



# County of Haliburton



## Existing Shoreline Tree Preservation By-law No. 3505 as amended



# Purpose

- In effect in its current form since 2018;
- Sustain a healthy natural environment;
- Maintain and improve ecosystem;
- Protect significant and sensitive natural areas;
- Contribute to human health and quality of life;
- Maintain water quality;
- Reduce airborne pollution;
- Maintain and enhance natural habitat;
- Prevent soil erosion and water run-off;
- Protect and enhance aesthetic values;  
and
- Protect fish spawning beds.





# Lands Covered by the Existing By-law

- **Within 30 metres of the high water mark**
- **Not applied to woodlands covered under County Forestry By-law No. 3196**

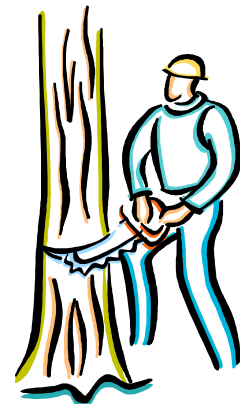




# Primary Exemptions

## Section 3

- work on any tree(s) with a trunk diameter of less than 10 cm, as measured at 1.37 metres from ground;
- hazard tree removal;
- removal of dead, dangerous, diseased or severely injured trees or stumps;
- emergency work removal;
- pruning or removal of trees in accordance with professional practices;
- removal authorized or permitted under a municipal building permit;
- removal of any tree within 5 metres of a dwelling or septic system;
- removal of trees for a driveway provided it is no more than 5 metres in width;
- removal of trees for a pathway to the water provided it is no more than 5 metres in width.





# Other Exemptions

## Section 3

- Legislated exemptions
- Trees removed by the County or a Lower-tier Municipality or a local board
- Trees removed under an approved site plan, plan of subdivision or development permit
- Trees that are in woodlots and woodlands regulated by the County Forestry By-law No. 3196





# Partial Exemptions

- Adjacent to Spawning beds
- Steep slopes

## Prohibitions

- As per Section 4 of the By-law



## Permits

- None required at this time



# Enforcement

- **Complaint driven**
- **Designation of Officers**
- **Relief**
- **Orders**
- **Penalties under the Provincial Offences Act**
- **Administered by the County Forester**



# New Shoreline Preservation By-law currently under Review

- Commenced in 2019 by Haliburton Council
- Extensive public engagement undertaken
- Substantive changes being considered:
  - 20 metre buffer instead of a 30 metre buffer
  - Site alteration (i.e. filling, grading) along with tree preservation
  - Permit system
- Council has ended its consideration of the new by-law and directed that it be reviewed for legal soundness.