

**This Christmas talk to your family
about giving something permanent.**

Old Baldy has watched over **Charleston Lake** **for eons. Now it's our turn.**



On top of Old Baldy, Michael McAdoo

Old Baldy by Don & Marnie Ross

OLD BALDY FOREVER

Old Baldy, the stoic face etched by nature on the side of the cliff is the premier icon of beautiful Charleston Lake, the guardian spirit of the lake. But he also guards the cliff-faced front of 130 acres of rich mixed forest and wetland.

Back in 2010, preliminary plan approval was given to create new cottage lots on the land above and behind Old Baldy. But two Charleston Lake families, Jackie & Ray Heffernan and Theodora & Michael McAdoo, committed to conserve these lands through the Nature Conservancy of Canada—if enough funds are raised.

Together let's make this a forever for Charleston. The Nature Conservancy of Canada and the Frontenac Arch Natural Area partners are working to preserve Old Baldy—but we need your help.

ECOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Old Baldy is a 130 acres (52 hectares) property on Charleston Lake. Its impressive undeveloped shoreline is connected to nearby wetlands and is near Charleston Lake Provincial Park. It hosts a variety of at-risk species, such as Eastern musk turtles, Five-linked skinks (Ontario's only lizard) and Cerulean warblers. The property is in the UNESCO Frontenac Arch Biosphere, part of a world-wide network of 628 Biosphere Reserves in 119 countries. It is the crossroads of the continent where five forest regions meet, creating a great richness of plant, insect and animal species—making it the most biodiverse region in Canada, and a place of incredible beauty.

Habitat Type: Hardwood & mixed forest, wetlands and lake shore
Size: 130 acres (52 hectares)
Our Fundraising Goal: \$190,000 (currently committed \$31,000)
Anticipated Closing Date: February 2015

Description: Spectacular high granite dome overlooking Charleston Lake with sheer 100 foot cliffs. Atop the dome is a rich hardwood forest and a series of wetlands including beaver ponds, streams, wooded swamps and vernal pools.

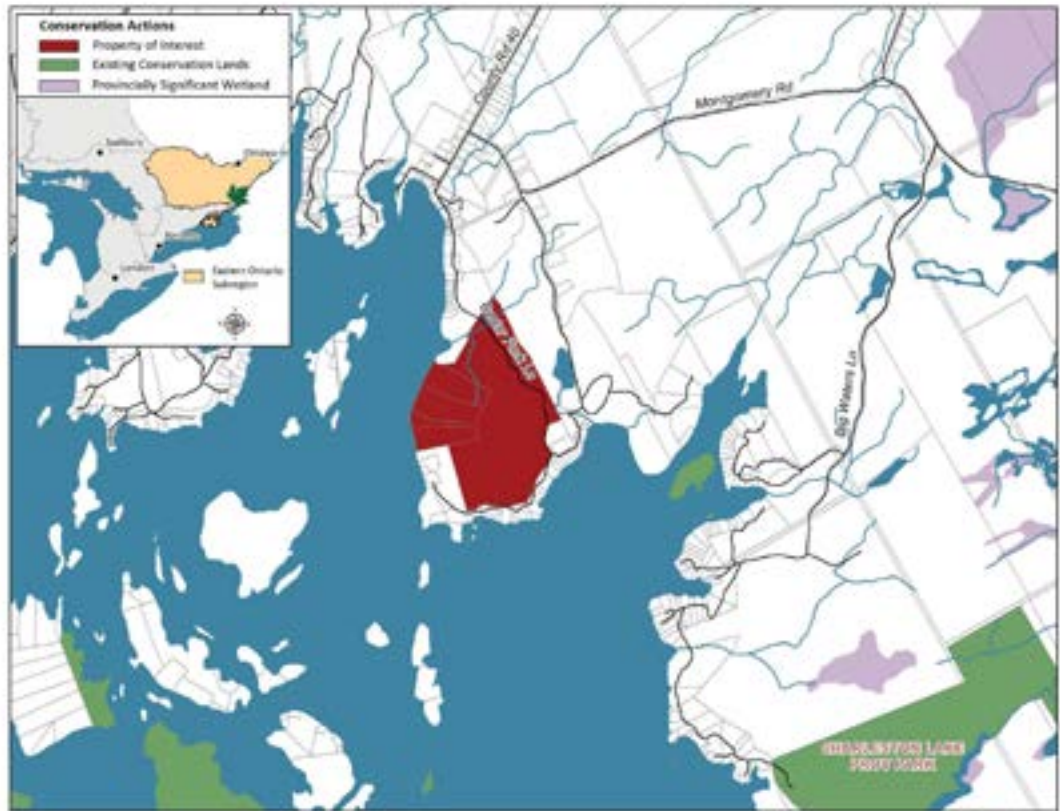
COLLABORATION IN ACTION

The Frontenac Arch Natural Area partners include a collaborative group interested in the protection of iconic landscape and valuable habitat. Our partners include the Thousands Islands Watershed Land Trust, Leeds-Grenville Stewardship Council, Charleston Lake Provincial Park, Friends of Charleston Lake Provincial Park, the Algonquin to Adirondacks Collaborative, Charleston Lake Association, The Nature Conservancy of Canada and the Frontenac Arch Biosphere.

Help protect Canada's heritage today and make the long-term conservation of the Old Baldy property a reality. Donors of \$10,000 may wish to be recognized or put their gift in the name of a loved one who will be named on the property.



Old Baldy Property on Charleston Lake



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