

FIX-THE-GULL FUNDRAISING PROJECT 2017 - 2019

The "Fix-the-Gull" project is rolling.

For the past 40 years, the Gull River and Minden Whitewater Preserve has provided whitewater experiences like "Intro to Whitewater" with friends, families, clients and summer campers, paddlers surfing their 1st wave, rescue training for firefighters, fishing for anglers, marriage proposals and weddings, and of course whitewater races for athletes, recreational and international, like the Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games and many others.

But things have changed. The Gull River Whitewater Preserve is in trouble.



Due to major floods in 2014, 2016 and now 2017, the river has significant movement of boulders, disintegration of eddy walls, and hazardous rocks into mid-river. With the high volume of users in recent years, there is also the expected erosion of canoe/kayak "put-ins" and "takeout" paths.

A comprehensive application for work permits has been submitted to the Ministry of Natural Resources for river and shoreline work over a 3 year period. Starting in 2017, it will be focused on paddler high use areas and safety issues. Overall the project will cost an estimated \$55,000.

In our first year of fundraising, Whitewater Ontario raised \$15,000 from WO membership fees, contracts with partners, and camping fees. Private donors from the paddling community raised \$5000. Grants and funding sources are being explored, but are limited.

That leaves the project in need of \$35,000.

The river needs your help.

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EXAMPLES OF PROJECT COSTS

\$100 pays for a sweeper tree to be cut and removed.

\$200 pays for a rock to be moved.

\$1,000 pays for 1 step of armour stone at the washout.

\$2,000 pays for a eddy wall to be rebuilt.

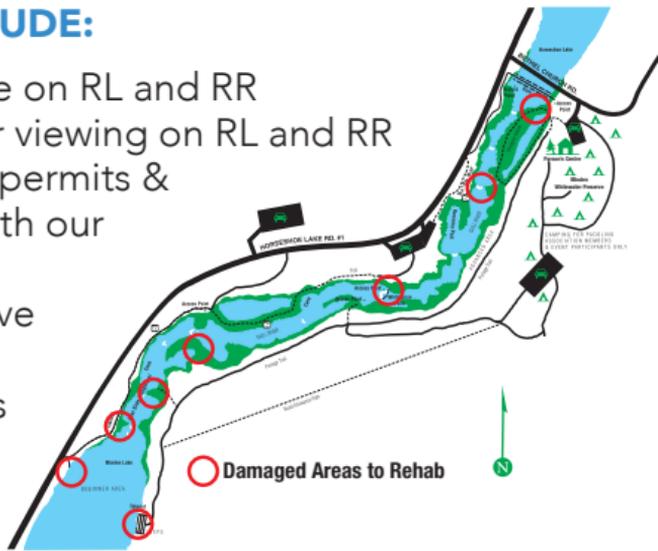
 **PayPal** You can donate via PayPal, Square Up,
 **Square** Cheque or Cash.

Tax Deductible Receipts can be issued for donations over \$20.

There are additional preserve upgrades planned for 2017-18 that are funded separately by WO.

UPGRADES INCLUDE:

- New trail signage on RL and RR
- New benches for viewing on RL and RR
- Online camping permits & e-transactions with our summer staff
- Improved Preserve lighting
- Working showers
- Playground upgrades
- Campsite modifications for physically-challenged campers



Scan this QR Code for a video and more info on application.

You can learn more at our various event booths or WhitewaterOntario.ca

If you wish to sponsor a larger feature of the project

such as an eddy wall, or eddy cleanout, please give us a call or email. We will be happy to discuss project details and donor recognition with you.

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