## **Trailhead North Algoma**

### PARTNERSHIPS



# Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority



Who we are

What we do

Partnerships and their importance



## SSMRCA

**Mandate -** Conservation Authorities, created in 1946 by an Act of the Provincial Legislature, are mandated to ensure the conservation, restoration and responsible management of Ontario's water, land and natural habitats through programs that balance human, environmental and economic needs.

**Vision -** Healthy watersheds existing in a balance between the natural environment and human needs.

**Mission Statement -** To protect, improve and promote local watersheds through the delivery of resource management services and programs in cooperation with community partners.



# SSMRCA

SSMRCA is one of 36 Conservation Authorities in the Province of Ontario

- The SSMRCA owns and manages over **5,000 acres** of diverse ecosystems including forests, wetlands and shorelines.
- Some of the properties contain significant natural features while others hold portions of our five flood control channels and the Fort Creek Dam and Reservoir.
- Water control structures help protect against the loss of life and property damage due to flooding. Sault Ste. Marie and Prince Township are home to approximately 74,000 people.
- Administer Ontario Regulation 176/06 to regulate development and activities in specific areas to reduce the threat of loss of life and property damage from natural hazards such as erosion and pollution and to minimize flooding.



## SSMRCA

### SSMRCA is the smallest CA in the province

### Funding – municipalities, province and permit fees

Programs – programs based on local needs and capacity



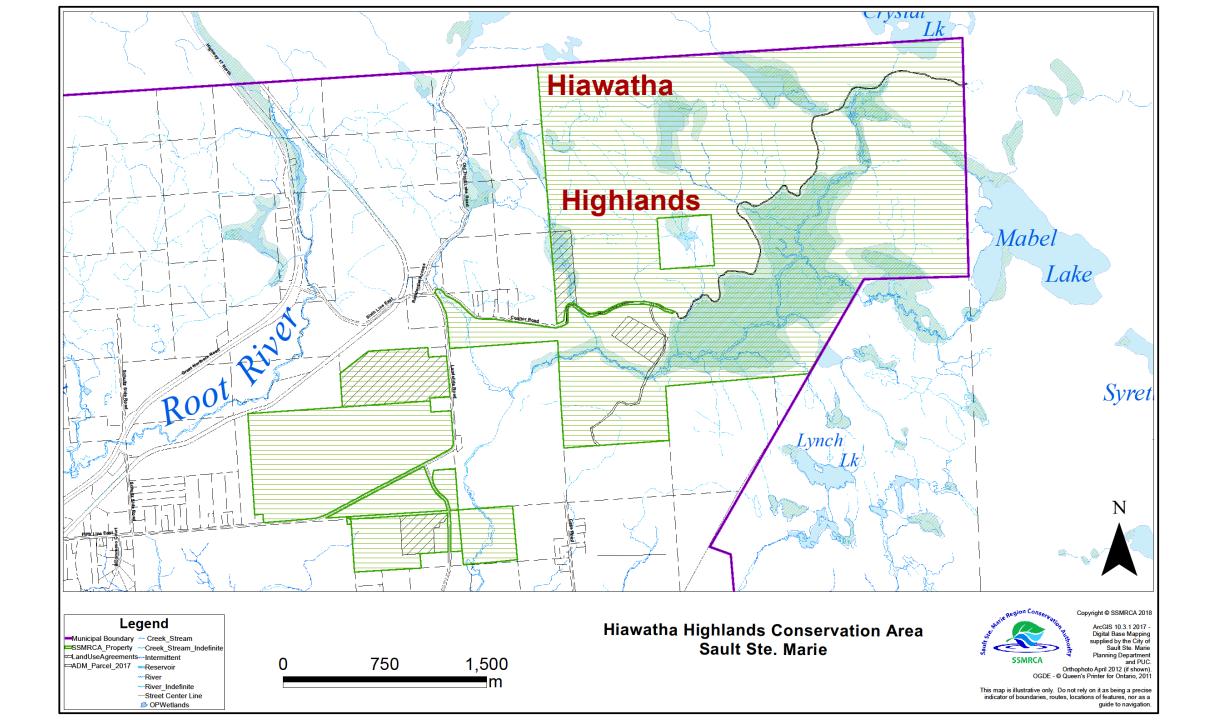
# Hiawatha Highlands

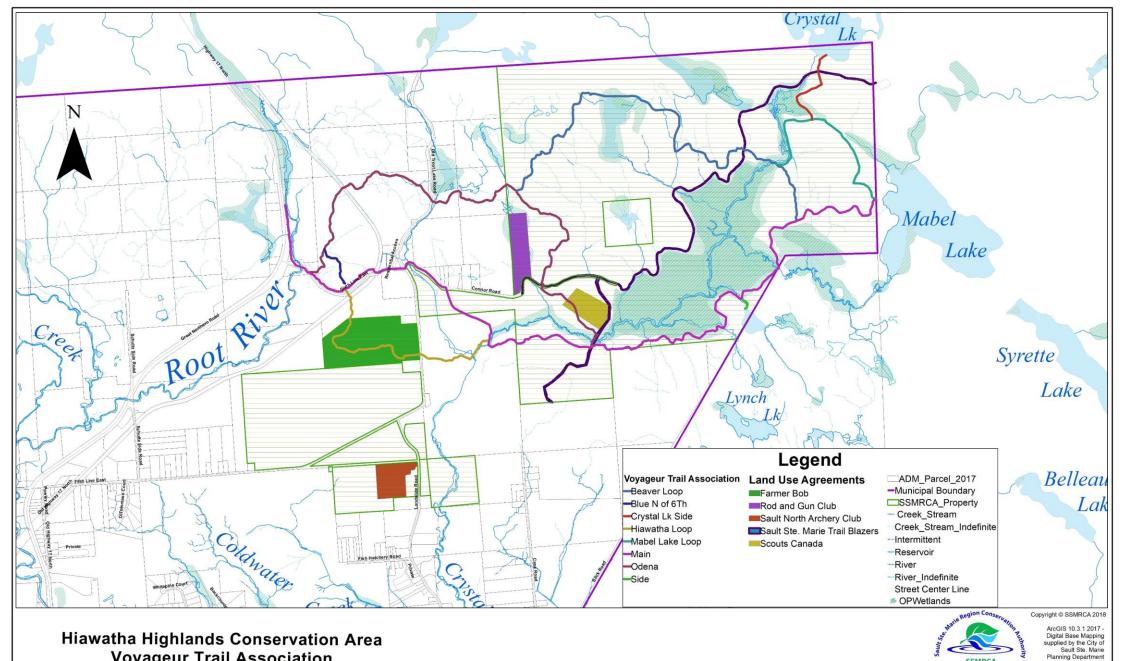
Hiawatha Highlands Conservation Area

Location: North-eastern limit of the City of Sault Ste. Marie

Area: 2,206.55 acres or 892.964 hectares

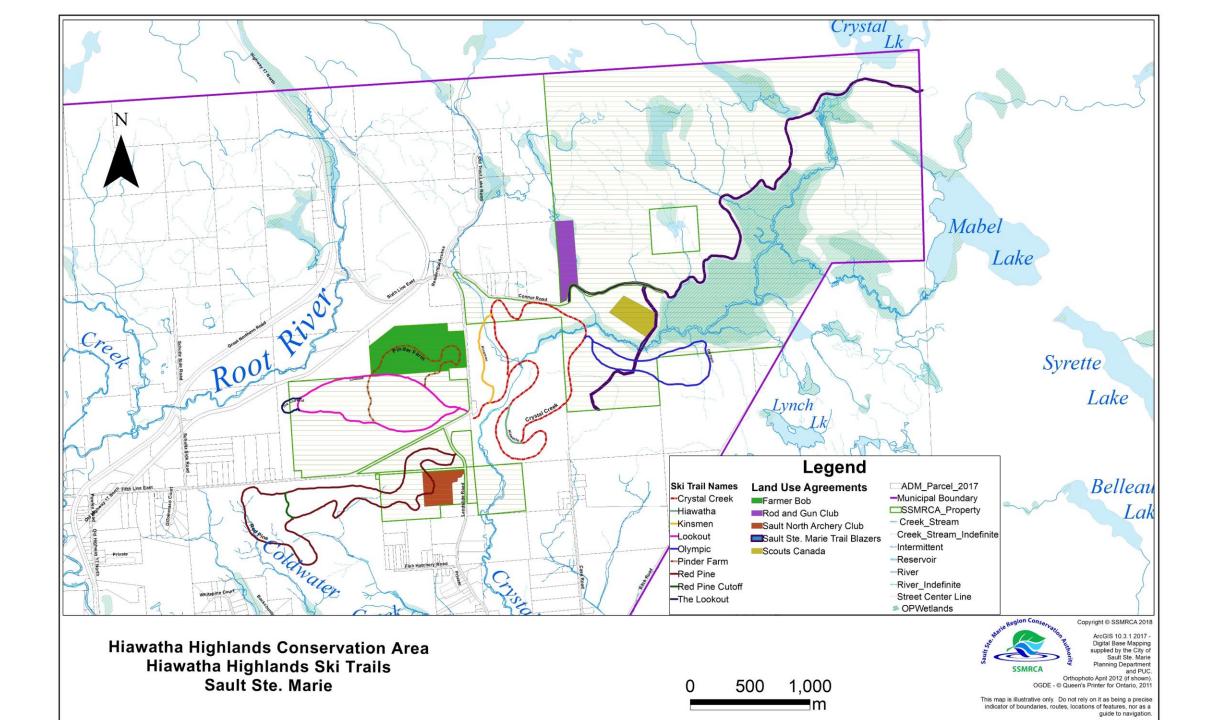
Activities: unmaintained hiking trails, cross country ski trails, snowshoe trails, VTA trails, bike trails, snowmobile trails, Scouts Canada camp, research

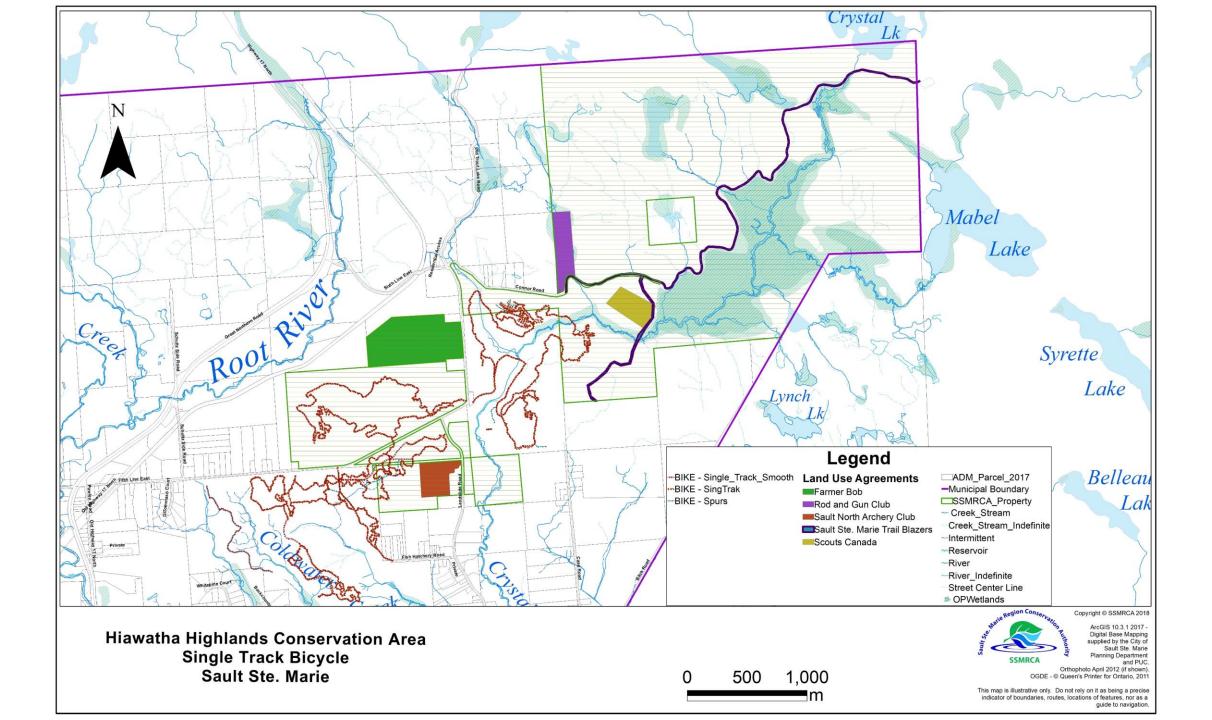


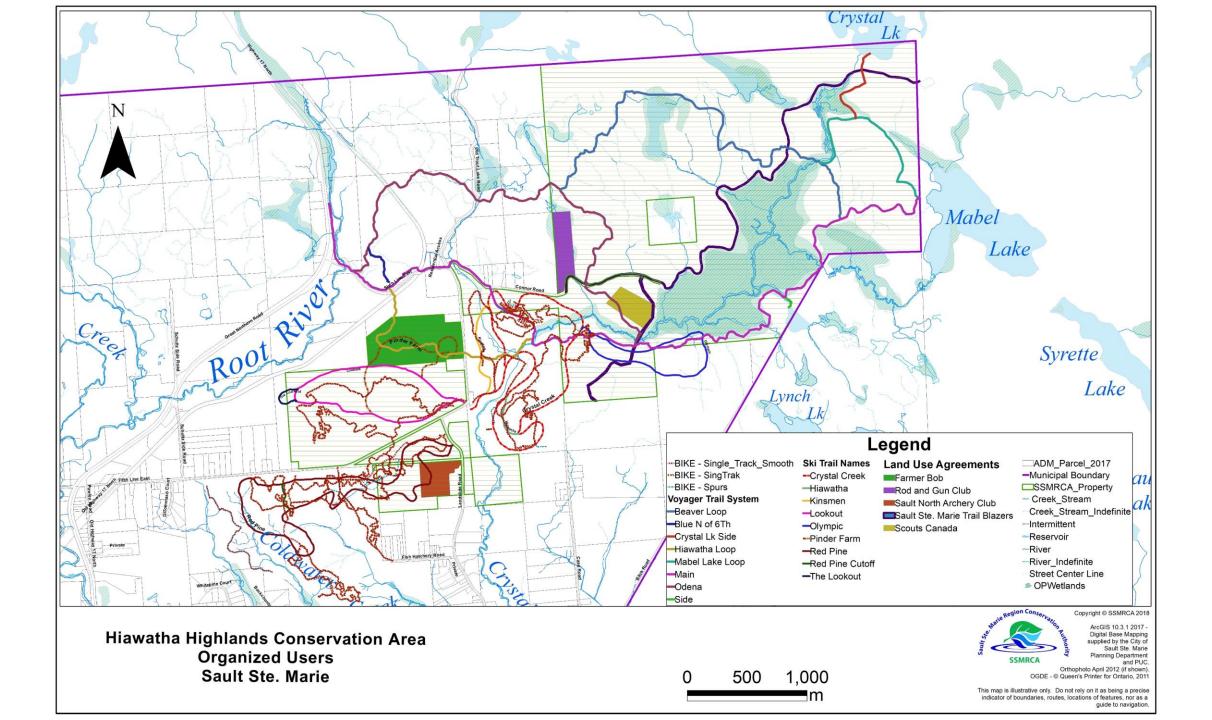


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Hiawatha Highlands Conservation Area Vovageur Trail Association









# Hiawatha Highlands Partnerships

### **Regulated Activities:**

HikingMountain BikingResearchCross Country RunningArcheryCampCross Country SkiingSnowshoeSpecial EventsSnowmobileFat BikesForestryKiwanis Club Pancake BreakfastsFundraising Events

### **Other Activities:**

Weddings or special occasion photography Dog walking Police training



# Hiawatha Highlands Partnerships

#### **Existing Partnerships/Opportunities**

Educational institutions – Sault College, Algoma University and School Boards

Provincial Government – MNRF - Forests Division, Forest Research, District Office MOECC Area Office

Federal Government – Natural Resources Canada (Forestry), National Historic Park (locks)

Municipal Government – Community Geomatics Centre, Culture and Recreation, Landfill Committee,

Invasive Species Centre – Northern Ontario Head Office

Local Special Interest Groups – Voyageur Trail Assn, Ski Club, Cycling Club, Naturalist Club, Clean North

Local Commercial – TD Bank, Royal Bank, Union Gas

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