

News Release

TOMLINSON HELPS RVCA TURN SAFELY

MANOTICK, November 26, 2007 — The new Rideau Valley Conservation Centre at the corner of Prince of Wales Drive and Rideau Valley Drive in Manotick is nearing completion. It is scheduled for occupancy by Rideau Valley Conservation Authority (RVCA) staff on Monday, December 10 following a week or so of commissioning of all of the new systems (heating, lighting, wiring, telephone, air circulation).

R.W. Tomlinson Limited, a longtime friend of the Conservation Authority, provided a major gift towards completion of the Rideau Valley Conservation Centre when building the left turn lane on Rideau Valley Drive at the entrance to Beryl Gaffney Park. Tomlinson is pleased to help bring the most environmentally-friendly public building in the City of Ottawa to our area. And RVCA is proud to acknowledge and publicly thank R.W. Tomlinson Limited for their donation of services.

The business and residential community situated around the present RVCA offices on Dickinson Square in the historic core of old Manotick will be relieved (although they're too polite to say so) to have a little more parking space for themselves and their customers and a little less traffic to deal with on a daily basis. About 60 professional RVCA staff members are moving three kilometres up the road to the new building. RVCA is encouraging less car usage at the new building by providing prime parking spots for carpooling staff as well as bike racks and shower facilities for the more adventurous.

It is expected that the Rideau Valley Conservation Centre will quickly become an environmental business hub in the southern Ottawa area for septic system approvals, planning and regulation matters, water quality monitoring, fish habitat inquiries, municipal environmental meetings, source water protection planning, stewardship inquiries such as tree planting or shoreline naturalization and many other requests about protection of the Rideau and its watershed.

The Rideau Valley Conservation Centre is scheduled to be open for conservation business on Tuesday, December 11 following staff move-in on the 10th. It may take several days to get fully functional in the new surroundings.

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