



# PROTECT YOUR SHARE!

**YOU** can help expand Lost Bay Nature Reserve!



“I’ve been taking students from grade 3 to grade 8 to Lost Bay Nature Reserve every year and it’s always a highlight for them—and for me! Every time we go, we see something different and learn something new. And kids find their own inspiration and curiosity. One thing we always do is pull the invasive garlic mustard. It’s actually very rewarding to feel that root tug right out, and know that you’ve done your part to stop it. It’s direct and tangible learning for kids too. Kids are always living in the moment, and being able to give them moments in nature is the best part of my job.

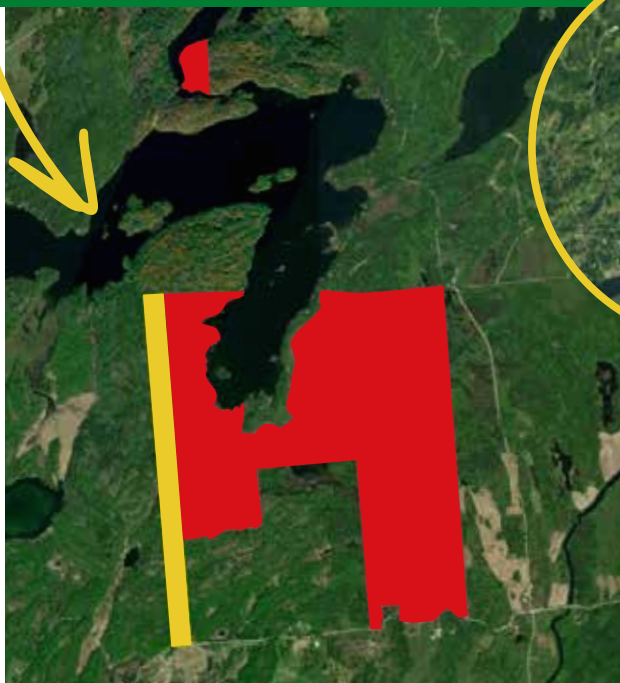


It’s amazing to me to see nature in its own state at Lost Bay. You don’t see that very often anymore, and **we have to do everything we can to protect what we have left.**”

**Lisa, Teacher, Gananoque**



**YOU CAN HELP** Ontario Nature purchase a 50-acre parcel of land to expand our Lost Bay Nature Reserve and protect precious habitat in the Frontenac Arch forever.



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- **Current Lost Bay Nature Reserve**

But what it's meant to me is a lifetime of hiking in the woods, climbing up over granite ridges and down through narrow valleys with streams and beaver ponds full of frogs and turtles. I love looking at the rugged scrubby pitch pine trees, at the far northern end of their range, scraping out their lives on bare granite ledges. And the diversity of birds—ever since I was a kid we delighted in hearing the songbirds in migration, watching large rafts of ducks, hawks and osprey soaring in the sky, and listening to the whip-poor-wills at night.



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“ I grew up here, and my family has lived here for generations. **This area captures what is remarkable about the Frontenac Arch—the remains of billion-year-old mountain tops, the river, marshes, and plants and animals that have lived here for thousands of years.** It's the convergence of two great natural migration paths. The result is one of the most biodiverse areas in Canada for flora and fauna as the northern Canadian Shield forests and southern Carolinian influences meet.

**It's an urgent priority for us to protect this area now.** No matter where you live in Ontario, you can be part of protecting a special place so that wildlife can thrive, and so that future generations can have natural areas to visit and learn about nature.”



**Dan, Ontario Nature Board Member and Donor**