

## 2022 Phragmites Control Program

Following successful projects completed in 2021 by FOCA member Associations with Green Shovels Collaborative funding, FOCA is pleased to issue a **new call for funding proposals from member Associations, for on-the-ground Projects focused on invasive Phragmites, to start this summer and to be completed by February 2023.** See below for program and submission details.

## 2022 Association Projects

FOCA seeks participation from our Member Associations across the province to run Projects addressing invasive Phragmites control at the local level. Associations will be provided funds and/or resources to conduct on-the-ground Projects focused on **Phragmites Identification, Control, Management, and Eradication.** Examples include:

*(e.g., Contribute to research trials to test efficacy of invasive species control, purchasing equipment or technical services hire an external contractor to assist with identification, management or eradication of Phragmites.)* Visit FOCA's webpage highlighting Pilot Projects that were completed as part of the broader Invasive Species Program for more ideas: <https://foca.on.ca/2017-foca-aquatic-invasive-species-program/>

FOCA will provide eligible Associations with funding and/or resources that will be used to carry out the Projects. **Projects may be funded up to \$4,000 for eligible expenses.**



Funding recipients will be required to submit a **final report** to FOCA, outlining project expenditures, and submitting photos and stories to demonstrate how the Project has achieved goals in the priority areas indicated on the next page. More details will be provided if your Project is selected.

**TO APPLY:** Complete the fields on the next page, and submit your proposal by **Friday, July 29th** at 11:59 p.m. by email to [programs@foca.on.ca](mailto:programs@foca.on.ca). Important: your email should include the Subject Line: **2022 Phragmites Project Proposal.** FOCA will review all proposals received by July 29th, 2022 and will notify the selected associations by August 5th, 2022. Projects will be selected based on feasibility, the funds required, and whether the Project activities fall within the categories outlined above.

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The **Green Shovels Collaborative** (GSC; <https://www.greenshovels.ca/>) is a coalition of conservation organizations that includes FOCA, Ducks Unlimited Canada, Invasive Species Centre, Nature Conservancy of Canada, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, and the Ontario Invasive Plant Council. FOCA and our "Green Shovels" partners are very concerned about the potential impacts of invasive Phragmites and the effect they will have on our quality of life in Ontario.



# Project Proposal: 2022 FOCA Phragmites Control Program

*\* This document is a fillable PDF that can be completed, saved to your computer, and returned to FOCA by email.*

Applicant Lake Association Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Township/Waterbody: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Description** (*current state on-the-ground; proposed costs, actions; expected outcomes*):

**Priorities to be addressed by the Project:** (*select all that apply*)

- Equipment and materials** (e.g., backpack sprayers, misc. parts, spades, cane cutters, small boats, rafts, health and safety supplies, personal protective equipment, etc.)
- Winter control implementation**, if completed by February 1st, 2023 (e.g., prescribed burns, cutting, rolling – Projects must follow Phragmites [best management practices](#))
- Project Team and Volunteer Development** (e.g., skills training and development, program and capacity building, training events, etc.)
- Control Implementation and Management Planning** (e.g., consultant fees, identification surveys, control plans, budgets, partner engagement, long-term maintenance, and sustainability plans, etc.)

**Total funding request** (equipment, materials, consultant/training fees): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Estimated Project completion date:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Applicant agrees to provide a **Final Project Report** including photos; receipts for purchase of materials, equipment or consulting services; and an estimation of total volunteer hours contributed by participants, together with any additional non-monetary support from other sources (earned media coverage, etc.).

*If you have any questions prior to submitting your Project Proposal, contact Deanna Forgie, FOCA Program Coordinator at [programs@foca.on.ca](mailto:programs@foca.on.ca).*

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**Project Proposals are due by 11:59 p.m. on July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**

Email this completed form to [programs@foca.on.ca](mailto:programs@foca.on.ca) with the email subject line:

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