



**Research and Opportunities and Needs Fair in Ontario's Parks and Protected Areas
Latornell Conservation Symposium – Nottawasaga Inn, Alliston, Ontario
Wednesday, November 18, 5:00-7:00pm
Rooms 1, 2 & 3**

The Centre for Applied Science in Ontario Protected Areas (CASIOPA) is a research consortium that includes Parks Canada, Ontario Parks, the Environment Commissioner of Ontario, and Ontario Universities and Colleges. Established as a successor to the Parks Research Forum of Ontario (PRFO), it has just begun its mandate to facilitate research at broad and individual protected area scales in Ontario. One of CASIOPA's goals is to help "match" research needs of parks or zones in Ontario with researchers and their expertise.

This session is intended to further that goal by inviting representatives from all existing and potential partners to attend an event that will be part workshop and part exhibition. Personnel working in the field of Ontario protected areas are invited to set up at booths and discuss their opportunities with attendees at the Symposium. No formal timed presentations will be needed and attendees can be assured they may drop in as their schedule permits, but we emphasize that this is the best chance for those looking for research opportunities (undergraduate level to professorial level) to have direct contact with parks and protected areas personnel. They will be available to answer questions on locations, habitat types, support available, and research interests.

This will be a great opportunity to make contacts, further research interests, and network with Ontario's Protected Area managers.

The Latornell Conservation Symposium is to be held on November 18-20th, 2009 at the Nottawasaga Inn, Alliston, Ontario. More information on the Symposium can be found at: <http://www.latornell.ca/>

We look forward to seeing you at the Symposium!

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