

Georgian Bay Association

2023 Presentation to
Blackstone Lake
Cottagers Association

PROTECTING YOUR COAST



YOUR VOICE ON THE BAY



GBA Amplifies Your Voice



Founded 1916



Advocates on behalf of 18 associations



Represents ~30,000 individuals



Why Coastal Protection?



- o UNESCO biosphere: World's largest freshwater archipelago
- o Threat of overdevelopment
- o Effective action requires collaboration
- o Important role of sound municipal planning standards to ensure sustainable development

Coastal Protection - Current Priorities

Floating Homes



Formed a strategy group



Support from MNRF



Transport Canada

Municipal Planning Comparison



5 Municipalities involved



Comparing planning regulations



Identifying sound practices

Boating & Safety - Current Priorities

Fire



Fire danger ratings



Restrictions



Safety information

Boating



New regulations



Boat noise



Safety tips

Water - Current Priorities

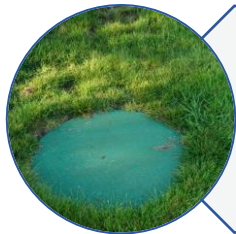
Water Quality



Cruise ships



Microfibres & dock foam



Septic System Guide

Aquaculture



Open net pen industry



Government advocacy



Sustainable operations

Other



Communications & Membership



Lands and Forests



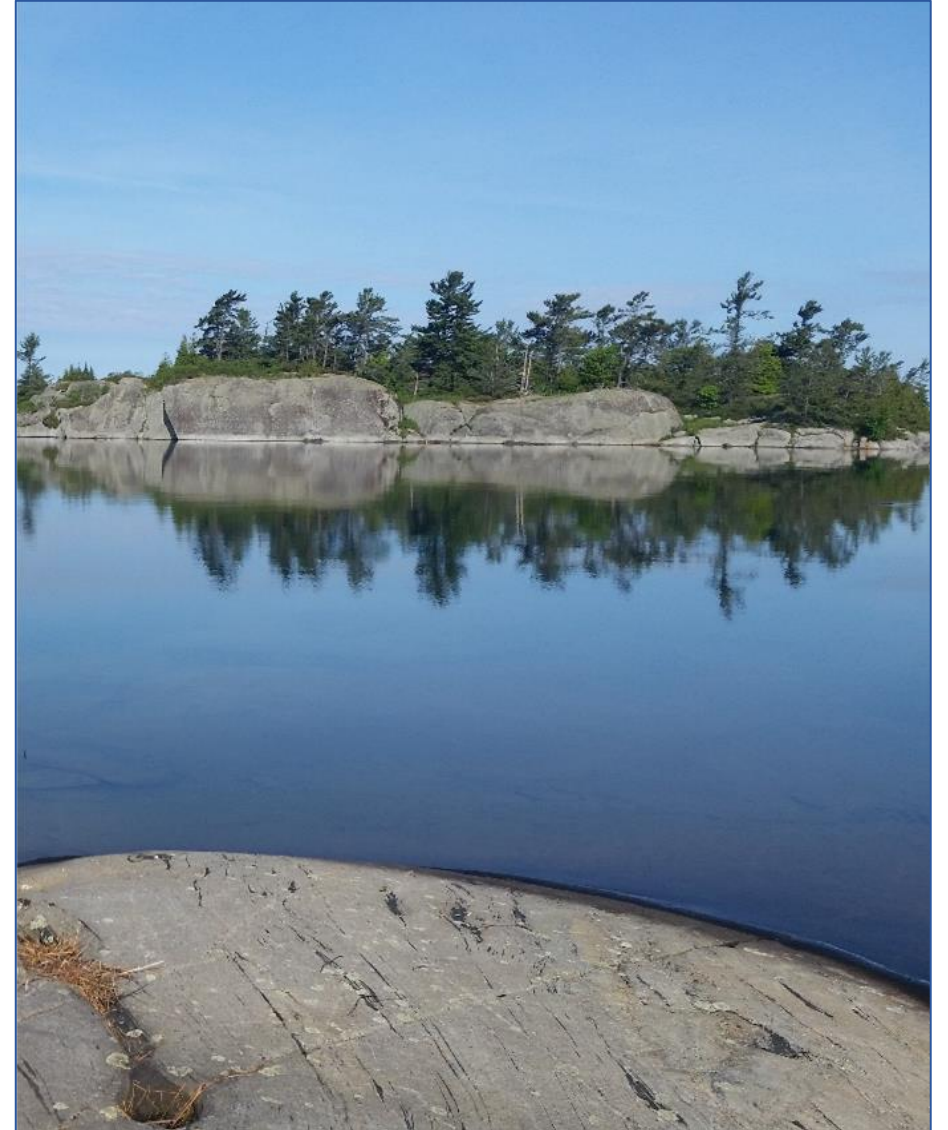
First Nations & Guardians



Fisheries



Other



Summary



GBA's Vision: The preservation and protection of the Bay and its natural environment, ecosystems, and species to sustain this world-renowned biosphere and archipelago for future generations.



Environmental Protection



Member issues



Why it matters



Questions?

