

OHI seeks Volunteer to help us protect Ontario's natural heritage and aquatic resources

The Ontario Headwaters Institute (OHI) is looking for volunteers with a passion for the environment to help us build on some recent successes to expand our profile in Ontario by growing our digital footprint, educational program delivery, and our work to enhance provincial policies and programs related to protecting natural heritage and our watersheds.

Founded in 2003 following the public health crisis in Walkerton, the Institute has grown to be the leading not-for-profit organization in Ontario working on both headwater protection and improvements to the provincial framework for watershed management.

An excellent article about the OHI and some recent successes can be found on pages 30 – 37 at http://www.climateontario.ca/doc/RACIII/Climate_Change_Stories_of_Ontario_Final.pdf, written by staff at the Ontario Centre for Climate Impacts and Adaption Resources - OCCIAR.

More recent efforts include **WaterScape**, a collaboration of 3 provincial partners and 11 community organizations that staged 6 events across south-central Ontario with more than 160 participants. Outcomes include a compelling set of Proceedings, found [here](#), and a Submission to the Province with 17 recommendations on Protecting Water for Future Generations, endorsed by more than 50 organizations and 90 individuals, found [here](#).

Guided with a mission that embraces integrity, accountability, and respect, we seek the volunteer described below.

Webmaster

The OHI needs a new webmaster, due to the retirement of a long-serving and trusted volunteer.

While 99% of all website updates are posted by staff to existing WordPress templates, we need a make-over, a few new websites, and someone to manage the server we now rent that is getting numerous intrusion attacks on a daily basis.

We also need help designing issue-based web-initiatives to engage young people, and advice on better linkages between our website and social media postings.

This is not a request for 48 hours next week, but a desire to bring in a volunteer who might work 20 hours in 2018, and become a member of a team that wants to increase the profile of the OHI, and the need to Ontario's protect natural heritage and aquatic resources in numerous ways in 2019 and beyond.

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