



## *A Mountain of Technofossils: Is This the Hill We Want to Die On?*

Technofossils (specifically electronics) are results of human innovation. Equivalent to dinosaur footprints of the digital age (Zalasiewicz, 2014), these technofossils will last for millions of years and there is not much being done to protect the environment from their harmful effects. Through extensive research, surveying and GPS tracking, the journey of electronic waste, e-waste, (start to finish) is followed. Society treats electronics as disposable items, adding to the technofossil mountain and contributing to the environmental crisis. Many people are unsure how to dispose of electronics properly, so many do not bother to try. However, even those who do know of initiatives are still unsure of the actual end-point of their e-waste. With strict legislation and more accountability by production and recycling companies in Ontario, e-waste can be managed properly and the technofossil crisis could be on the path to resolution.

