## **MEDIA RELEASE**



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## McKellar involved in Climate Change – Carbon Calculator Survey

McKellar, ON - Township of McKellar Council, along with the Ad Hoc Committee on Lake Stewardship and the Environment, would like to encourage all our residents to complete GBBR's ICECAP Climate Change CO2 carbon calculator emission study. The survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

Council has joined with GBBR and other municipalities to deal with Climate Change through the ICECAP program. Their three-year plan is to determine what the CO2 emissions are in each community, set targets and develop a plan to meet or surpass those targets. Your involvement in completing the carbon calculator survey will greatly assist gathering this important baseline data from which to move forward. Ultimately, we hope through a collective effort we can reduce the carbon emission as part of the Climate Change movement.

Council will continue to give you an update on the Carbon Calculator project. Our Ad Hoc Committee is drafting a summary of facts relating to Climate Change, some ideas to take going forward and some actions for future consideration. We will have a public meeting on our committee recommendations next spring.

As an incentive for McKellar residents to participate in the survey, Steve Munro of Westwind Forest who is a resident of McKellar, has donated 300 white pine trees. The first 300 ratepayers that complete the Carbon Calculator questionnaire will receive one of the trees. We want to thank Steve Munro for such a generous environmental gesture. Thank you for taking the time to help us cope with the major issue of Climate Change which is affecting the quality of our lakes and the beauty of our surroundings.

You can complete the Carbon Calculator survey by going to <a href="https://www.gbbr.ca/carbon-calculator/">https://www.gbbr.ca/carbon-calculator/</a> Any questions, please contact coordinator, Ben John at <a href="mailto:climate@gbbr.ca">climate@gbbr.ca</a> or any member of the Environmental committee.

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