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# Squelch the rumors: Canada's Wonderland not bound for Falls

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For the past few months, rumors have been circulating around Niagara Falls, Ont., that Paramount Canada's Wonderland was going to leave suburban Toronto and move down the QEW to the Niagara Region.

Officials from both Canada's Wonderland, a 300-acre amusement park, and Niagara Falls have repeatedly denied the rumors, but they refused to go away.

Until May 9.

That's when Canada's Wonderland took out full page ads in several Toronto area newspapers including the Toronto Sun and Toronto Star stating the rumors were just that -- rumors. The amusement park is not leaving suburban Toronto.

**"Our home is in Vaughan and we're staying put," the ad stated.**

**Canada's Wonderland has invested more than \$250 million in the park including some \$10 million during this past winter. The facility has 60 rides plus a 20-acre waterpark.**

**"We really hope that it puts (the rumors) to rest," said Kris Williams, park spokesman.**

Niagara Falls Mayor Wayne Thomson said his office has fielded a number of calls about the rumors. Thomson said he talked with Canada's Wonderland officials and they repeatedly denied the rumors.

"We finally got to the point where they said 'Please don't call us anymore'," Thomson said.

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