



AUSABLE BAYFIELD CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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Township of Lucan Biddulph
33351 Richmond Street
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Atten.: Mr. Ron Reymer, Administrator-Clerk

Dear Mr. Reymer:

**Re: Lucan Area Trail Association
Lucan Trails Master Plan**

On June 10, 2010 staff of the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) met with Mr. Bruce Lamb of the Lucan Area Trails Association. The Authority and Mr. Lamb discussed the Association's vision for public trails in the Lucan area and has had the opportunity to consider the Lucan Trails Master Plan. The Master Plan was well done and provides a clear picture of the Association's vision.

In general, the Authority is fully supportive of initiatives to create public trails - especially where it provides the opportunity for greater access to the region's natural heritage features. The ABCA welcomes the opportunity to work cooperatively with the Association and the Municipality of Lucan Biddulph on this initiative.

The Authority also discussed its regulatory concerns with Mr. Lamb. In general, the 'on grade' trails which were described to the Authority do not require formal permission under Ontario Regulation 147/06. The Association is aware, however, that larger projects located within regulated areas should be discussed well in advance with the Authority as they may need formal approval. Such projects may include the construction of a pedestrian bridge, or significant excavation or filling.

Again, the Authority welcomes the Association's vision for trails in the Lucan area. The Authority also commends the Municipality of Lucan Biddulph's efforts to set aside these natural areas for the enjoyment of the public.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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Geoffrey Cade

Supervisor of Water and Planning

cc Mr. Bruce Lamb - Lucan Area Trails Association
Mr. Paul Hodgins - ABCA Director

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