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## Lands

### a. [GSCA's Participation in Canada's Protected Areas Target \(30x30\)](#)

Following a presentation from Conservation Ontario staff, GSCA spoke to how GSCA can participate in Canada's 30 x 30 initiative. Staff recommended moving forward with registering qualifying lands in the Canadian Protected and Conserved Areas Database (CPCAD).

The Board approved.

## Administration

### a. [2026-2028 GSCA Budget - 1<sup>st</sup> Draft](#)

Staff presented the first draft of the new three-year budget and went through how the budget will be rolled out over the lifespan of the budget. It was noted that the capital budget was held back to coordinate with the release of GSCA's Asset Management Plan and would be brought forward soon. The Board approved and directed staff to bring forward a final draft to the November Board meeting.

## Education

### a. [Education Update](#)

Staff provided an update on the Education Department's activities for 2025 and its plans for 2026.

Some of the notable highlights were:

- More than \$75,000 in grants raised to support programming.
- Students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 from across the watershed participated in programming.
- Turtle Stewardship Program launched.

Plans for 2026 include:

- Echoes of the Marsh project funded by Greenbelt.
- Expansion of the Turtle Stewardship Program.
- Development of Hydro One's Natural Hazard Education Program.
- Full slate of Summer Day Camp at GSCA's newly renovated Administration Centre.
- Nature Discovery Backpack launch.

Staff also highlighted the department's Call to Action Sponsorship Drive. More information on this can be found at: [Environmental Education Sponsorship – Grey Sauble Conservation Authority](#)