

Camp Kawartha

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Mayor and Council, Township of North Kawartha 280 Burleigh Street, P.O. 550 Apsley, ON KOL 1A0

Dear Mayor and Council,

Camp Kawartha is an award winning, not for profit organization located on Clear Lake, not far from the proposed Burleigh Bay Condominium Development. Our mandate is to foster environmental stewardship for children, youth and adults. Between 10,000 and 12,000 participants visit Camp Kawartha each year.

Camp Kawartha would like to express its concern about the impact that the Burleigh Bay Condominium Development might have on the ecological integrity of Stony and Clear Lake. We recognize that the Fraser Property and the Fraser Wetlands contain many sensitive and valuable environmental features – from a Provincially Significant Wetland to 11 identified First Nations archaeological sites. The land provides invaluable green space around a lake complex already under great pressure from development. The Stony Lake region is arguably at capacity already. An intensive development like a condominium will likely degrade shoreline diversity, impact water quality, increase run off and fragment habitat. 60 additional homes concentrated in a small area will increase boat traffic in an area already known for its high volume of watercraft.

We all need to make a concerted effort to protect the very values that make Stony and Clear Lake such an attractive place to live. We need to recognize that our community should also honour and protect the living systems that support and nurture us all.

Please work with organizations such as the Kawartha Land Trust and the Friends of Fraser Wetlands to protect this area for future generations. Our children's children will thank you for having such foresight and vision.

Regards,

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