



## Northumberland Land Trust

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### MISSION

The Northumberland Land Trust is committed to preserving the natural, historical and cultural heritage of Northumberland County

Mayor Gil Brocanier and Members of Cobourg Town Council  
The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg  
Victoria Hall  
55 King Street West  
Cobourg, Ontario  
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April 22, 2015

RE: Proposed Development of Cobourg Heritage Harbour  
Marina Expansion Plans

Dear Mayor Brocanier and Members of Council,

We, the Board of Directors of the Northumberland Land Trust (NLT), are writing to express our concern about the Town of Cobourg's proposed marina expansion and marina related facilities in the west harbour area.

The Northumberland Land Trust is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors representing a cross section of the community including landowners, farmers, business people, and professionals. NLT promotes the conservation and preservation of natural and ecologically significant lands and wetlands across Northumberland County. Our mandate is to protect areas of natural, cultural and historical significance. Among other things, we provide public education and information on conservation practices. For more information on what we are doing, including looking after properties and ongoing education events, please consult our web site: [www.northumberlandlandtrust.ca](http://www.northumberlandlandtrust.ca)

We feel the addition of boat slips in the Cobourg west harbour would be detrimental to an ecologically significant area enjoyed at liberty by all Cobourg citizens and visitors, as well as flora and fauna which make the harbour their home and use the harbour as a destination during migration. In addition, eco-tourism is a viable consideration in the economic development and health of the harbour.

The Directors of the Northumberland Land Trust, on behalf of our members, ask you to make a decision using wisdom and foresight. Town Council, as the stewards of the public trust, must protect the western natural portion of the harbour as an important public asset for the enjoyment of present and future generations.

Yours truly,

John Geale  
President, Board of Directors of the Northumberland Land Trust

cc: Stephen Peacock, CAO, Town of Cobourg

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