

# No Place For A Quarry

Community  
Information Session

August 25, 2021



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# No Place For A Quarry

- NPFAQ Board Catherine, Sandi, Mary, Peter, Jary, Andrew, and Madeleine
- Decision Making Process – Board Members Voting
- Community Support
- Fundraising



# Going to the Hearing

- Ontario Land Tribunal
- Hearing Process
  - begins Monday, September 20, 2021
- Scheduled for 36 days
- Order of Evidence (Quarry, County, NPFAQ, Reply)
- ARA Objectors
- Case Management Conference – September 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM



# Meet the Experts

## Expert Witnesses

- Karl Konze – Dougan & Associates - Ecology
- Dalila Giusti – Jade Acoustics - Noise
- Andrew Gibson – Wellness Tourism
- Dr. Richard Carmona – 17<sup>th</sup> Surgeon General of the United States
- Madeleine Marentette – CEO - Founder of Grail Springs
- Stefan Szczerbak – Planscape - Land Use Planning



# Meet the Experts

- Karl Konze – Dougan and Associates – Ecology

“The current plan would result in habitat loss with minimal efforts towards rehabilitation and management; the objective should be to improve and diversify habitats over the long term.”



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- Dalila Giusti – Jade Acoustics - Noise

“Simply meeting the MOE guidelines is not adequate as meeting the MOE sound level limits does not account for the impacts of the quarry and associated operations on Grail Springs operations.”



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“...allowing the OPA and rezoning of the subject lands to permit the proposed quarry, as currently designed, is not appropriate.”



# Meet the Experts

- Andrew Gibson – Wellness Tourism

“Humans require and seek in their lives, times and spaces for relaxation and stress-reducing experiences. Mental wellness, emotional wellness, physical and spiritual wellbeing for most, depends on those times and spaces. For almost 30 years, Grail Springs has successfully offered such opportunities and experiences.”



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- Andrew Gibson – Wellness Tourism

“Grail Springs has created and sustains upwards of 40 positions year-round - 80% held by women - both at entry level and specialized skills with zero winter layoffs (highly unusual in the Canadian Tourism sector) and contributing millions of dollars to the local economy year-round.”

“The need and demand for these services and facilities has continued to increase, and post COVID they are likely to significantly expand.”



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- Andrew Gibson – Wellness Tourism

“Grails Springs Retreat Centre for Wellbeing plays a significant role in fulfilling this demand, and has a significant economic impact, driven by a diverse and committed workforce, the majority of whom are women. It is also a key determinant for the future of such facilities in its area, in the province of Ontario and Canada. The proposed quarry is incompatible with the success, and with survival, of Grail Springs Retreat Center for Wellbeing, and the proposal should not be approved.”



# Meet the Experts

- Dr. Richard Carmona – 17<sup>th</sup> Surgeon General of the United States

“It is wellness organizations like Grail Springs, who, by providing education and a unique experience in a safe, quiet, and healthy haven are contributing to improving the quality and quantity of life while decreasing healthcare costs.”



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“To be successful in our common vision, the geographic location must be one free of noise and physical distractions, for mindfulness, meditation and other necessary activities require this for the desired improved health outcomes.”



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“Grail Springs has become a much desired retreat for thousands of guests annually from around the world. Along with the major health benefits, Grail Springs has a significant economic impact, driven by a diverse committed workforce, the majority of whom are women.”



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- Dr. Richard Carmona – 17<sup>th</sup> Surgeon General of the United States

“... Grail Springs, by its reputation and long history, is well positioned to contribute, grow and prosper in the huge, rapidly expanding, global wellness market currently valued at \$4.5 trillion. I would hope that Ontario and Canada will do all it can to enhance Grail Springs potential by ensuring that the geographic area remains free of distraction.”



# Meet the Experts

- Madeleine Marentette – CEO - Founder of Grail Springs
- First property in Canada certified by the Healing Hotels of the World, Cologne Germany
- Five-time recipient ‘Canada’s Best Wellness Retreat’ – World Travel Spa Awards 2016-2020
- Canadian Parliament House of Commons, twice recognized for contributions to tourism and events promoting women in business, women’s rights and mental and physical wellbeing



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- Madeleine Marentette – CEO and Founder of Grail Springs
- Member Global Wellness Institute & Global Wellness Summit Attendee, Austria, USA, Italy
- April 2021 – Founder and CEO Madeleine Marentette nominated 'Women of Influence' by the Royal Bank of Canada, Canadian Entrepreneur Awards



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## Who Grail Springs Serves

- 2750-3000 visitors annually, consistent 85-95% occupancy year-round
- 80% provincial, 15% national, 5% international (majority US)
- Age group 35 – 65
- 85% female, 15% male
- 35% repeat – loyalty program, 65% new business



# Meet the Experts

- Stefan Szczerbak – Planscape – Land Use Planners

“In my opinion, those adverse impacts, described in the Carmona, Gibson, Giusti and Konze WS’s will create an incompatible situation between the surrounding and established sensitive land uses in the immediate community.”



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“In summary, upon review of the documents noted in Section 2 of this reply witness statement and after attending the proposed quarry site, Freymond Lumber operation, Grail Springs and a driving tour of the immediate area, it continues to be my professional planning opinion that the proposed application seeking to amend the County Official Plan to establish a new quarry operation, not be upheld as the OPA:



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- Stefan Szczerbak – Planscape – Land Use Planners
- a) is NOT Consistent with the 2020 Provincial Policy Statement;
- b) does NOT conform to the 2009 & 2018 Official Plans of the County of Hastings;
- c) does NOT have appropriate regard to the matters set out in Sections 1, 2 of the Planning Act; and
- d) does not represent good planning as the impacts of the proposed use will have significant negative impacts on the current economic, social and environmental fabric within the immediate community.



# Budget Overview

## No Place For A Quarry

### Income and Expense Statement

2015 to August 15, 2021

#### Income to date:

Kawartha Credit	76,224.00
Bank Interest	36.01
GoFundMe	16,596.00
SmallChangeFund	24,770.00
<b>Total Income to Date:</b>	<b>117,626.01</b>

#### Sources of Total Income to date:

Pubic Donations/Fundraisers:	67,926.01
Grail Springs Retreat for Wellbeing Inc	49,700.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>117,626.01</b>



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### Paid Expenses to Date

#### Paid Expenses to Date:

Bank Service Fees	222.65
GoFundMe Fees	490.48
SmallChangeFund Fees	4,023.49
Office Supplies	46.73
Ads/Printer	1,299.13
Donnelly Legal Fees	5,000.00
Donnelly Legal Fees	15,000.00
Donnelly Legal Fees reversed	15,000.00 -
MacKenzie Fees – consultant	1,695.00
Gillespie Legal Fees	43,249.26
Ramsey Planning	2,217.63
True North Safety – traffic study	1,695.00



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## No Place For A Quarry

### Paid Expenses to Date continued

### Total Expenses Paid to Date

Tomlinson – economic impact study	2,825.00
Adam Found – economic impact study	2,500.00
Dougan & Assoc – environmental study	16,927.33
Coulter & Assoc – acoustical expert	11,761.24
Planscape – planning expert	13,441.71
Jade Acoustics – sound expert	6,229.13
One Share Kawartha Credit	25.00
<b>Total expenses paid to date:</b>	<b>113,648.78</b>



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**Monthly pledges 1<sup>st</sup> of each month starting September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021:**

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NPFAQ board members                            2,050.00

Public    300.00

Grail Springs Retreat Centre for Wellbeing Inc.    2,350.00

**Total pledges per month:**                            **4,700.00**



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### Additional Studies and Witness Statements

#### PAID BY Private Citizens & Businesses

**Additional Studies and Witness Statements paid by private citizens and businesses  
(expenses not incurred by NPFAQ):**

HydroG Study - James Cunningham	8,500.00
Greenview Environment – Grail Springs	1,000.00
Jade Acoustics – Grail Springs	16,374.82

#### TO BE PAID by Private Citizens & Businesses

**Additional Witness Statements to be paid by private citizens and businesses  
(expenses not incurred by NPFAQ):**

Jade Acoustics – Grail Springs	19,372.16
Jade Acoustics hearing – Grail Springs	undetermined
Dr. Richard Carmona – Grail Springs	12,500.00
Andrew Gibson Wellness Tourism – Grail Springs	4,000.00



# Fundraising & Financial Picture

- Expenses and Fundraising To Date
- What we've spent so far
- How much more we need to raise for the hearing



# Question & Answer

- Please type your questions into the chat and select “Hosts and Co-Hosts” and press enter.



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