



## Project Proposal

The Education and Projects Committee of Friends of Madge Lake (FOML) needs your help. With “lake season” in full swing, project opportunities may be obvious to you and it is an opportune time to suggest them.

To date, FOML has been involved in some great projects, including paving the tennis court, signage, no-wake marker buoys, and the dog park. One of our goals going forward is to identify projects which better capture the breadth of the mission of FOML, which can be found on the following page.

Our direct fund-raising efforts have been hampered by the Covid restrictions, so our budget has limited capacity for new projects immediately. However, we now have a committee focused on seeking grants which has great potential. Our goal is to identify some priority projects and then ask the grants committee to start exploring opportunities. Due to the various grant application and review processes, it will be a longer-term effort which may take a year or two to try to secure funding for some projects. Also, there have been some preliminary project ideas discussed which will take some effort but are relatively low cost and can happen relatively quickly. Feel free to suggest projects which are short or longer term in delivery and are relatively inexpensive or more capital intensive.

Although you can submit ideas at any time through the year, *we would like to receive some initial ideas by August 24, 2021.*

The form on page 3 is not intended to be onerous or generate too much up-front work, but we are seeking enough information to ensure we understand the scope of the project to aid us in the evaluation. For ease of reference, the mission statement and the core benefits that projects will be evaluated against are included below. The committee will take the projects forward to the Board of Directors for direction on priorities.

Please put on your thinking caps and give us some fresh ideas to work with. Feel free to resubmit any projects that were suggested in previous years which you still feel are important for us to consider.

## **FOML Mission:**

In collaboration with our partners, Friends of Madge Lake (FOML) is a charitable organization that raises funds to **promote** health and well-being, **foster an appreciation** and understanding of the natural environment and **enhance** the educational, recreational, and interpretative programs and facilities of Duck Mountain Provincial Park.

All suggested projects must now qualify under one or more of FOML's Core Benefits. The FOML Board of Directors will examine each project proposal to ensure it qualifies.

## **Core Benefits:**

- 1) Health and Well-being:** FOML wants all visitors to the Park to feel more connected to nature, our community and our families through inclusive recreational, educational and cultural programs, services and events.
- 2) Safety and Stewardship:** Renewing and improving infrastructure ensures safe and natural public spaces are maintained throughout the park. Preserving and protecting the ecosystem ensures the forest environment, wildlife and waterfowl will be available for public use and enjoyment into the future.
- 3) Education:** Through education, the general public will increase their understanding and knowledge of the forest environment, wildlife and waterfowl within the park. We promote initiatives that address physical inactivity and sedentary behaviour among all ages and abilities

## **Please submit your project proposals as follows:**

- ◆ Fill out the fillable PDF form on the next page;
- ◆ Send via the on-line submission button at the bottom of the form; or
- ◆ Save as a PDF file and email to *friendsofmadgelake@gmail.com*; or
- ◆ Print and drop off at Treats and Treasures store (open 11-5 daily), or to one of the FOML Board members; or
- ◆ Print and mail to Friends of Madge Lake, Box 357, Kamsack, SK S0A 1S0

***Thank you for your interest and submission.***

## FOML Project Proposal

Please provide as much information as possible.

### Contact information:

Name:

Date submitted:

Phone:

Email address:

### Description of proposed project:

**Which Core Values (see previous page)\_does this project represent and why do you think this project meets these values?**

### Potential partners:

**Financial** - do you know of any grants available or companies willing to donate to the project?

**Are you willing to help with this project?**

**Yes**

**No**

### Estimated cost of the project:

Please submit information on any online research that you have done for costing

***Note:** Projects may take several years of fundraising, grant submissions etc. before they come to fruition. Friends can identify donations to projects that have been approved by the FOML Board. Those funds will then be restricted for that use.*

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