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Keppel Forest Management Area – Compartment 78

Concession 19, Lot 7 Township of Georgian Bluffs (former Keppel Township), Grey County

Keppel Forest Management Area (Compartment 78) will be closed starting Aug 11, 2021 and anticipated to be reopened November 1, 2021 due to a scheduled plantation thinning operation.

All trails are closed on this property for the safety of the public.

The goal of Grey Sauble Conservation Authority's (GSCA) 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 GSCA 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 GSCA'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 GSCA at 519-376-3076 or forestry@greysauble.on.ca.

Member Municipalities

Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, Town of the Blue Mountains, Township of Chatsworth, Township of Georgian Bluffs, Municipality of Grey Highlands, Municipality of Meaford, City of Owen Sound, Town of South Bruce Peninsula