

St Williams Conservation Reserve Trail Change Application Form

Instructions for submitting an application to change the trail network at St Williams Conservation Reserve (The CR)

As part of The CR's Operations Plan renewal process, we are considering changes to the authorized trail network for motorized, equestrian and mountain bike users. If your group would like to request changes to the authorized trail network, please fill out an application as follows.

How to Apply

- 1. Review the **Trail Change Process** information (see PDF attachment in this email)
- 2. Fill in this form pp 2, 3, 4.
- 3. Mark your proposed trail change on the relevant **map** (attachments in this email): Nursery Tract Trails and Turkey Point Tract trails
- 4. Send the completed application form + marked-up map
 - By email to: info@swcr.ca
 - By regular mail to:

The Coordinator, St. Williams Conservation Reserve Community Council

P.O. Box 472, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0

Submission Due Dates:

December 31, 2017

December 31, 2023

December 31, 2027



SWCR Trail Change Application Form

User Group:	
Contact Person Name:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Mailing Address:	
1. Tell us about your group: activity, number of members, etc., and its interest in recreational activities and trails in The CR.	
 2. Describe the change(s) you would like to see to the current trail system. E.g., are you proposing to Open a new trail for biking, horseback riding, motorized use? Close or modify one of the currently authorized trails? Close a trail section and open a new section? Other change to trail system? 	
3. Where is the proposed trail change? (See maps)	Please mark the location and route of the trail you are proposing on the relevant map (see page 1 for instructions). Mark it up, and include it with this application.



4. Why is this change necessary or desirable?	
5. Demonstrate that the need for the trail change cannot be met through the existing trail network.	
6. MNRF will not consider new trails in	sensitive areas (wetlands, ravines, sand barrens, stream crossings, etc.)
6.a. To your knowledge, is your proposed trail (change) in or near one of the wetland, sand barren, or oak management restoration areas?	
Yes, or No	
6.b. Does your proposed trail/change pass through a ravine or cross a stream?	
Yes, or No	
6.c. If Yes to either of the above, please explain.	
7. What impact do you think the proposed change will have on trail density - Length of proposed trail? - Proximity to existing trail(s)? Parallelism with existing trail(s)?	



 8. How would the proposed change affect the impacts of human usage Impact on forest: how straightwinding/flat-hilly/narrow-wide is the proposed trail? Impact on other recreational user groups: mountain bikers, hikers/walkers, horseback riders, motorized vehicle riders, hunters, etc.? Increased/decreased traffic on existing or new trail(s)? 	
9. Indicate how the trail change may affect an entry point to the reserve, to other trails, to an adjacent property or to a parking area.	
10. Additional biological or environmental surveys may be required before new trails can be approved. Would your group be willing to fund the cost of field studies, if necessary?	
Yes, No, please explain	

Thank you for your application. MNRF will review all applications if received by December 31, 2017. You can expect a response from MNRF by March 31, 2018 as to whether they will consider this proposed change and what, if any, additional information they require, e.g., field studies, environmental assessments.