

Summary of CEWF 2021 Annual Communications Meeting

On Saturday, September 11th, 2021, the CEWF held its Annual Communications Meeting utilizing a Zoom participant on-line virtual meeting methodology. The event was attended by many members from our 32 member lake associations. The meeting agenda included administrative reports from the CEWF Executive Committee including the report on the CEWF 2021 Priorities and 8 Point Work Plan Review presented by the CEWF Vice-Chair, Bruce McClennan. **(for presentation slides- [click here](#)).**

David Britton, Director, Ontario Waterways, Parks Canada presented a report on the Parks Canada capital construction program in the reservoir area of the Haliburton Sector of the Trent Severn Waterway indicating the current status of many of the projects as well as a look ahead. In addition, He outlined the status and planned consultation process for the upcoming draft of the Trent Severn Waterway Management Plan. **(for presentation slides – [click here](#))**

The Chair of the CEWF, Ted Spence, provided an overview of the 2021 Water Management as viewed from the CEWF's perspective. He highlighted the active water management by TSW in the face of extreme variation of early snowmelt, drought through to late June with record low lake levels, then extreme rainfall totals late June through July with record high lake levels. **(for presentation slides - [click here](#))**

A detailed review of 2021 water management strategies and experiences resulting from the significant variances in precipitation, dry soil conditions, temperatures, and the early snowmelt was presented by Anna Ciorap, Water Management Manager, Parks Canada. Also provided was an update on various water management tools and forecasting techniques. **(for presentation slides – [click here](#)).**

The meeting participants expressed appreciation for the efforts made during this difficult and challenging water management year.

Date of next year's ACM – Saturday, Sept 10th – Fish Hatchery facility of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association.