

## What Do You Value About Big Creek?

No.	Important Issue	Rate of Importance
1	Ensuring proper drainage of farmland	4
2	Defining Crown Land, navigable waters	7
3	Concern about impacts of phragmites – what can be done? – blocking view -	19
4	Abundance of muskrat – impacts on water quantity? trapping – is there an oversupply and if so, determine remedial actions	1
5	Dam-restricted flow of natural waterway – mother nature takes care No dam – allow natural flow	4
6	Original Problem – when coast guard cut off flow to Big Creek	0
7	Urban sprawl – development – where it should be? out into watershed area (stormwater management, pre-post flows)	23
8	Flora/fauna – what about protecting plants & animals in the watershed	14
9	What is to prevent further degradation? purpose – pinpoint issues / facts, good science – for plan development	3
10	Monitoring station – hwy 18 – north to Texas – will there be an additional monitoring station? Greenway access? fine tuning monitoring stations	3
11	Has there been an inventory of flora/fauna? who will do this? MNR, ERCA, Dave Martin, Dean Ware, Gerry Waldron? (It is part of this study?)	2
12	Have there been endangered species? Yes – through other studies – NHIC identified database – contact landowners for data collection where possible	2
13	Have we tried to work with university – yes – water quantity	0
14	No channel – can't see a channel? vegetation growth/changing in flooding on property – property taking longer to drain – absence of flow – municipal storm sewer	28
15	Btwn-Alma / Texas Rd – Schedule 'A' Official Plan – Reassessed as a wetland – rather than natural environment (riparian area) – future classification – MNR – if permission is received	4
16	Pesticides/herbicides necessary for farming – what will the impacts be on farming – water quality testing helpful – Right-to-Farm legislation – normal now, may not be normal later	1
17	Good community representation + support – people selected to do <u>process</u> work	4
18	What is being tested – water quantity + quality?	4
19	Quality of environmental impact assessments – in the Town	1
20	Creation of trails – access to marsh – residents to have public access. Rails-to-Trails.	5
21	Need active management – spatially – can't let everyone in – “love it to death”	1
22	Fill – pile – in the EP Area – impact on creek – why can Amherstburg do this?	3
23	Permit to take water – no fee – creating habitat	0
24	Plants & animals	10
25	Public domain – if we want access – message needs to get to the Town	1
26	Drainage – how long will this take?	0
27	Consideration of development – public meetings that are accessible for people	1