

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – June 7th, 2024**

### ***Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Announces Leadership Transition***

**SAUGEEN WATERSHED, ONTARIO** – Bruce, Dufferin, Huron, Grey, and Wellington Counties.

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) today announces a change in leadership as Jennifer Stephens, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer has elected to step down from her role to pursue other opportunities. The SVCA Board of Directors respects and supports this decision and extends its gratitude for the dedicated service and contributions during Jennifer's tenure.

Erik Downing has assumed the position of Acting General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Downing brings extensive experience with SVCA and a deep commitment to environmental conservation, ensuring a seamless transition as SVCA continues its vital work.

The position of General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer has been formally posted through Grey County, and interested candidates are encouraged to visit [www.grey.ca/government/careers](http://www.grey.ca/government/careers) for more information and to submit their applications.

Saugeen Conservation's ideal candidate for this position will have experience in managing multi-disciplinary teams, along with a strong background in business management. Prospective candidates should also be skilled in navigating the complexities of environmental policy and fostering collaborative relationships with government entities, local communities, and stakeholders.

"Saugeen Conservation is committed to finding a General Manager who will build on the strong foundation laid by its predecessors. SVCA looks forward to welcoming a new General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer who shares SVCA's commitment to preserving and enhancing the natural resources of the Saugeen watershed for future generations."

- Barbara Dobreen, Deputy Mayor of the Township of Southgate and Board Chair of Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority

Saugeen Conservation proudly serves fifteen municipalities across five counties: Bruce, Grey, Huron, Wellington, and Dufferin, ensuring comprehensive and collaborative environmental management and conservation efforts throughout these regions. The Administration Office of Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority is situated in the picturesque village of Formosa, Ontario, within the Municipality of South Bruce. This charming area boasts stunning natural beauty, a relaxed pace of life, and is relatively close to Lake Huron and to urban centres, making for an easy commute and access to serene waterfront landscapes.

**For more information, please visit:**  
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