



Rideau Waterway
LAND TRUST

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JOIN THE VOLUNTEER BOARD OF THE RIDEAU WATERWAY LAND TRUST

We are a community-based, not-for-profit organization dedicated to protecting and preserving important lands and sites along the Rideau waterway system, a National Historic Site of Canada *and* UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Established in 1996, **the Trust currently stewards 21 properties** totaling 470 ha (1160 acres) along the 202-kilometre spine of the Rideau and Cataraqui watersheds. Protected in perpetuity, Trust properties include habitat for species at risk, sensitive wetlands, significant landscapes, and two recreational properties with low-impact hiking trails. RWLT partners with a number of other organizations including the *Ontario Land Trust Alliance* and the *American Friends of Canadian Conservation*.

The Trust is managed by a **volunteer Board of Directors** responsible for defining the strategic direction of the organization, the priorities for managing its properties, and ensuring that the Trust operates within its bylaws and relevant federal/provincial legislation governing charitable organizations. The Board maintains the financial sustainability of the Trust by leveraging individual and foundation donations, applying for government grants, collecting user fees at Rock Dunder, and seasonally renting Covington Cottage.

Directors recruit and supervise staff and volunteers and represent the Trust at events, conferences, and other occasions. They are encouraged to brief the Board on general trends in environmental sustainability, the land trust movement, and the natural history of the Rideau Waterway.

We are looking for persons with an interest in the environment who share the Trust's objective of protecting key properties through acquisition. Skills, knowledge, and experience of particular interest to the Trust include: property management and administration (land use planning, law, appraisal); financial management and accounting; biology, ecology, forestry, and engineering; fundraising; community outreach; marketing; communication; education/training; and personnel management. Thematic committees support overall Board decision making.

The RWLT meets on the second Thursday of most months via Zoom or in-person meetings (health guidelines and weather permitting). Terms are two years, renewable at the AGM.

Interested in applying? Please forward your resume and cover letter by email to info@rwlt.org.

Questions? Email our Executive Director Sara Roberts at swroberts@rwlt.org.

Please note: We will prioritize candidates living in the Ottawa to Kingston corridor.

Preserving special places in our community