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Mr. Dan Thompson, Dept. Fisheries & Oceans
Mr. Bill McRobb, Moon River Walleye Association
Mr. Glyn Jones, Woods Bay Community Association
Iron City Club, c/o Mr. Jim Beatty

Dear Interested Stakeholder / Prospective Partner :

SUBJECT: Moon River – Of Eastern Georgian Bay, Draft Walleye Rehabilitation Plan

The Eastern Georgian Bay Stewardship Council (EGBSC) in partnership with the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) Parry Sound District Office and Upper Great Lakes Management Unit – Lake Huron Office (Owen Sound), have formulated a draft plan to rehabilitate the Moon River walleye population. Please find the draft plan enclosed for your information.

The Stewardship Council and MNR are now seeking public comment and input for incorporation into the plan. To this end, we kindly request your review of the document. Please forward your comments to:

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or by e-mail at: eric.mcintyre@ontario.ca.

In reviewing the plan, it will become apparent that the details of many of the management actions proposed have not been finalized. We stress that this is a "draft" plan which requires both public input as well as periodic updating as the details of management actions become solidified. Its circulation at this time is intended to focus on the over-all management approach to rehabilitation.

The significant modification and enhancement work planned for walleye spawning beds at the mouth of the Moon River may garner a considerable amount of interest. A site specific, Class Environmental Assessment is planned for this particular component of the plan. As an interested stakeholder, you will be contacted for comment during the Environmental Assessment process scheduled for the summer and fall of 2007.

An additional purpose of this letter is to solicit support in principle for the initiative and to garner additional partners. We are absolutely convinced that a wide-ranging and collaborative approach to rehabilitating this population will produce the best likelihood of success. **Should you support this initiative, a letter of endorsement from your agency, organization, or community in this regard would be much appreciated.** We would genuinely like to include you as a partner in this plan. We anticipate the widespread support of numerous partners will be a forceful component in seeking support funding from various government and non-government agencies.

If you are aware of any other key stakeholders or potential partners, please advise Eric or provide them a copy of this correspondence. We thank you and look forward to your valued participation in this most worthwhile initiative.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Terry Crawford', written in a cursive style.

Terry Crawford, Chairperson
E. Geo. Bay Stewardship Council

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