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City announces Fall intake recipients for Sustainability Grants program

The City of Vernon is pleased to announce the recipients of Sustainability Grants for the 2022 Fall intake period. At its Regular Meeting today, Council endorsed two community-led projects to receive funding: *Precious Plastic Cap Recycling* and *The Wetlands of Vernon*.

Precious Plastic Cap Recycling (\$1,000 grant)

Submitted by Sidney Kwakkel, this project is aimed at diverting plastics (namely bottle caps) from the landfill. By re-purposing un-labelled plastics and creating plastic feedstocks, this initiative hopes to reduce plastics in our environment.

The Wetlands of Vernon (\$1,000 grant)

Submitted by Harold Sellers, this project is aimed at identifying and describing wetlands within the City, with a goal of providing useful information for conservation, stewardship, and education. This project will be a joint venture by members of the North Okanagan Naturalists Club and Fulton Secondary high-school students.

“Supporting environment sustainability projects is an important part of maintaining ecosystems health and is an exciting opportunity for our community members to connect with one another,” said Mayor Victor Cumming. “I look forward to seeing how these projects positively impact our City”.

For further information on the Sustainability Grants program, visit www.vernon.ca/sustainability.