

# CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF TREADWAY 1989-2009

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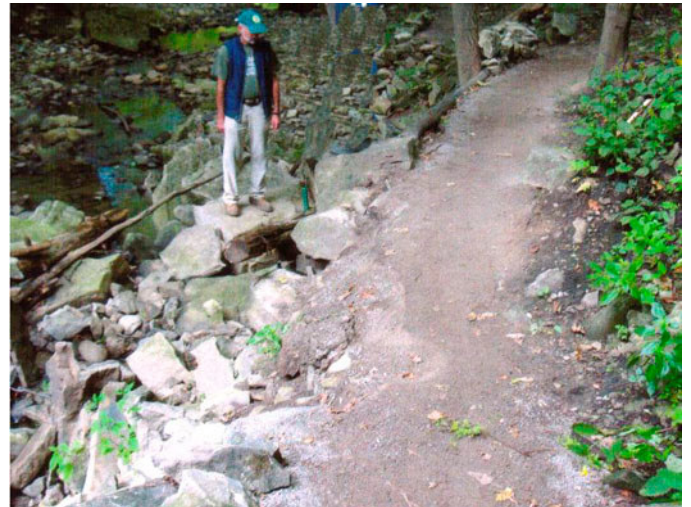
## TIFFANY FALLS A WORK IN PROGRESS

Now that the summer is over and the Bruce Trail has been well travelled by hundreds of visitors, it's time to access the 'damage' that people and nature have inflicted upon our beloved trail. It has been an unpredictable summer; hot, humid and at times heavy rains have fallen. It's the rain that has inflicted the most damage on some of our favourite destination points.

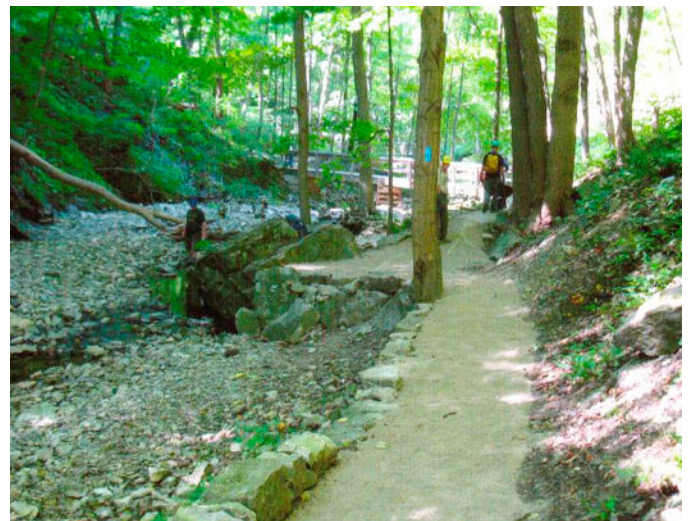
Take Tiffany Falls for example. Four years ago our volunteers built two magnificent bridges to allow hikers and walkers the opportunity to view this beautiful vista. These falls were off limits for a number of years due to constant mud slides. Our volunteers along with help from the Hamilton Conservation Authorities, rerouted the trail to allow safe passage to the falls. However the mud slides have continued. There's no stopping nature. Although the slides are away from the trail, they still deposit tons of debris into the streambed, changing the course of the water flow.

Our volunteers have spent hundreds of hours repairing the banks of the stream fortifying them with rock walls. They've removed tree trunks that have jammed the water course and they have spread tons of gravel along the well-used footpath. Plans are now being prepared to devise a method to strengthen the footings of the bridge to brace against future flood waters.

But it's all worth it; Tiffany Falls is a magnificent work of nature. Not a day goes by that dozens of hikers and walkers, on their way to the falls, don't stop to express their thanks to our volunteers.



Before: rock wall washed away by heavy rains.



After: rock wall restored.

Pictures by Richard Pomeroy