

## Bognor Marsh Management Area – Compartment 27

Concessions 4 / 5/ 6, Lots 11, Pt. Lot 10, 12, 13 / 11, 12, 13, Pt. Lot 10 & 14 / Pt. Lot 10 (former Sydenham Township), Municipality of Meaford, Grey County

Bognor Marsh Management Area (Compartment 27) will be closed starting August 10, 2020 and anticipated to be reopened November 13, 2020 due to a scheduled stand improvement operation.

Trails leading to the top of the Niagara Escarpment will be closed to ensure the public's safety. The parking area on Grey Road 18 and the trails leading around the boardwalk will remain open for use. Trails on the attached map shown in red 'Xs' are considered closed.

The goal of Grey Sauble Conservation Authority's (GSC) Forest Management Program is to maintain healthy, diverse forest ecosystems which will provide many environmental, ecological, social and cultural benefits. The harvest operation, identified in our Forest Management Plan, will involve removal of trees to improve and maintain the health of the residual forest. The trees to be removed are carefully selected based on their vigour and quality. Wildlife habitat features such as stick nests, cavity trees and mast trees area retained to provide food and shelter for wildlife.

Wood from this harvest will provide lumber, renewable energy, and firewood. Revenues generated by this operation support the conservation efforts of GSC and the local economy.

The results of this stand improvement operation will be a healthy, diverse ecosystem that provides forest products, valuable wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities for the residents of our watershed.

This operation is consistent with GSC's mandate to further the conservation, restoration, development and management of natural resources.

For further information about this closure and the stand improvement operation please contact GSC at 519-376-3076.