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Dear Mr. McConnell,

This letter is to verify that Wollaston Lake has been chosen to be one of the lakes from across the region in central Ontario to be involved in the pilot phase of the Blue Lakes Project.

The Blue Lakes Project, when launched, will become an ecolabel that is provided to lakes that adopt key stewardship principles and actions; and therefore which demonstrate standards of excellence in stewardship. The project is a partnership between The Land Between charity, and the developers of the Love Your Lake program, Watersheds Canada. Both organizations are recognized and reputable National Charities.

The project is being piloted before its broad release. This pilot phase is a culmination of seven years of development to mine and import all relevant lake health data within an agile database including water quality, fisheries and shoreline development. The data is then subjected to an analyses to determine the health of lakes in the region. The analyses and workings of the database have been peer reviewed by biologists and hydrologists, and other providers of the data, including from regional offices of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

The Pilot Phase of the project will work with lakes (through their lake associations) and with the support of emerging partners of Trent University, University of Ontario Institute of Technology, and other groups, to test the workings and features of the Blue Lakes database and mobile app.

Wollaston Lake was chosen as an ideal candidate for the pilot, as it is a sensitive cold water lake trout lake with ample data along with the capacity from a dedicated lake association in order assess its ongoing health and therefore the efficacy of the project parameters.

We look forward to working with Wollaston Lake.

Should you have any questions about this project and pilot phase, please contact me at the address contained herein.

Sincerely,

Leora Berman, COO and CoFounder, The Land Between charity