

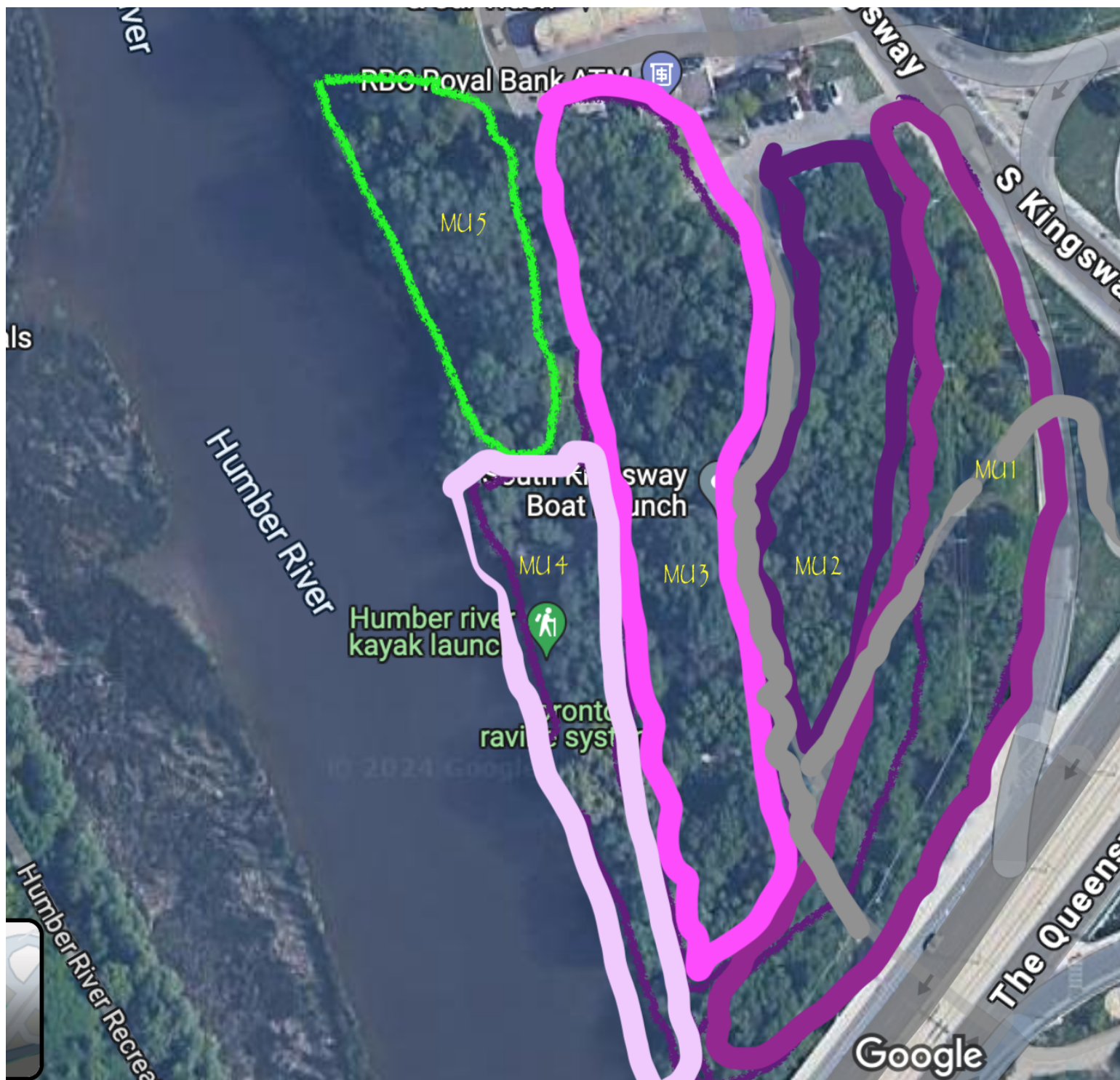


Site Assessment

Site: South Kingsway/South Humber
Year: 2024
Lead Steward(s): Ginnie Venslovaitis

This area is located between the South Kingsway and the south east side of the Humber River, just south of a Petro-Canada Gas Station between number 4 and 8 South Kingsway. Near the parking lot, the beginning of the First Nations trail called The Carrying Place, are cement seats and historical markers/plaques identifying the Rousseaux family and the nearby location of Jean-Baptiste Rousseaux's trading post built in the 1770s.

The southeast section is bounded by a sidewalk along the busy road access to The Queensway. The southern section has recently been replanted with about 30 trees due to construction and the repair of the bridge. The eastern side of the site is transected, with evidence of 2024 City of Toronto branch trimming around powerlines. A small parking area beside the gas station marks the entrance to a sealed/cemented single lane road mostly for walkers, bicyclists and cars seeking to launch kayaks and small boats. The footpath continues south under the highways to Lake Ontario. A branch of this narrow interior road veers north-east to the footpath along the Queensway access. The site is mainly a hardwood forest with mature trees including manitoba and a cultivar maple, various oak species, walnut and hop hornbeam trees found along both the Humber River and South Kingsway. Nature stewards have worked for the past two years to remove mainly buckthorn, japanese knotweed, dog strangling vine and garlic mustard. An ESA is located at the north-west section.



Physical Characteristics:

Management Unit	Exposure	Area (ha)	Soil Type
1	Sun/shade	1/3 area	Sandy loam
2	shade	1/6 area	Sandy clay
3	shade	1/3 area	Sandy clay

4	Sun/shade	1/12 area	Mud-sand
5	shade	1/12 area	Sandy clay

Note: Total size is unknown therefore area is expressed in an approximate proportion of the whole site.