

Toronto's Public Urban Wilderness









Early Construction

- Construction began in 1959 by Toronto Harbour Commission
- Expand port related facilities
- Dispose of rubble and fill from the construction industry
- Create opportunities for dredged material disposal







Ecological Significance

The ecological health of the shoreline and adjacent watersheds are closely connected and dependant on Tommy **Don River** Watershed Thompson Park **Portlands Tommy Thompson** Park **Toronto Islands** TORONTO REGIONAL CONTEXT MAP

















































Approximately 250,000 people visit TTP annually



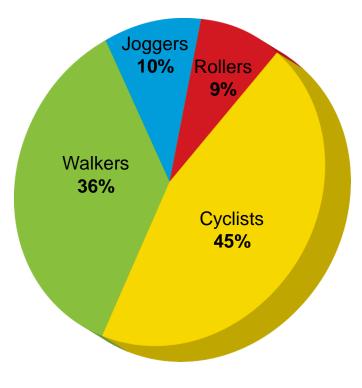














Multi-Use

- Designed for multiple uses
- Asphalt for maximum durability

Primary Pedestrian Level 1

- Designed for pedestrian use only
- Conflict and accidents reduced
- 3.7 km complete

Primary Pedestrian Level 2

- Improved surface for pedestrian use only
- 2.6 km

Nature Viewing

- Grass or existing surface
- 3.2 km complete





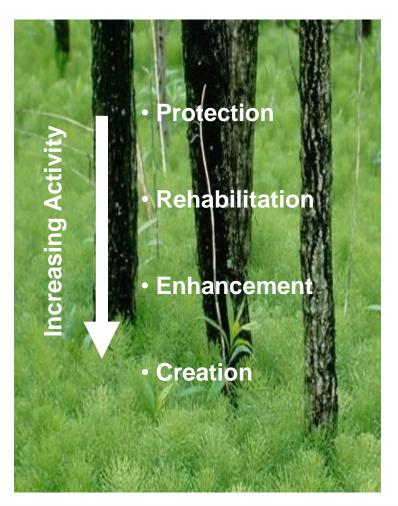


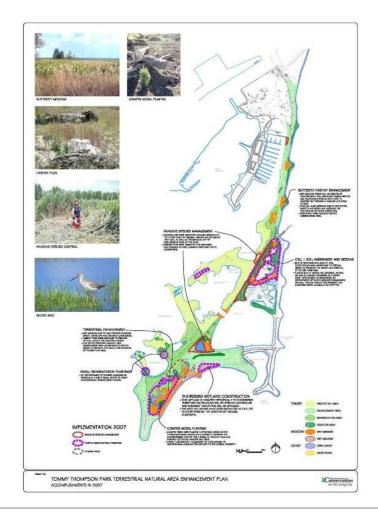






Natural Area Enhancement Plan







Created Habitats











Essential Habitat Enhancements





















Staff Booth and Interpretive Area

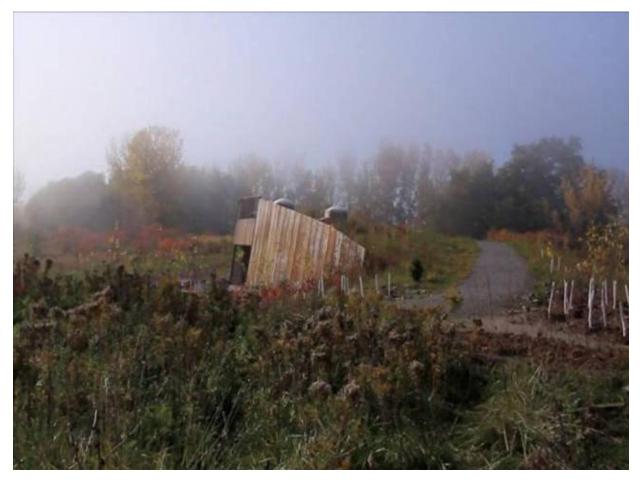








Environmental Shelter











Ecological Research Station & Interpretive Area











Festival Highlights

- 315 bird species
- Bird Hikes
- Bird banding demonstrations
- **Baillie Birdathon**
- Bateman's Get To Know Contest launch







Sunday Morning Bird Walks

April 7 to June 9, 2013 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Guided bird hikes at TTP every Sunday morning during spring migration. Search for birds along the nature trails to the Tommy Thompson Park Bird Research Station.



TommyThompsonPark Saturday August 24, 2013 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tommy Thompson Park is a great place to see a wide variety of butterflies and moths amongst colourful wildflowers. August is the time when Monarchs, are gathering together to venture south for the winter. There will be many activities at this annual festival including guided butterfly hikes and fun activities for children. For more details visit www.butterflyfest.ca