

Shoreline Preservation by law – Proposed

What the By Law Does and Is

1. The Shoreline Protection Bylaw will provide, *going forward*, an environmentally responsible approach to the removal of natural vegetation from the land 30 meters* from the high-water mark.
2. It protects responsible lakefront property owners from those who would seek to clear-cut their shorelines in the future
3. Restricts the removal of trees of a diameter less than that specified in the Shoreline Tree Bylaw
4. Restricts the removal of native shrubs & vegetation

In short, only those who seek to over-cut their shorelines will be affected.

The proposed by law largely includes and clarifies existing strategies, rules, and regulations around waterfront and shoreline development in Haliburton County

- Shoreline Tree Bylaw
- County of Haliburton and Township Official Plans
- Ontario Public Land Act (OMNRF Regulations)
- Climate Change Strategy
- Oceans & Fisheries legislation and guidelines
- Health – Septic System Permits
- Development – Building Permits

What is does not do

1. It does not require remediation of properties that were cleared in the past; buildings in the protected area are grandfathered

