

Long Point Causeway Improvement Project



TAKING ACTION

to protect LONG POINT'S WILDLIFE & WETLANDS

Here is what we have accomplished to date:

- Initiated, funded and commissioned comprehensive feasibility study on how to reduce wildlife road kill, restore water connections between the Big Creek Marsh and Inner Bay, improve public safety and enhance the natural attractiveness of the Causeway

- Initiated, funded and carried out temporary measures to reduce road kill including the installation of 4,000 metres of wildlife barrier fencing, artificial nesting mounds for turtles and signage to alert drivers to watch for wildlife on the roadway

- Carried out monitoring studies of wildlife road mortality along the Causeway over the past three summers to verify the effectiveness of temporary measures

- Consulted widely with community and government agencies on project

- Succeeded in reducing road kill of many species, including Species at Risk turtles and snakes

- Secured hundreds of hours of volunteer time in support of project

- Attracted significant interest in media and scientific community about the proposed work

- Secured \$600,000 in funding to support project including nearly \$400,000 to install three ecopassages next year that will allow animals to pass safely under the Causeway

- Accomplished all of the above at no cost to Norfolk County taxpayers



Installing wildlife barrier fencing along Causeway



Installing artificial nesting mounds for turtles



Snapping turtle laying eggs on artificial nest mound



Monitoring wildlife road mortality along Causeway



Alerting drivers to slow down and watch for wildlife crossing the road



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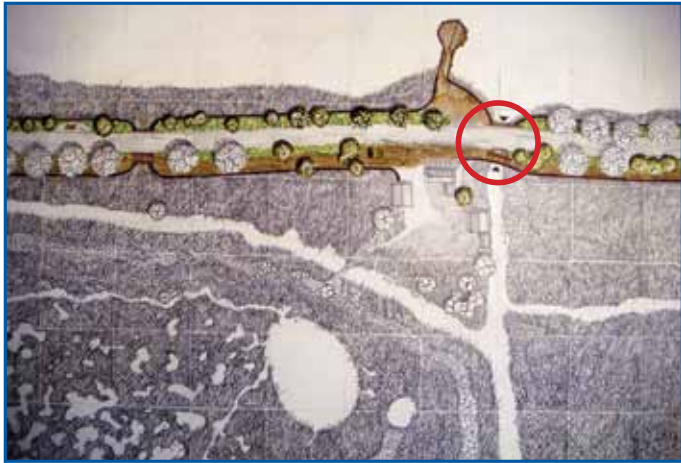


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Proposed locations of three ecopassages under the Causeway planned for construction next year: ○



Scale Model



Examples of aquatic ecopassages.



Examples of small terrestrial ecopassages.



The LPCIP is currently working with Norfolk County on the design, engineering and environmental assessment required for the proposed ecopassages. This work will proceed over the fall and winter months. Once approved, the construction of the ecopassages will be carried out in the spring or fall of 2011. Every effort will be made to minimize the disruption of traffic across the Causeway.

The LPCIP is seeking donations from the community to help replace and maintain the wildlife barrier fencing. A donation of \$30 will install two metres of fencing; \$60 will install four metres; \$90 will install six metres and \$120 will install eight metres of fencing. Donors will receive a charitable receipt and an attractive decal for their vehicle.



Vehicle Decal



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