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*Glen House Resort, Gananoque, Ontario  
October 25 – 27, 2007*

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for registering for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Canadian Young Geotechnical Engineers and Geoscientists Conference (cYGE GC). We have received your registration and wanted to provide you with an update as to details for your consideration in making your plans to join us in Gananoque in October.

The cYGE GC runs between Thursday October 25 and Saturday October 27, 2007 but there are timing and logistics considerations on the Wednesday prior to and the Sunday after the event. Please find below an overview of some of the arrangements that have been made to date to aid in your planning:

**Wednesday, October 24**

***Canadian Geotechnical Conference, Westin, Ottawa:*** Just a reminder that with your registration to cYGE GC, the organizing committee for the Joint CGS/IAH-CNC Conference have offered to let you attend the sessions on Wednesday, October 24 at no additional cost. If you have not been to the annual conference, this is a good opportunity to expose yourself to the CGS/IAH-CNC. More information on the conference can be found at [www.ottawageo2007.ca](http://www.ottawageo2007.ca).

***Ice Breaker Reception:*** As part of the cYGE GC conference registration we have arranged for a ice breaker reception for all registrants and special guests at the Westin Ottawa. This will run between 5-7 pm and be located in the Bonaventure Parlour, 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Westin Ottawa. There will be a cash bar and munchies will be provided. Likely a group will go out for dinner afterwards as well.

***Hotel Booking for Wednesday Evening:*** Hotels have not been booked for you for the evening of October 24 as this has not been included in the registration. ***To ensure availability of hotel rooms at the Westin, if you choose to stay there, rooms should be booked by September 21<sup>st</sup>.*** For information on booking accommodation at the Westin, please visit the CGS Conference website at [www.ottawageo2007.ca](http://www.ottawageo2007.ca) and navigate to the Venue/Accommodations tab.

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## **Thursday, October 25**

**Field Trip:** The field trip will depart from the Westin Ottawa on the morning of Thursday, October 25. The bus arrives at 8:15am and departs from the Westin at 8:30am. Muffins and juice will be provided on bus. If you are staying at the Westin, please arrange to check out by 8am to ensure we are all ready to depart at 8:30am sharp. Our local organizing committee has arranged a relaxing but eventful day en route to Gananoque. The field trip will consist of two stops along Rideau Canal (Smiths Falls & Jones Falls) followed by boxed lunch from the Glen House and ending with a boat cruise in the Thousand Islands. Following boat cruise we will check into the Glen House Resort and have dinner.

## **Friday, October 26 and Saturday, October 27**

**Technical Program:** By now you likely have been contacted by our technical chair, Andy Take, to provide the information provided for our conference proceedings. Andy will provide final details on your presentation format to the technical program portion of our conference. In addition to the technical presentations we have arranged for various non-technical keynotes from prominent members of our geoscience and geotechnical community and for various light non-technical interactive activities. If you have any questions regarding the technical program please contact Andy Take at [cygegc.technical@geotechnical.ca](mailto:cygegc.technical@geotechnical.ca). For those of you that have not submitted your abstracts, please contact Andy and make arrangements to do so.

## **Sunday, October 28**

**Travel back to Ottawa:** Bus arrives 7:45am and departs 8am for Ottawa Airport. Arrives between 10am and 10:30am. ***If you would like to take advantage of this transportation please notify Suzanne Boyle ([boyle@geoladm.geol.queensu.ca](mailto:boyle@geoladm.geol.queensu.ca)) to ensure a spot on the bus.*** If you do not wish to take the morning bus to Ottawa, you are responsible for making alternate arrangements. For those who would like transportation into Kingston, again please contact Suzanne Boyle for arrangements.

**Other Information:** When packing, please keep in mind that we will be in the late fall and that the average temperature for the area is 5-10 degrees Celsius. You should pack warm clothes and running shoes (or appropriate footwear) for outdoor activities (Soccer etc). You may also want to bring a bathing suit for the pool and hot tub at the Glen House. For those interested – Smugglers Glen Golf Course located near resort (<http://www.smugglersglen.com/home.html>)



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If you have any questions leading up to the conference, please feel free to contact either  
Corey Froese (corey.froese@eub.ca) or Suzanne Boyle  
(boyle@geoladm.geol.queensu.ca) for more information.

We look forward to seeing you in Gananoque!

Corey Froese  
Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> cYGEGC

J. Suzanne Boyle  
Chair, Local Organizing Committee