



Getting from Here to There

We've come a long way since the early, dusty days of black rock and clouds of sulfur dioxide. We've learned that liming reduces the toxic effects of metals in soil on plants. So we spread lime over 3500 hectares. As a community we also planted more than 12 million trees. Young forests are now growing on formerly barren hillsides. Songbirds and other wildlife are slowly returning to our City. Liming and increasing forest cover in watersheds has also helped the health of our lakes.

We've been working on it for more than 30 years. But we still have a long way to go.



By our calculations about **38,000 hectares** of formerly barren or semi-barren land have never been limed or had trees planted on them. Much of this land still has little more than a few stunted birch trees growing on it.

Bringing back healthy forest ecosystems on affected lands won't be easy. It will take time, energy and renewed commitment. It will take money.

We've shown the world what we can do. Now it's time to finish the job that we started three decades ago.

This Action Plan will help guide us in the right direction.