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## MEDIA RELEASE

### **The Township of Ramara announces closing all public boat launches and Lagoon City canals.**

**Ramara/April 7, 2020** – Today, April 7, the Township of Ramara announces the closing of all public boat launches and water access points located at all lakes around the Township. This includes the Lagoon City canals.

“The Township values seasonal residents and tourists who visit the area; however, in order to help reduce the spread of COVID-19, we are strongly urging individuals to shelter in place at your primary residence and to come back and visit the area when it is safe to do so. Closing public boat launches, water access points and the Lagoon City canals are all steps that need to be done in order to help flatten the curve and help reduce any community transmission,” stated by Mayor Clarke.

Last week, the Government of Ontario issued a Provincial Order to close all outdoor recreational amenities across Ontario in order to stop the spread of COVID-19 and keep people home. With the nice weather and increased presence of gatherings around the Township, we feel this is an important step in flattening the curve.

Our By-law Enforcement Officers have provincial authorization to enforce emergency orders of the Province. They will be monitoring daily to ensure that all parks, dog parks, playgrounds, recreation areas, municipal boat launches, water access points and Lagoon City canals are closed. As well, they will be assisting in the monitoring of gatherings of more than five individuals who are in non-compliance with the Provincial mandate, or non-essential businesses that are operating in non-compliance with the Provincial mandate.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as the Township works to ensure the health and safety of our community. For more up-to-date information on the status of Township’s services, please visit [COVID-19](#) page on the Township’s website.

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