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Subject: Invasive Phragmites and Municipal Roads _ March 31

Dear Ms. Hamilton and Mr. Strader,

I am writing to you on behalf of Georgian Bay Forever and the Township of The Archipelago. We are jointly holding a free webinar on Wednesday March 31st at 1 pm on invasive *Phragmites* Road Management in the greater Georgian Bay Area.

The invasive *Phragmites* plant is a threat to road safety and infrastructure (asphalt, drainage). Also, if left untreated on the roads, this invasive plant not only SPREADS down the roads to inland and coastal wetlands threatening biodiversity and habitat - it threatens investments in mitigation made by volunteers, NGOs, and municipalities to remove this invasive plant on the coasts and elsewhere.

This is an important webinar for councillors, and municipal staff in charge of roads. Can you kindly extend/circulate this invitation to them?

The main objectives are to:

- Learn about Effective, Efficient and Environmentally Responsible Road Control Management for Invasive *Phragmites* from the Executive Director of the Invasive *Phragmites* Control Centre Janice M. Gilbert, Ph.D
- Find out the Status of Treatment of invasive *Phragmites* on highways in the greater Georgian Bay area from the Ontario Ministry of Transportation's James Corcoran (vegetation specialist and licenced forester).

To register, please click [here](#) or put this url in your browser.

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_kyP32MmhSimR3tB30vuEZw

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Kind regards,
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