Receives application and recommendations from District
   Manager.
   Reviews project.

Director, Parks
and Natural Heritage
Policy Branch 3. Receives application and provides any
   comments to the Regional Director within
   two weeks.

Regional Director 4. Approves or rejects the application upon receiving response
   from Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch.

District Manager 5. Notifies applicant of the decision in writing.
   If approved, states any conditions and restrictions.
   Advises Park Superintendent(s) that permission has been
   granted and provides names of the researcher(s) and the means
   of identification to be used.

   6. Requests final report and provides copy to Regional Director.

B) Extension of
   Previously Approved
   Proposals/Minor
   Research Projects:

District Manager 1. Receives application, reviews project with Park Superin­
tendent(s).
   Approves or rejects the application.
   Provides copies of the proposal to Regional Director and
   Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch, with
   notification of action taken.
2. Notifies applicant of the decision in writing. If approved, states any conditions and restrictions. Advises Park Superintendent(s) that permission has been granted and provides names of the researcher(s) and the means of identification to be used.

3. Requests final report and provides copy to Regional Director, and if requested, to Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch.

C) Research Projects including a number of parks.

Minor Research Projects:

Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch

1. Receives application and reviews project; approves or rejects the application and notifies Regional Directors involved.

2. Notifies applicant of the decision in writing.

3. Requests final report and provides copy to Regional Directors involved.

Regional Directors


District Managers

5. Notify Park Superintendents involved.

D) Other Research Proposals:

Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch

1. Receives application, reviews project.

2. Requests review by Regional Directors involved.


4. Notifies applicant in writing. If approved, states any conditions and restrictions.

5. Requests final report and provides copy to Regional Directors involved.

Regional Directors

6. Co-ordinate review as in point A, new proposals.
APPENDIX A

MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES

APPLICATION TO CONDUCT RESEARCH IN
ONTARIO PROVINCIAL PARKS

MINISTÈRE DES RICHESSES NATURELLES

DEMANDE D'APPROBATION D'UN PROJET DE RECHERCHE DANS LES PARCS PROVINCIAUX DE L'ONTARIO

Note to Applicants: The Ministry of Natural Resources usually requires a period of up to two months for review and approval of this application.

Research means any investigations or studies of natural, cultural, social, economic, management or other features or characteristics which involve field investigations.

If more space is required to complete any of the following sections, please attach additional sheets.

Personal information submitted on this form is collected under the authority of the Provincial Parks Act R.S.O. 1980, C401, and will be used for administrative purposes. Questions about the collection of this information should be directed to the Director, Parks and Natural Heritage Policy Branch.

Note aux auteurs Il faut environ deux mois au ministère des Richesses naturelles pour étudier et approuver une demande.

Par recherche, on entend toute enquête ou étude portant sur les aspects naturels, culturels, sociaux, économiques, sur la gestion ou autres caractéristiques qui comprennent des études sur place.

Si vous manquez d'espace pour répondre aux rubriques suivantes, veuillez joindre des feuilles supplémentaires.

Les renseignements personnels donnés dans le présent formulaire sont recueillis en vertu de la Loi sur les parc provinciaux, L.R.O. 1980, chap. 401, et serviront à des fins administratives. Les questions relatives à la collecte de ces renseignements doivent être adressées au directeur de la Direction des parcs et des politiques sur le patrimoine naturel.
Name of Applicant: ___________________________
Nom de l'auteur de la demande:

Affiliation: (school, college, university, government agency, company, etc.).
Affiliation: (école, collège, université, organisme gouvernemental, compagnie, etc.).

Address: Business ___________________________
Adresse: Travail ___________________________

Postal code Telephone _______________________
Code postal Téléphone _______________________

Home Domicile _____________________________

Postal code Telephone _______________________
Code postal Téléphone _______________________

Title of Research Project: ______________________
Titre du projet de recherche: ______________________

Location: (provincial park(s) in which research will take place)
Emplacement : (parc provincial ou parcs provinciaux dans lequel ou lesquels les recherches s'effectueront)

State in detail the objectives of the project, its value and necessity and relationship to other projects. Include reasons why the proposed study should be undertaken in the particular provincial park(s) as opposed to some other location. Attach research/thesis proposal if available.
Donnez le détail des objectifs du projet, de sa valeur, de sa nécessité et du rapport qui existe avec d'autres projets. Énoncez les raisons pour lesquelles l'étude proposée devrait être entreprise dans le ou les parcs provinciaux visés plutôt que dans un autre emplacement. Veuillez joindre le projet de recherche ou de thèse, s'il est disponible.
Provide a general outline of the research to be carried out.
Énoncez les grandes lignes du projet de recherche devant être entrepris.

Identify the procedures and equipment to be used and any potential impact on the park environment.
Identifiez les méthodes et le matériel devant être utilisés et toute retombée éventuelle qu’ils auront sur l’environnement du parc.

State the time frame within which the field activities will be carried out in the provincial park(s). Be specific.
Présentez l’échéancier des travaux de recherche devant être effectués dans le ou les parcs provinciaux. Soyez précis.

State whether provincial park visitors will be involved in the project and specify how and to what extent.
Indiquez si les visiteurs du parc provincial participeront au projet et dans quelle mesure.

State in detail any accommodation, equipment or travel assistance required from the Ministry of Natural Resources.
Donnez le détail de l’aide que vous attendez du ministère des Richesses naturelles en matière d’hébergement, de matériel ou de déplacements.
State in detail any support or consultant assistance required from the Ministry of Natural staff.
Donnez le détail du soutien ou de l'aide d'experts-conseils que vous attendez du personnel du ministère des Richesses naturelles.

Give the name, date and number of any licences, permits or authorizations held relating to the project (e.g. scientific collectors' permit, bird banding permit, etc.).
Donnez le nom, la date et le numéro de tous les permis, licences et autorisations relatifs au projet (p. ex. permis de recueillir des échantillons à des fins scientifiques, permis de baguage d'oiseaux, etc.).

Can you provide performance bonding if it is required?
Pouvez-vous fournir une garantie de bonne exécution s'il y a lieu?

Give the names, addresses and qualifications of persons assisting in the project and describe briefly contributions expected of them.
Donnez les noms, adresses et qualifications des personnes participant au projet et décrivez brièvement quelle devrait être leur contribution.

Give the names and addresses of any contributors to your project (i.e. through grants, advice, scholarships, equipment, supplies).
Donnez les noms et adresses de tous ceux qui contribuent à votre projet (soit au moyen de subventions, de conseils, de bourses, de matériel ou de fournitures).
If approved, I, the applicant, agree to abide by the terms and conditions specified in the attached approval.
Si mon projet est approuvé, je soussigné, auteur de la demande, m’engage à respecter les modalités énoncées dans l’approbation ci-jointe.

Signature of Applicant: ____________________________
Signature de l’auteur de la demande: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________

Signature of Course Director or Advisor or, if applicable, Agency/Company President, Chairperson or Manager:
Signature du directeur de cours ou du conseiller ou, le cas échéant, du président ou du directeur de l’organisme ou de la compagnie:

Date: ____________________________

APPROVAL SECTION:
PARTIE RELATIVE À L’APPROBATION:

Approval granted: ____________________________
Approval accordée: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________

District Manager
Chef de district

Date: ____________________________

Regional Director
Directeur régional

Conditions of Approval (if applicable):
Conditions de l’approbation (le cas échéant):

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Nota: Dans ce texte, lorsqu’il désigne des personnes, le masculin est utilisé au sens neutre.