

8. STATUS REPORT
OTTAWA-CARLETON DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

DOCUMENTATION

1. Ottawa-Carleton Disaster Relief Co-Chair's report dated 08 Nov 99 is immediately attached.
2. Extract of Draft Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee Minute, 16 Nov 99, immediately follows the report and includes a record of the vote.

REGION OF OTTAWA-CARLETON
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REPORT
RAPPORT

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DATE	8 November 1999
TO/DEST.	Co-ordinator Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee
FROM/EXP.	Co-Chair Ottawa-Carleton Disaster Relief Committee
SUBJECT/OBJET	STATUS REPORT OTTAWA-CARLETON DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council receive this report for information.

PURPOSE

To report to the Region of Ottawa-Carleton on the work of the Ottawa-Carleton Disaster Relief Committee and the Eastern Ontario Disaster Relief Committee.

BACKGROUND

Following the Ice Storm of January 1998, a disaster relief committee was formed in Ottawa-Carleton, and in the seven (7) other regions of Eastern Ontario affected by the ice storm, to administer the Province's Disaster Relief Program. A list of members appointed to the Ottawa-Carleton Disaster Relief Committee is attached as Annex 'C'.

The dual mandate of each disaster relief committee was to raise funds and to receive and settle claims in accordance with criteria established under the Program. In order to ensure consistency across Eastern Ontario, an "umbrella" committee was created to co-ordinate the disaster relief effort, rendering the local disaster relief committees largely inactive

Approximately 30,000 claims, valued at about 100 million dollars, were received by the due date of June 15, 1998. The final batch of claims settlements were approved on October 1, 1999.

The Eastern Ontario Disaster Relief Committee is presently undergoing federal and provincial audits and a provincial program review is in the process of winding up operations.

On Thursday, November 4, 1999, the Ottawa-Carleton Disaster Relief Committee held its final committee meeting.

CONSULTATION

None required.

Approved by
Linda Seguin
LS/lf

Attach. (3)

CLAIMS APPROVED BY EODRC

October 29, 1999

COMMITTEE	# Claims Paid	Part-time Business (50/50 Fed/Prov)	Part-time Farms/Agr.Soc. (50/50 Fed/Prov)	DFA (Federal)	ODRAP (Province + Fundraising)	TOTAL	# Claims Ineligible
EODRC - SUMMARY							
PRIVATE PROPERTY				18,066,559.76	2,500,848.57	20,567,408.33	
FARM			4,316,944.33	15,511,687.07	4,365,170.19	24,193,801.59	
SMALL BUSINESS		1,041,250.21		3,893,221.95	335,849.23	5,270,321.39	
NON-PROFIT			52,067.54	662,300.89	161,947.82	876,316.25	
NON-COMMERCIAL RURAL					2,331,042.29	2,331,042.29	
TOTALS	25,568	1,041,250.21	4,369,011.87	38,133,769.67	9,694,858.10	53,238,889.85	4,132
ODRAP (DISCOUNTED 10%)					8,725,372.29	52,269,404.04	
% of Total	86%				16.7%		14%
OTTAWA CARLETON							
PRIVATE PROPERTY				3,559,139.96	395,118.09	3,954,258.05	
FARM			608,597.85	2,097,456.66	489,788.44	3,195,842.95	
SMALL BUSINESS		130,593.25		763,562.98	47,227.40	941,383.63	
NON-PROFIT				176,517.53	33,346.58	209,864.11	
NON-COMMERCIAL RURAL					420,125.61	420,125.61	
TOTALS	3,950	130,593.25	608,597.85	6,596,677.13	1,385,606.12	8,721,474.35	799
ODRAP (DISCOUNTED 10%)					1,247,045.51	8,582,913.74	
% of Total	83%				14.5%		17%
FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT							
Balance, 31 October 99		8,682,567.62					

All figures, 100¢/\$1

OTTAWA CARLETON
CLAIMSPHASES I and II
October 29, 1999

	Federal	Province + Fundraising	Part-time Farm/Agr. Societies	Part-time Businesses	TOTAL PAID	# Claims Paid	# Claims Ineligible
PRIVATE PROPERTY							
Emergency Costs	491,290.32	40,994.68			532,285.00		
Add. Living Expenses	307,425.44	35,973.67			343,399.11		
Clean-up	1,995,992.05	77,614.39			2,073,606.44		
Damage to Structures	707,919.17	61,759.75			769,678.92		
Appliances	38,173.28	10,803.89			48,977.17		
Essential Furnishings	18,339.70	126,836.11			145,175.81		
Extreme Financial Hard.		28,827.73			28,827.73		
Extra. Unusual Claims		12,307.87			12,307.87		
TOTAL	3,559,139.96	395,118.09	0.00	0.00	3,954,258.05		
FARMS							
Emergency Costs	281,139.02	43,472.13	30,919.29		355,530.44		
Add. Operating Expenses	21,310.07	2,257.79	1,824.67		25,392.53		
Clean-up	381,339.83	87,935.87	251,644.29		720,919.99		
Damage to Structures	701,358.26	100,926.46	117,649.59		919,934.31		
Damage to Equipment	97,865.96	13,774.04	75,842.06		187,482.06		
Livestock	215,498.18	8,955.70	23,976.25		248,430.13		
Crops	371,261.01	220,214.96	103,266.70		694,742.67		
Inventory	27,684.33	6,251.49	3,475.00		37,410.82		
Extreme Financial Hard.		6,000.00			6,000.00		
Extra. Unusual Claims					0.00		
TOTAL	2,097,456.66	489,788.44	608,597.85	0.00	3,195,842.95		
SMALL BUSINESS							
Emergency Costs	80,364.45	6,703.87		4,232.33	91,300.65		
Add. Operating Expenses	6,187.81			656.35	6,844.16		
Clean-up	393,140.71	10,679.93		52,812.87	456,633.51		
Damage to Structures	92,036.21	1,302.03		66,882.52	160,220.76		
Essential Equipment	61,244.33	2,223.38		3,892.44	67,360.15		
Inventory	130,589.47	1,882.79		2,116.74	134,589.00		
Extreme Fin. Hardship		24,435.40			24,435.40		
Extra. Unusual Claims					0.00		
TOTAL	763,562.98	47,227.40	0.00	130,593.25	941,383.63		
NON-PROFIT							
Emergency Costs	562.75				562.75		
Add. Operating Expenses					0.00		
Cleanup	6,139.78	6,746.25			12,886.03		
Damage to Structures	154,999.56	26,200.33			181,199.89		
Essential Equipment	1,995.08	250.00			2,245.08		
Inventory	12,820.36	150.00			12,970.36		
Extreme Fin. Hardship					0.00		
Extra. Unusual Claims					0.00		
TOTAL	176,517.53	33,346.58	0.00	0.00	209,864.11		
NON COMMERCIAL RURAL							
Emergency Costs		426.04			426.04		
Add. Operating Expenses		473.00			473.00		
Clean-up		52,479.22			52,479.22		
Damage to Structures		84,965.47			84,965.47		
Damage to Equipment		27,972.16			27,972.16		
Livestock		2,584.36			2,584.36		
Crops		251,225.36			251,225.36		
Inventory					0.00		
Extreme Financial Hard.					0.00		
Extra. Unusual Claims					0.00		
TOTAL	0.00	420,125.61	0.00	0.00	420,125.61		
GRAND TOTAL (\$)	6,596,677.13	1,385,606.12	608,597.85	130,593.25	8,721,474.35	3950	799
GRAND TOTAL (# CLAIMS)						4,749	

OTTAWA-CARLETON DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE



NAME	NOMINATED BY
¹ Linda Seguin (CO-CHAIR)	REGION
² John Harris (CO-CHAIR)	NEPEAN
³ Larry Lesage	KANATA
Jean Pigott (original Co-Chair)	REGION
Ted Proulx (original Co-Chair)	VANIER
Pierre Bergeron	REGION
Joyce Stewart	GLOUCESTER
Gerald Dust	CUMBERLAND
Larry Malloy	REGION
Jim Kennelly	OTTAWA
Dr. Khaled Hashem	REGION
Linda Seguin\	REGION
Nick Leadbetter	REGION
Al Bouwers	OSGOODE
David Williams	RIDEAU
Myles Edwards	REGION
L.A. (Sandy) Smallwood	ROCKCLIFFE PARK
Don Skinner	WEST CARLETON (resigned from Committee - not replaced)
Ken Hartin	GOULBOURN (resigned from Committee - not replaced)

¹ member and current President of Eastern Ontario Disaster Relief Committee

² member of Eastern Ontario Disaster Relief Committee

³ member of Eastern Ontario Disaster Relief Committee and Chair, Extreme Financial Hardship Sub-Committee

STATUS REPORT

OTTAWA-CARLETON DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE (OCDRC)

- Ottawa-Carleton Disaster Relief Co-Chair's report dated 08 Nov 99

Ms. Linda Seguin, Co-Chair, OCDRC, introduced Ms. Jean Pigott, founding Co-Chair, OCDRC. Ms. Seguin then introduced herself and explained she was employed by the Federal government, however had been loaned to carry out the ice storm recovery duties.

In review, Ms. Seguin stated in early 1998 Regional Council was required to assemble a team of local volunteers to form the OCDRC. The Committee had a dual mandate of raising funds to aid in the recovery effort and to receive and settle claims. Similarly at the same time, there were seven other disaster relief Regions declared in Eastern Ontario. Ms. Seguin reported the Province initially thought the relief program would be administered by eight separate local disaster relief committees. However, as the work progressed it became clear, particularly in the area of claims settlement, that it was important to ensure consistency across Eastern Ontario. Therefore, an umbrella committee, entitled the Eastern Ontario Disaster Relief Committee, was created, comprising of two members from each local committee, and leaving the local committees tasked largely with fundraising efforts.

Ms. Seguin reviewed the report annexes and provided additional information on each. Speaking to the Ottawa-Carleton claims, she noted that Ottawa-Carleton was not among the hardest hit areas in Eastern Ontario, however, approximately \$8 million in relief funds were distributed in the Region. Ms. Seguin proudly stated that approximately \$1.3 million of the total \$8 million funds raised in Eastern Ontario were raised in the Ottawa-Carleton Region.

Speaking to the OCDRC membership, Ms. Seguin expressed her sincere gratitude to the volunteers that formed an effective team to deal with the disaster. She stated the membership covered many areas of expertise such as construction, insurance, claims settlement, risk management, media relations, fundraising, and community leadership. Ms. Seguin noted the difficulties surrounding the initial task similar to managing a multi-million dollar insurance company with no policy, no manual, no staff, no building, and no financial system. However, the speaker expressed thanks to the Region for providing the necessary office space, staff, and financial expertise, among other requirements once identified. Specifically, Ms. Seguin thanked the following Regional staff:

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Corporate Services and
Economic Development Committee
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Mary Jo Woollam, Shane Kennedy and Liliane Frédérick, Regional Clerk's Department
Bill Hilborn, Debbie Goodwin, Marcia Martin, and Don Gray, Finance Department
Tim Marc, Legal Department
Deirdre Luesby, Information and Public Affairs

Ms. Pigott also expressed her thanks for the tremendous support and assistance received from Regional staff.

Ms. Pigott reported the Province was conducting a survey/program review to determine areas for improvement. Once completed, she hoped the Chief Administrative Officer would review this study with the OCDRC Co-Chairs and Regional staff as a learning tool and in preparation for the next possible event. Ms. Seguin added she was the current Chair of the Eastern Ontario Disaster Relief Committee, and they were preparing a complete disaster recovery package, consisting of a manual, financial system, and claims management system.

Councillors Cantin, Stewart and Hill sincerely thanked the presenters and the OCDRC for the dedication and perseverance displayed in completing the overwhelming task.

Chair Chiarelli noted the Province and various Ministries involved were extremely pleased with the work completed by the Committee. He expressed his gratitude on behalf of the residents of Ottawa-Carleton and Eastern Ontario. In closing, Chair Chiarelli stated the level of commitment expressed throughout the task was a resemblance of the strength in human resources available in the Ottawa-Carleton community.

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