



**ESCARPMENT  
CORRIDOR ALLIANCE**

February 21, 2025

Town of The Blue Mountains  
32 Mill Street, Box 310  
Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

Re: Request for Letter of Support

To the Town of The Blue Mountains - Committee of the Whole,

Please accept this formal letter of request for the Town of The Blue Mountains - Committee of the Whole to write a Letter of Support for the Escarpment Corridor Alliance's (ECA) grant application to the Environment and Climate Change Canada - Nature Based Climate Solutions Fund (NSCSF), Emissions Reduction Intake.

The ECA is proposing a South Georgian Bay Ecological Corridor Identification & Development Project to the NSCSF. The project is part of our vision of creating an ecological corridor network across the Niagara Escarpment of South Georgian Bay, for nature and for future generations. Ecological corridors are nature-based solutions to building climate resiliency and halting biodiversity loss. The funds will be primarily used for scientific related work and not advocacy activities. The grant will also create a local employment opportunity.

The NSCSF grant focuses on increasing the amount of carbon rich land in Canada as part of the '30x30 Initiative' and climate adaptation. Wetlands and forests are examples of carbon rich lands which the ECA seeks to protect and restore across the Town of The Blue Mountains and South Georgian Bay. Wetlands and forests are also important for ecosystem services and wildlife habitat, in addition to their carbon sequestration role as a nature-based solution. These lands are also important for community recreation access and the health of TBM residents.

The ECA's work will benefit the Town of The Blue Mountains, its residents, visitors, farmers and businesses by expanding nature-based solutions which will make the South Georgian Bay regional community a thriving place to live, visit and do business.

Sincerely,



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