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## Soil & Water Conservation Society of Metro Halifax (SWCSMH)

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To: Chair and Members, Harbour East Community Council

(HECC), HRM

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Chairman and Scientific Director

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Subject: Alter the Terms-of-Reference (T-o-R) of the Dartmouth Lakes

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(All our URLs are case-sensitive)

<u>Urgent recommendation</u>: We herewith respectfully request that you alter/expand the Terms-of-Reference (T-o-R) of the Dartmouth Lakes Advisory Board (DLAB) to vastly enhance its competence at the <u>pragmatic levels</u>! And allow unrepresented science-based groups and pragmatic (i.e., non back-seat) professionals and scientists in the domain of limnology and geotechnical engineering to be a part of the said DLAB!

Kindly recall that it is indeed our selfless research in theoretical and applied limnology that several paid consultants, Government agencies, select stakeholder groups within the area governed by your Community Council (HECC) in addition to rest of HRM, are utilizing for their own benefit. And we can prove several

## instances to you at a legal/quasi-legal investigation if invited to do so!

We are unaware of any research conducted by the DLAB in the domain of theoretical and/or applied limnology in the thirty-five (35) years that they have been extant!

Even some members of the said DLAB and/or their employers have utilized our research to various degrees; e.g., the <u>Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans</u> (<u>DFO</u>), and a past student or two of the <u>Geography Department of St. Mary's University</u>, as far as we are aware of.

## Rationale:

The Dartmouth Lakes Advisory Board (DLAB) has been quite parochial and has been ineffective as proven over the last two (2) whole decades! The vast majority of severely stressed lakes within HRM are indeed within the jurisdictional domain of the DLAB!

We strongly suggest that the Terms-of-Reference (T-o-R) of the DLAB be altered dramatically to embrace, at the least, the fundamental philosophy and openness of the Halifax Watershed Advisory Board (HWAB) --- see <a href="http://lakes.chebucto.org/WAB/hwab.html">http://lakes.chebucto.org/WAB/hwab.html</a> where you will find the activities of the HWAB lodged in our web space pursuant to several decisions of the HWAB!

Stylle.