



The Regional Municipality of Durham

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2021-INFO-84
Date: August 6, 2021

Subject:

Update on Settlement Area Boundary Expansion Requests, File D12-01

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide a status update on requests for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion received through Envision Durham, the Region's municipal comprehensive review (MCR) of the Durham Regional Official Plan (ROP) received as of June 1, 2021.

2. Background

2.1 As a key component of Envision Durham, a Growth Management Study (GMS) is being completed over two phases. The first phase of the GMS focuses on the completion of a Land Needs Assessment (LNA). The LNA is a detailed review of the Region's land base to determine how much of the Growth Plan population and employment forecasts for Durham Region can be accommodated within existing urban areas, either within the built-up area (as intensification), and the designated greenfield area. Any growth that cannot be accommodated within existing urban areas would trigger a Settlement Area Boundary Expansion. Four technical reports will comprise the LNA, and these reports are being released over the summer of 2021 for public, stakeholder, and agency review and comment. Staff's

recommendations on the LNA and an overall summary report is expected to be presented to the Planning and Economic Development Committee in the Fall. The second phase of the GMS will focus on determining the most appropriate locations for any required Settlement Area Boundary Expansion(s).

- 2.2 On March 2, 2021 the Envision Durham Proposed Policy Directions report was presented to Planning and Economic Development Committee and subsequently released for public review and comment. As part of that report, an update was provided on the status of the GMS, including the current inventory of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests that had been received to date and the proposed criteria that will be used to evaluate such requests. It also opened a 90-day submission window, that closed on May 31, 2021, for new and/or amended requests to be submitted to the Region for consideration.
- 2.3 Further details of the Settlement Area Boundary Expansion Request evaluation criteria and submission timeline can be found in Commissioners Report [#2021-P-7](#).

3. Previous Reports and Decisions

- 3.1 On March 2, 2021 Commissioners Report [#2021-P-7](#) presented the Envision Durham Proposed Policy Directions Report, including an update on Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests, establishing a 90-day submission window to submit and new or amended requests.

4. Status Update of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion Requests

- 4.1 As of June 1, 2021, a total of 63¹ Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests have been received and are distributed as follows:
- a. **Ajax:** 0
 - b. **Brock:** 7
 - c. **Clarington:** 25
 - d. **Oshawa:** 8²
 - e. **Pickering:** 8
 - f. **Scugog:** 5
 - g. **Uxbridge:** 2
 - h. **Whitby:** 9²

¹ It is noted that correspondence was recently received advising that BER-34 was withdrawn.

² BER-10 straddles the Whitby/Oshawa municipal boundary.

- 4.2 It should be noted that some additional Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests have been received by the Region since June 1, 2021. These additional submissions will be reported on through the GMS.
- 4.3 There are several instances where Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests overlap. Accounting for overlapping submissions, there are **approximately 3,760 hectares** of land currently being requested for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion. This total area includes:
- submissions that request the extension/expansion of urban area boundaries;
 - requests to resolve outstanding deferrals/appeals to existing urban area boundaries; and
 - several submissions that apply to rural settlement areas, including some requests for expansion into the Greenbelt Plan area.
- 4.4 Additional details regarding each individual submission can be found in Attachment #1.
- 4.5 As indicated in the Proposed Policy Directions Report ([#2021-P-7](#)), the 2017 Greenbelt Plan no longer permits the minor rounding out of hamlet boundaries. The Region therefore cannot consider any requests that would facilitate the expansion of any hamlet boundary located within the Greenbelt Plan area, even if there is an existing appeal or deferral in an Area Municipal Official Plan. The only exception would be if there was a municipally-initiated expansion that was underway prior to the original Greenbelt Plan. The proponent would also need to demonstrate that the additional conditions as outlined in 3.4.5 of the Greenbelt Plan have been met.
- 4.6 The Growth Plan places restrictions on the scale of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion that can be considered for Urban Areas located within the Protected Countryside area of the Greenbelt Plan. Specifically, policy 2.2.8.3 k) limits any such expansion to a maximum of 5 per cent increase in the geographic size of the settlement area, up to a maximum of 10 hectares, of which no more than 50 per cent can be designated for residential development. Effectively, this limits any Settlement Area Boundary Expansion to the Uxbridge, Port Perry, Sunderland, Cannington, Beaverton and Orono Urban Areas to a maximum of 10 hectares, 5 of which can be for residential purposes.
- 4.7 Regional staff and the GMS consultant team will be reviewing any potential Settlement Area Boundary Expansions in conformity with the policies of the Greenbelt Plan and Growth Plan.

5. Relationship to Strategic Plan

5.1 Envision Durham, the Region's Municipal Comprehensive Review, aligns with all the strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan. The Growth Management Study and Land Needs Assessment more specifically aligns with:

- a) Under Goal Area 2, Community Vitality:
 - 2.1 Revitalize existing neighbourhoods and build complete communities that are walkable, well connected, and have a mix of attainable housing;
 - 2.5 Build a healthy, inclusive, age-friendly community where everyone feels a sense of belonging;
- b) Under Goal Area 3, Economic Prosperity:
 - 3.1 Position Durham Region as the location of choice for business;
 - 3.2 Leverage Durham's prime geography, social infrastructure, and strong partnerships to foster economic growth;
 - 3.4 Capitalize on Durham's strengths in key economic sectors to attract high-quality jobs;
- c) Under Goal Area 4, Social Investment:
 - 4.1 Revitalize community housing and improve housing choice, affordability and sustainability.

6. Conclusion and Next Steps

6.1 Regional staff and the GMS consultant team are in the process of finalizing and releasing the results of the LNA. Once the LNA has determined the total quantum of additional urban area land required to accommodate long term growth, the GMS will proceed to Phase 2 to identify and assess the most appropriate location(s) for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion(s).

7. Attachments

Attachment #1: Summary of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests received as of June 1, 2021

Attachment #2: Map 1: Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests – Ajax and Pickering

Attachment #3: Map 2: Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests – Oshawa and Whitby

Attachment #4: Map 3: Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests –
Clarington

Attachment #5: Map 4: Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests – Scugog

Attachment #6: Map 5: Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests –
Uxbridge

Attachment #7: Map 6: Settlement Area Boundary Expansion requests - Brock

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development

Attachment 1: Requests for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion

Current Requests for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion as of June 1, 2021.

Conversion Request-ID	Municipality	Site Location (Address, if available)	Land Area (Hectares)*	Description of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion Request (as described by proponent)
BER-1	Whitby	Part of Lots 25, 26, 27 and 28, Concession V	4.2	Include the lands in the vicinity of the Brooklyn Secondary Plan Area that are outside of the Greenbelt Plan within the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas.
BER-2	Clarington	Lands east of Courtrice Road to the future Highway 418	236.0 **overlaps with BER-7, 22, 42	Include the lands in the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas / Major Transit Station Area.
BER-3	Clarington	521 and 531 Rundie Road	10.7	Include the lands in the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas in order to permit industrial uses, including a motor vehicle wrecking yard and prestige industrial uses.
BER-4	Clarington	Lot 29, Concession 4, Orono	2.6	Include the balance of the property in the Urban Boundary.

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BER-5	Pickering	North Part of Lot 6, Concession 6	8.5 **overlaps with BER-13	<p>Include the lands in the Urban Boundary as originally envisioned during the Region's previous Municipal Comprehensive Review (Regional Centre).</p> <p>Note: Now a member of the North East Pickering Landowners Group. Request will be considered as part of BER-13</p>
BER-6	Scugog	Lands bound by the existing Port Perry Urban Boundary, Hwy 7A, King Street and the Hamlet of Manchester	95	<p>Include the lands in the Urban Boundary to permit a new community comprised of residential, mixed use, community uses and natural heritage features to accommodate approximately 4,800 residents and 200 population-related jobs.</p>
BER-7	Clarington	0 Courtice Road (east side of Courtice Road, north side of the existing rail corridor)	35.5 **overlaps with BER-2	<p>Include the lands in the Urban Boundary as part of the Courtice Major Transit Station Area to permit a mixed-used, transit-oriented, development proposal, including 2,073 residential units.</p>

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BER-8	Uxbridge	7370 Centre Road, Uxbridge	39.7 (Note: Special Study Area 6 is already within the Uxbridge Urban Area and now subject to application ROPA-2021-05)	Remove the lands from Special Study Area 6 designation in the ROP, increase the urban population for the Uxbridge Urban Area to 20,000, and permit private communal services on lands within the Urban Area to allow development to occur on the Phase 2 Uxbridge lands. A Regional Official Plan Amendment application (ROPA 2021-05) has also been submitted for these lands in order to facilitate the development of 588 dwelling units.
BER-9	Scugog	Part of Lots 21 and 22, Concession 8, Port Perry	19.8 **Overlaps with BER-31	Resolve outstanding deferral D5-1 to the Scugog Official Plan which deferred the approval of the inclusion of the subject lands within the Port Perry Urban Boundary.
BER-10	Whitby and Oshawa	550 Columbus Road East, Whitby & 654 Columbus Road West, Oshawa	93.8	Include the lands in the Urban Boundary as Living Areas. A concept draft plan identifies the potential for 2,317 residential units.

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BER-11	Scugog	14611 Old Scugog Road, Blackstock	27.48 **Overlaps with BER-31	Resolve deferral D2-1 to the Scugog Official Plan by rounding out the boundaries of the Hamlet of Blackstock to include a portion of the subject property within the Hamlet boundaries to facilitate the development of 20-67 residential units (2 options provided).
BER-12	Pickering	All lands within the City of Pickering that meet a certain set of criteria	Specific lands were not identified	<p>Pickering Council requested that Durham consider all lands meeting a certain set of criteria within the City of Pickering for inclusion within the Urban Boundary. The Criteria area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lands not restricted by availability of servicing; • Lands that do not comprise a Specialty Crop Area; • Lands that are not within a Natural Heritage System; • Lands not located in the Moraine Natural Core and Linkage Areas • Lands experiencing growth pressures or with locations in the white belt that are appropriate for growth and can achieve a healthy, connected, thriving and complete community; • Lands that have existing or planned infrastructure to support and accommodate growth

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BER-13	Pickering	Lands known as North East Pickering, generally located north and south of Highway 7, Concession Road 8, Westney Road and Lake Ridge Road	1857.4 **Overlaps with BER-5, 14, 16, 21, 23, and 44	Request by members of the Northeast Pickering Landowners Group to include the lands within the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas and Living Areas. Note: This request on behalf of the Northeast Pickering Landowners Group replaces a previous request by Dorsay Development Corporation which previously included a concept plan illustrating a development for approximately 60,000 residents, 10,500 population related jobs and 33,000 employment related jobs.
BER-14	Pickering	3060 Highway 7	40.2 **overlaps with BER-13	Include the lands within the Urban Boundary in order to permit a mixed-use development concept including residential, retail, and employment uses (details to be provided at a future date).
BER-15	Oshawa	2630 Harmony Road North	0.8	Include the lands in the Urban Boundary to permit up to 100 stacked Townhouses.

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BER-16	Pickering	4015 and 4025 Sideline 6	4.1 **overlaps with BER-13	Include the lands in the Urban Boundary and designate as Regional Centre as considered by the Region during the previous Municipal Comprehensive Review. A concept plan demonstrates accommodation of 91 townhouse dwellings and 3 mixed-use buildings.
BER-17	Whitby	555 Winchester Road West	5.6	Include the lands, which are outside of the Greenbelt Plan boundary, within the Urban Boundary. Employment Uses and/or permission for a seniors lifestyle/retirement complex is requested.
BER-18	Oshawa	201 Columbus Road East	25.8	Include the lands in the Urban Boundary as Community Area (Living Areas).
BER-19	Clarington	Lands on the east side of George Burley Street, south of Highway 2, Newtonville	3.19	Resolve Deferral #3 to the Clarington Official Plan and include the subject lands within the boundary of the Hamlet of Newtonville.

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BER-20	Clarrington	1037 and 1067 Arthur Street, Newcastle	5.6	Include the lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas. A concept plan shows a proposal for 120 residential units.
BER-21	Pickering	3580 Audley Road, Hamlet of Kinsale	6.2 **overlaps with BER-13	Include the remainder of the subject lands within the boundary of the Hamlet of Kinsale to allow the development of a 7 lot plan of subdivision on private services.
BER-22	Clarrington	1835 Bloor Street and 1775 Bloor Street	51.3 **overlaps with BER-02	Expression of interest to include the lands within the Urban Boundary.
BER-23	Pickering	Part of Lots 9, 10 and 11, Concession 5	77.42 **overlaps with BER-13	Include the subject lands that are outside of the Greenbelt Plan within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas. Note: Now a member of the North East Pickering Landowners Group. Request will be considered as part of BER-13.

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BER-24	Clarington	Part of Lots 5, 6, and 7, Concession 2 (Bowmanville)	113.5	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-25	Oshawa	2676 Harmony Road North	5.6	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary.
BER-26	Oshawa	Part of Lots 4 and 5, Concession 5	43.3	Include the balance of the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-27	Brock	Lands south of Brock Concession Road 7, west of Highway 12 (Sunderland)	14.0	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas
BER-28	Clarington	2258 Highway #2 (Bowmanville)	12.5	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary for Community Area purposes.
BER-29	Clarington	1546 Cobbledick Road, Newcastle	72.0 **overlaps with BER-62	Request the Region to review the Special Study Area 2 designation of the ROP, including updated land use permissions.

Conversion Request-ID	Municipality	Site Location (Address, if available)	Land Area (Hectares)*	Description of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion Request (as described by proponent)
BER-30	Scugog	Deferral Area D2-2 to the Scugog Official Plan	70.7 **Overlaps with BER 30	Request that Deferral D2-2 to the Scugog Official Plan be resolved through the ROP review in order to include additional lands within the boundary of the Hamlet of Caesarea.
BER-31	Scugog	Deferral Areas D2-1, D2-2 and D5-1 to the Scugog Official Plan	117.98 **overlaps with BER-09, BER-11, and BER 30	Request that Deferrals to the Scugog Official Plan for the Port Perry Urban Area (D5-1) and the Hamlets of Blackstock (D2-1) and Caesarea (D2-2) be resolved through the ROP review.
BER-32	Whitby	Olpi Hills Court, Hamlet of Ashburn	3.8	Include the subject lands within the boundary of the Hamlet of Ashburn to permit the development of a 7 lot plan of subdivision.
BER-33	Brock	Lands on the south side of Thorah Concession Road 5 (RR-15), west of Highway 12.	128.3	Note: Request Withdrawn (June 28, 2021). Will no longer be considered and is not illustrated on the map.

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BER-34	Clarington	72 Ormiston Street and Part of Lot 17, Concession 5 near the Hamlet of Hampton.	14.3	Request that the Deferrals to the Clarington Official Plan be resolved to include the subject lands within the Hamlet of Hampton, and to also include adjacent lands to the west within the Hamlet boundary, to permit the development of a 13 Lot Plan of Subdivision.
BER-35	Clarington	2825 Hancock Road, Courtice	1.4	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary to facilitate a development concept including a mix of commercial/retail and hotel uses.
BER-36	Clarington	2298 Highway 2, Bowmanville	3.9	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary to facilitate a development concept consisting of 327 residential units and 14,057 sq. m. of commercial space.
BER-37	Brock	C21605 Sideroad 18A, north west of Cannington.	47.7	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary.

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BER-38	Brock	C2130 Concession 13, north east of Cannington.	40.5	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary.
BER-39	Clarington	Lands east of Hwy 35/115, north of Concession Road 3 (Newcastle). Part of Lots 27 and 28, Concession 3	64.5	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-40	Oshawa	407 Howden Road West and 454 Columbus Road West	52.0	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-41	Oshawa	625 Columbus Road West	24.0	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-42	Clarington	1501 Courtice Road	8.0 **overlaps with BER-2	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary and designate as Community Area.

Conversion Request-ID	Municipality	Site Location (Address, if available)	Land Area (Hectares)*	Description of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion Request (as described by proponent)
BER-43	Clarington	Lands on the east side of Maple Grove Road, north of Baseline Road West, and south of the CP Rail Line.	4.1	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary.
BER-44	Pickering	4100 Sideline 2, Part of Lot 3, Concession 7	4.15 ** Overlaps with BER-13	Include the lands within the Urban Boundary. In the process of joining the Northeast Pickering Landowners Group.
BER-45	Brock	Lands at the northwest corner of Thorah Concession Road 7 and Regional Road 23	37.1	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary.
BER-46	Brock	Lands at the southwest corner of Thorah Concession Road 7 and Regional Road 23	14.8	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary.
BER-47	Clarington	Lands within the Hamlet of Maple Grove	37.6	Include the Hamlet of Maple Grove within the Urban Boundary.

Conversion Request-ID	Municipality	Site Location (Address, if available)	Land Area (Hectares)*	Description of Settlement Area Boundary Expansion Request (as described by proponent)
BER-48	Whitby	870 Columbus Road	4.0 **overlaps with BER-60	Request a resolution to outstanding appeal and Policy 14.13.7 of the Region's Official Plan, to permit the inclusion of the lands within Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-49	Whitby	5200 Ashburn Road	7.7	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas.
BER-50	Uxbridge	Lands on the west side of O'neil Road, North of Brock Street East, and South of the Trans Canada Trail. 7430 & 7260 O'Neil Road, and 762 Regional Highway 47	135.0	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-51	Clarington	Lands on the west side of Solina Road, north of the 407	12.0	Include the subject lands within the boundary of the Hamlet of Solina and resolve the deferral to the Clarington Official Plan.
BER-52	Clarington	661 Bennett Road	23.1	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas.

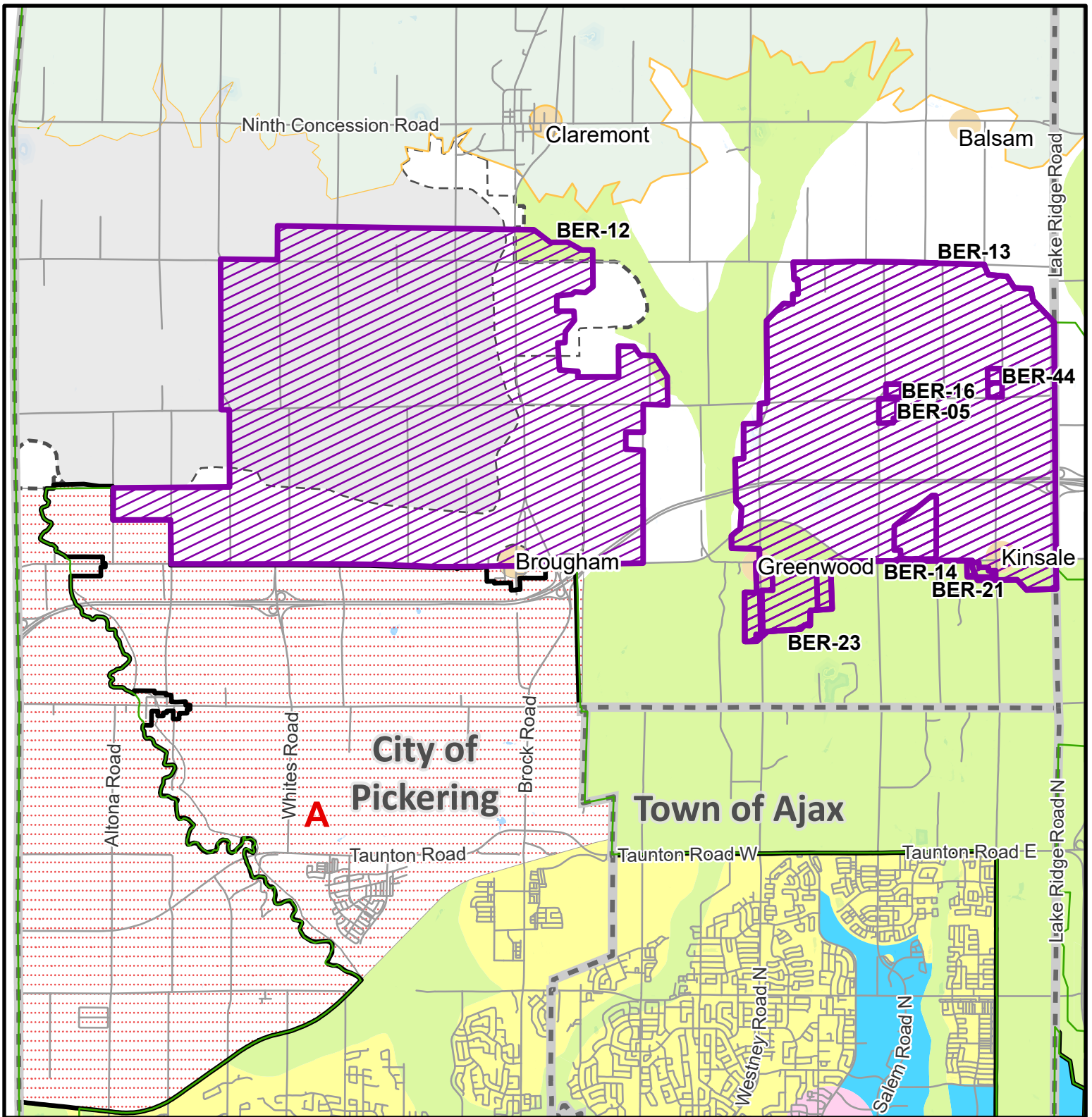
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BER-53	Brock	Lands on the south side of Regional Road 10, west of the existing Sunderland Urban Area Boundary	5.0	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary for residential purposes.
BER-54	Clarington	Lands on the west side of Holt Road, north of Highway 401.	7.9	Include the subject lands within the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas to permit industrial and commercial uses.
BER-55	Clarington	Lands subject to Deferral 4 in the Regional Official Plan, east of Highway 115/35	10.0 subject to Deferral 4 in the ROP	Lift Deferral 4 in the Regional Official Plan and include the subject lands in the Urban Boundary as Employment Areas.
BER-56	Clarington	Lands south of Taunton Road, west of the current Orono Urban Area Boundary	40.0	Include the subject lands in the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.
BER-57	Oshawa	3440 Wilson Road North	58.3	Include in the subject lands in the Urban Boundary as Living Areas.

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BER-58	Whitby	6373 Country Lane	4.0 **overlaps with BER-61	Request a resolution to outstanding appeal and Policy 14.13.7 of the Region's Official Plan, to permit the inclusion of the lands within Urban Boundary as Living Areas (not Employment Areas, as illustrated on Schedule A of the ROP).
BER-59	Clarington	Lands bounded by Highway 2, Bragg Road, Concession Street East, and the current Bowmanville Urban Area Boundary	124.4	Include in the subject lands in the Urban Boundary as Community Areas (Living Areas) to facilitated a development concept consisting of 1,872 residential units.
BER-60	Whitby	All lands identified as Living Areas in North Whitby that are subject to appeal and Regional Official Plan Policy 14.13.7	131.0 **overlaps with BER-48	Request a resolution to outstanding appeal and Policy 14.13.7 of the Region's Official Plan, to permit the inclusion of the lands within Urban Boundary as Living Areas.

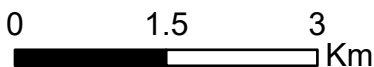
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BER-61	Whitby	All lands identified as Employment Areas in North Whitby subject to appeal and Regional Official Plan Policy 14.13.7	43.0 **overlaps with BER-58	Request a resolution to outstanding appeal and Policy 14.13.7 of the Region's Official Plan, to permit the inclusion of the lands within Urban Boundary as Living Areas (not as Employment Areas, as illustrated on Schedule A of the ROP).
BER-62	Clarington	105 Lovekin Road	9.42 **overlaps with BER-29	Include in the subject lands in the Urban Boundary for non-residential uses.
BER-63	Clarington	4442 Hill Street	81.0	Request a minor rounding out of the Hamlet of Newtonville to include additional residential development. Additional details, including confirmation of the applicable property bounds, have been requested of the proponent.

* Land area as indicated in materials provided by the proponent. Staff have estimated the land area where it was not provided or appeared to be incorrect.

** Requests with this notation indicates that more than one Submission was made for the corresponding lands



Request for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion – Ajax and Pickering



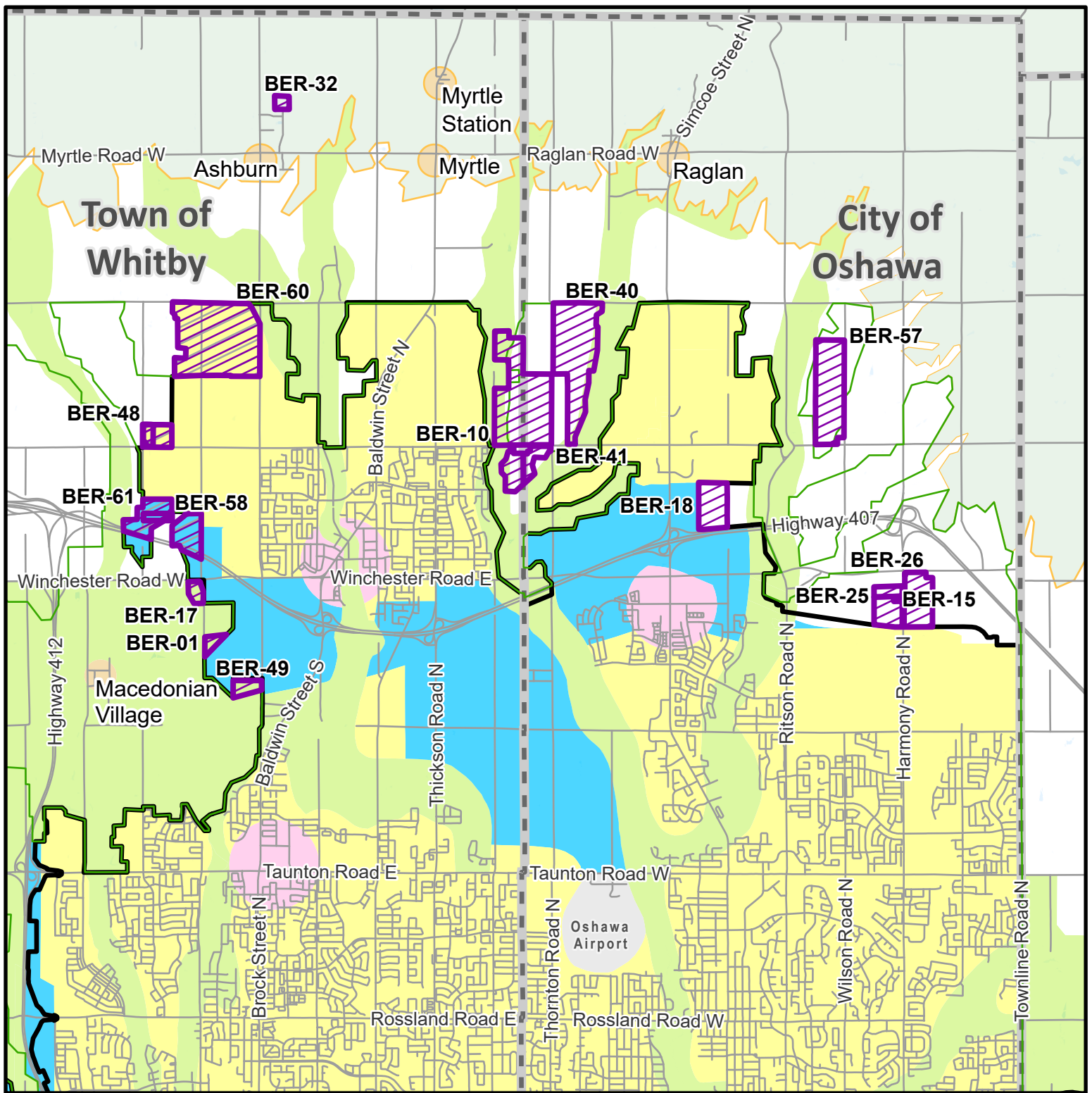
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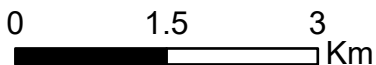
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Request for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion – Oshawa and Whitby

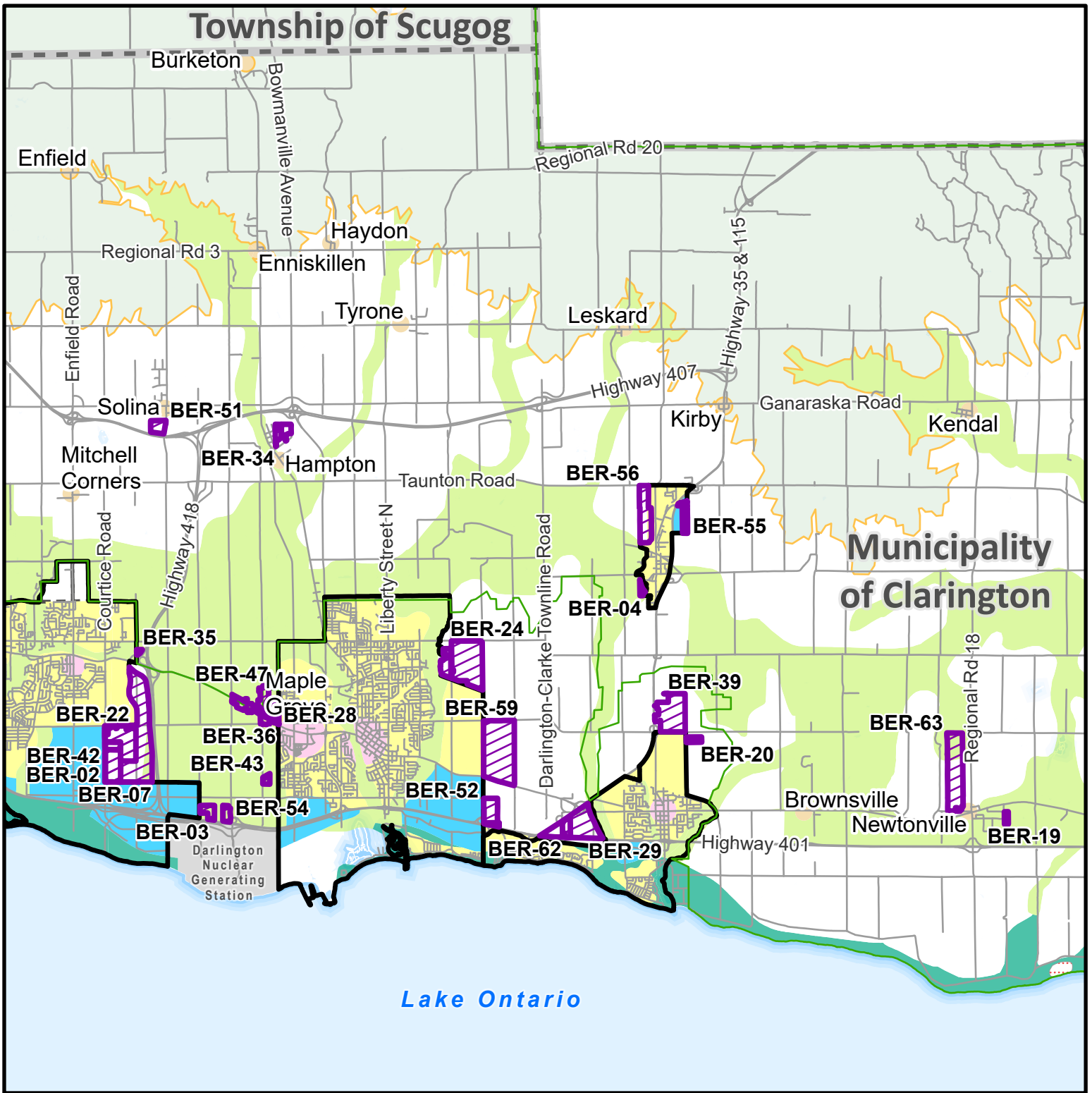


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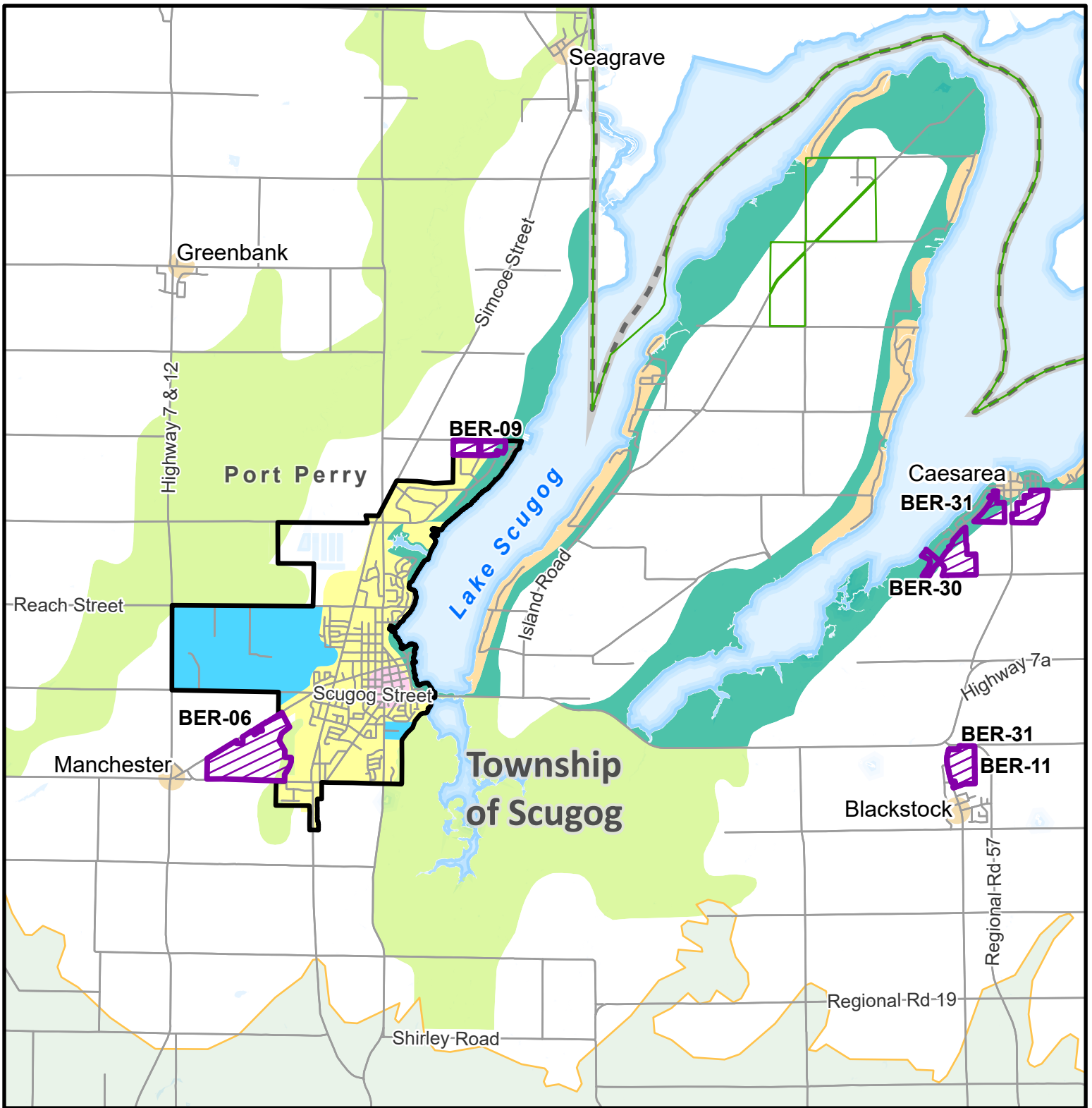
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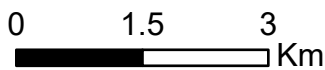
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Request for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion – Township of Scugog



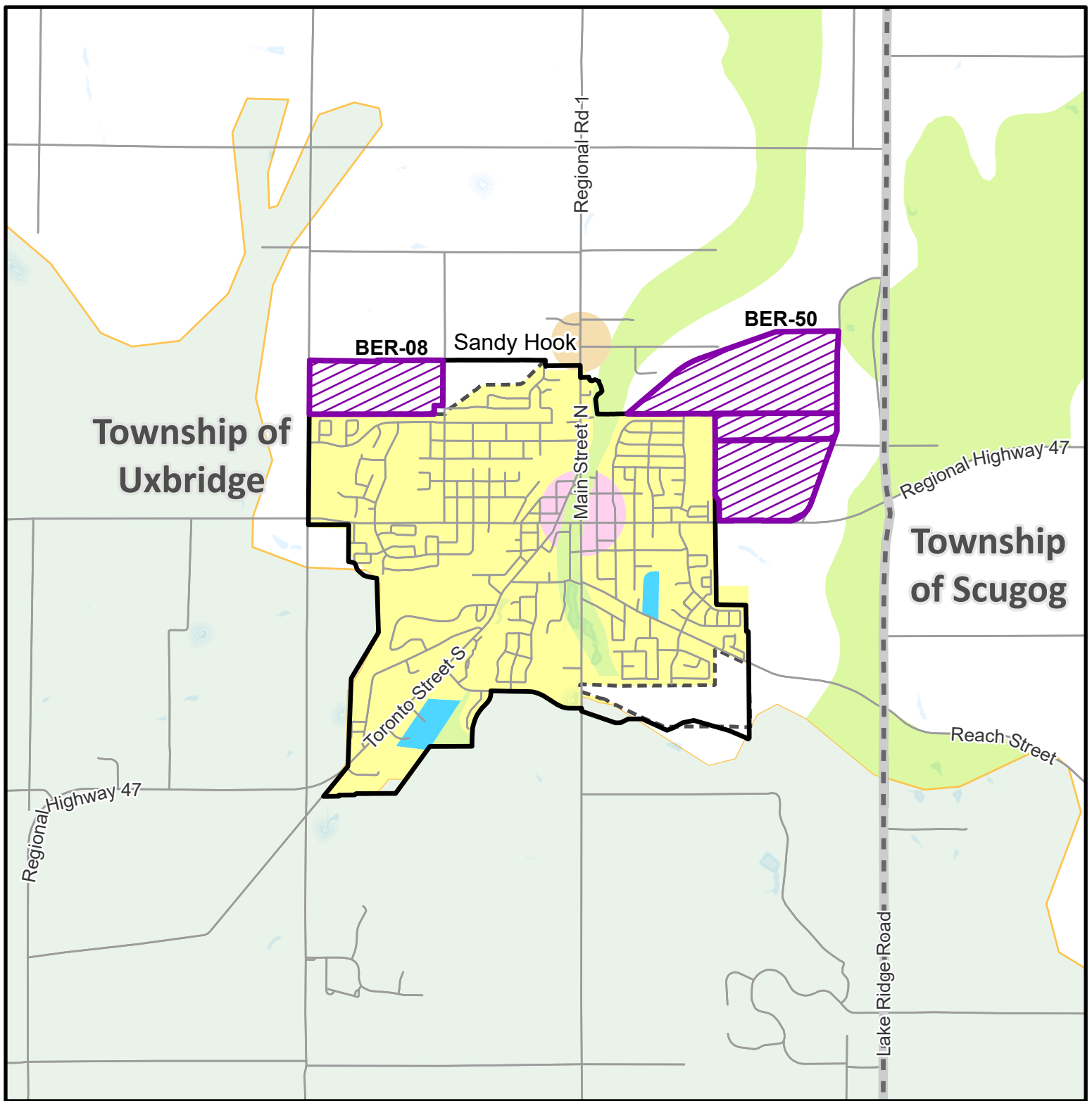
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Request for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion – Township of Uxbridge



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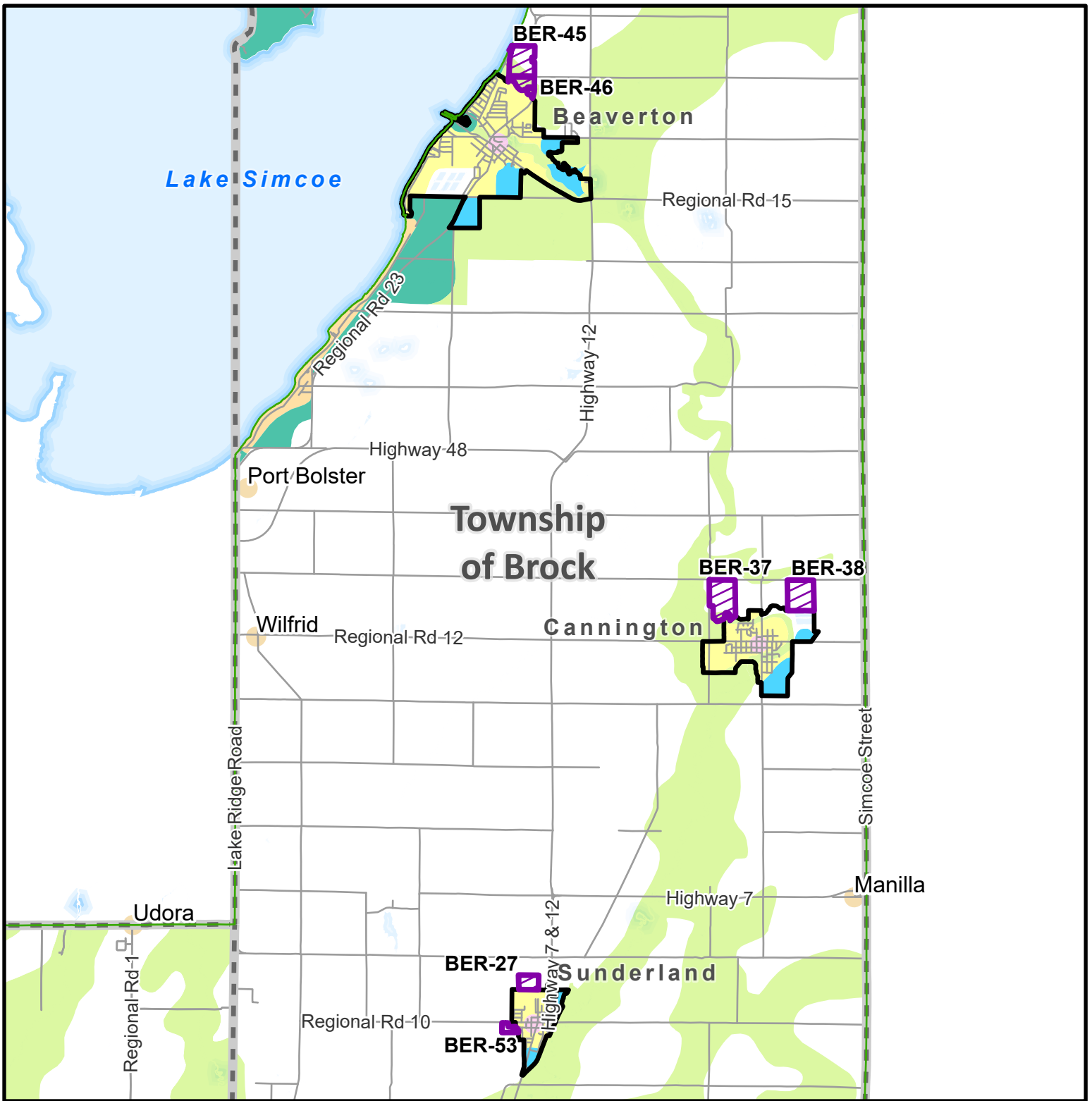
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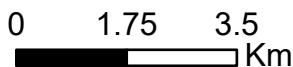
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Request for Settlement Area Boundary Expansion – Township of Brock



Legend

- Lands Subject to Boundary Expansion Request (BER)
- Prime Agricultural Areas
- Employment Areas
- Major Open Space Areas
- Waterfront Areas

- Living Areas
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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health
Report: [#2021-INFO-85](#)
Date: August 6, 2021

Subject:

The Global Health Intelligence Network Independent Review Panel Final Report

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 To provide an update on [The Global Public Health Intelligence Network \(GPHIN\) Independent Review Panel Final Report](#) released by the Minister of Health on July 12, 2021.

2. Background

2.1 The [GPHIN](#) was established in the late 1990's, under the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), as a global network of connected professionals working to rapidly detect, identify, assess, prevent and mitigate threats to human health.

2.2 In November 2020, the Minister of Health requested an independent review of Canada's GPHIN to: assess its capabilities; how it contributes to global and domestic public health surveillance; and its role in informing PHAC's early response to COVID-19.

2.3 The GPHIN review panel was led by Margaret Bloodworth, Dr. Mylaine Breton, and Dr. Paul Gully, experts in public health, governance, health security, and intelligence.

2.4 The final report builds on an [interim GPHIN report](#), released on February 26, 2021.

- 2.5 Findings from the final report were informed by interviews with more than 55 relevant professionals and PHAC documents, including reports, contracts, internal procedures/guidance, audits, presentations, and other foundational texts.

3. Report Highlights

- 3.1 GPHIN is PHAC's main events-based surveillance system (EBS). EBS searches reports, stories, rumours, and other sources of information to detect events that may be a serious risk to public health. EBS can detect risks sooner than indicator-based surveillance (IBS) systems can.
- 3.2 On December 30, 2019, the GPHIN detected a signal from an article covering a pneumonia outbreak published by South China Morning Post. The GPHIN signal was elevated to the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada, then to senior tables across the government. By January 1, 2019, Canada's response to what would become the COVID-19 pandemic had begun.
- 3.3 The GPHIN review panel (the Panel) acknowledged that GPHIN successfully detected the COVID-19 public health threat as soon as possible, however, the Panel found several issues within GPHIN's operations including its mandate, governance, information flows, and technology.
- 3.4 The Panel provided 36 recommendations to enable an effective and integrated public health surveillance system that also plays a role in risk assessment. The recommendations for PHAC and GPHIN are summarized below.
- a. Clearly articulate the role and purpose of GPHIN in public health surveillance activities and EBS.
 - b. Extend partnerships and subscriber outreach and enable provinces and territories to use and interpret the EBS system.
 - c. Regularly evaluate GPHIN's processes, products, standards, and terminology.
 - d. Establish a new Risk Assessment Office at PHAC, linking GPHIN to PHAC's broader surveillance activities.
 - e. Link GPHIN's products to risk assessment, response activities, and IBS systems.
 - f. Ensure sufficient expertise and resources within GPHIN with staffing levels that compliment demands, professional development opportunities, and identify future needs including new skills, technology, and techniques.
 - g. Incorporate relevant and emerging technologies into GPHIN's operations (e.g., data from social media and other sources).
 - h. Implement platform improvements (e.g., fix bugs in a timely manner).
 - i. Explore opportunities to openly share data.
 - j. Improve technology, processes, and enable system innovations (e.g., algorithm training, timely technical support, and develop a modular GPHIN system).

- k. Ensure staff have the knowledge and skills required to interact with subject matter experts in data analytics and visualization, disinformation, and behavioural insights.
- l. Develop a robust evaluation framework for public health surveillance systems to support ongoing prioritization and course correction.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The GPHIN review panel's recommendations were prepared to support a more effective and well-connected surveillance and risk assessment system to keep Canadians safe in the face of public health emergencies.
- 4.2 As articulated in the [Ontario Public Health Standards: Requirements for Programs, Services, and Accountability](#) (OPHS), the Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) is required to conduct surveillance and use surveillance and health status data to identify risks to the population. Additionally, DRHD is required to respond to and recover from new and emerging events and/or emergencies with public health impacts.
- 4.3 In responding to emergencies with public health impacts, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, DRHD works with the [Durham Emergency Management Office](#) (DEMO) which is responsible for Durham Region's emergency management program.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health

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EARLY RELEASE OF REPORT

**The Regional Municipality of Durham
Report**

To: Planning and Economic Development Committee
From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2021-P-**
Date: September 7, 2021

Subject:

Public Meeting Report

Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Bridgebrook Corp. to redesignate lands from Special Study Area #6 to Living Areas to facilitate the development of a 588-unit plan of subdivision, in the Township of Uxbridge, File OPA 2021-005.

Recommendation:

That the Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends:

- A) That Commissioner's Report #2021-P-** be received for information; and
 - B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.
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Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 On April 9, 2021, Malone Given Parson, on behalf of Bridgebrook Corp. submitted an application to amend the Regional Official Plan (ROP) to redesignate lands from Special Study Area #6 to Living Areas in the Township of Uxbridge. The application was deemed a complete application on May 7, 2021.

- 1.2 A “Notice of Complete Application” and “Notice of Public Meeting” regarding this application was advertised in the Uxbridge Times Journal newspaper. Notice of this meeting has also been mailed out to those who own land within 120 metres (400 feet) of the subject site and notice was posted on the Region’s website. The report was made available to the public prior to the meeting.

2. Site Description

- 2.1 The subject site is located on the west side of Centre Road, east of the 6th Concession Road, south of Ball Road. The subject site is known municipally as 7370 Centre Road, and legally described as Lot 33, Concession 6, Township of Uxbridge (refer to Attachment 1).
- 2.2 The subject site is approximately 40 hectares (99 acres) in size and is generally rectangular in shape. The majority of the subject site is under agricultural production. There are key natural heritage features located on site, and the Uxbridge Brook traverses the eastern portion of the site.
- 2.3 The subject site is also located within Special Study Area #6. Special Study Area #6 occupies an area of 54 hectares (133.5 acres) in the northern limits of the Uxbridge Urban Area.
- 2.4 Surrounding uses located adjacent to the subject site include:
- a. North – agricultural lands, tributary of Uxbridge Brook, Ball Road;
 - b. East – Centre Road, Uxbridge Brook, single-detached dwellings;
 - c. South – single-detached dwellings; and
 - d. West – 6th Concession Road, rural residential, agricultural lands.

3. Proposed Amendment

- 3.1 The proposed amendment to the ROP would redesignate the lands from Special Study Area #6 to Living Areas (refer to Attachment 2). This would facilitate the development of a 588-unit plan of subdivision (refer to Attachment 3).

4. Reports Submitted in Support of the Application

- 4.1 The applicant has submitted the following reports in support of the application:
- Planning Opinion Report, prepared by Malone Given Parsons (April 2021);

- Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment, prepared by EXP Services (October 2018);
- Environmental Impact Study, prepared by Beacon Environmental (March 2021);
- Geomorphic Assessment, prepared by Beacon Environmental (March 2021);
- Geotechnical Investigation, Soil Engineers Ltd. (February 2018);
- Preliminary Hydrogeological Investigation, prepared by Beacon Environmental (March 2021);
- Functional Servicing and Stormwater Management Report, prepared by SCS Consulting Group (March 2021);
- Transportation Impact Study, Nextrans Consulting Engineers (April 2021);
- Minimum Distance Separation Statement of Conformity, prepared by Clark Consulting (November 2020); and
- Stages 1 – 3 Archaeological Assessment, prepared by Irvine Heritage Inc. (September 2019).

5. Provincial Plans and Policies

Provincial Policy Statement, 2020

- 5.1 Policy 11.3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) states that settlement areas shall be the focus of growth and development. Policy 1.1.3.6 of the PPS states that new development taking place in designated growth areas should occur adjacent to the existing built-up area and should have a compact form, mix of uses and densities that allow for the efficient use of land, infrastructure and public service facilities.
- 5.2 Policy 1.6.6.2 of the PPS states that municipal sewage services and municipal water services are the preferred form of servicing for settlement areas, to support protection of the environment and minimize potential risks to human health and safety. Policy 1.6.6.3 of the PPS states that where municipal sewage services and municipal water services are not available, planned or feasible, private communal sewage services and private communal water services are the preferred form of servicing for multi-unit/lot development, to support protection of the environment and minimize potential risks to human health and safety.

A Place to Grow, Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe

5.3 The subject site is identified as a designated greenfield area under the policies of A Place to Grow, Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (the Growth Plan). Policy 2.2.7.1 of the Growth Plan states new development taking place in designated greenfield areas will be planned, designated, zoned and designed in a manner that:

- a. supports the achievement of complete communities;
- b. supports active transportation; and
- c. encourages the integration and sustained viability of transit services.

5.4 Policy 3.2.6.2 of the Growth Plan states that municipal water and wastewater systems and private communal water and wastewater systems will be planned, designed, constructed, or expanded in accordance with the following:

- a. opportunities for optimization and improved efficiency within existing systems will be prioritized and supported by strategies for energy and water conservation and water demand management;
- b. the system will serve growth in a manner that supports achievement of the minimum intensification and density targets in this Plan;
- c. a comprehensive water or wastewater master plan or equivalent, informed by *watershed planning* or equivalent has been prepared to:
 - demonstrate that the effluent discharges and water takings associated with the system will not negatively impact the *quality and quantity of water*;
 - identify the preferred option for servicing growth and development, subject to the hierarchy of services provided in policies 1.6.6.2, 1.6.6.3, 1.6.6.4 and 1.6.6.5 of the PPS, 2020, which must not exceed the assimilative capacity of the effluent receivers and sustainable water supply for servicing, ecological, and other needs; and
 - identify the full life cycle costs of the system and develop options to pay for these costs over the long-term.
- d. in the case of *large subsurface sewage disposal systems*, the proponent has demonstrated attenuation capacity; and
- e. plans have been considered in the context of applicable inter-provincial, national, bi-national, or state-provincial Great Lakes Basin agreements or provincial legislation or strategies.

Lake Simcoe Protection Plan

5.5 Policy 4.8 DP of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan (LSPP) states that an application for major development shall be accompanied by a stormwater management plan that, amongst other matters, includes a water budget and a phosphorus budget.

6. Durham Regional Official Plan Context

6.1 The subject site is designated Special Study Area #6 in the ROP. Policy 12.1.3 of the ROP speaks to this Uxbridge Special Study Area and states that an amendment to the Plan is required to designate the lands for development. Any such amendment would be subject to consideration of the following:

- a. The amount and rate of development that has occurred in the area designated “Living Area”; and
- b. The availability of servicing capacity.

7. Consultation

7.1 The ROP Amendment application as been circulated to a variety of agencies, including the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Township of Uxbridge; the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA); the Regional Works Department; and the school boards.

7.2 At the time of writing this report, comments have been received from Canada Post, Bell Canada, Enbridge Gas, and Durham Region Transit who all advised that they have no objection to the proposed development subject to meeting certain conditions.

7.3 Comments from the Regional Works Department advise that the Uxbridge Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) currently has a rated capacity of 5,221 m³/day, and the Region is permitting a service population of up to 15,000 people. The Works Department indicated that the proposed development would result in the population of Uxbridge exceeding the service population. Additionally, Regional Works further advised that the existing rated capacity of the Region’s Water Supply System can currently provide water servicing up to the population of 15,000.

7.4 The Regional Works Department is currently working to address an operational restriction at one of the existing wells. An increase to the rated capacity of the water supply system will be required to provide service to the Official Plan projection of 16,480 population in 2031. Moreover, the subject site is located within Zone 2 of the

water supply system and will require upgrades to the existing Zone 2 pumping station.

- 7.5 The LSRCA also provided comments to the Region on the application from a natural environment, hydrogeology and engineering perspective. The LSRCA has identified questions regarding the meander belt mapping, stormwater management and the water balance analysis. The LSRCA recommended that a decision on the applications be deferred until their comments can be addressed by the applicant.

8. Public Consultation

- 8.1 Anyone who attends the public meeting may present an oral submission, and/or provide a written submission to the Planning and Economic Development Committee on the proposed amendment. Also, any person may make written submissions at any time before Regional Council makes a decision.
- 8.2 If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or does not make written submissions before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body:
- a. Is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Region of Durham to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT); and
 - b. May not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the OLT, as appropriate, unless in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.
- 8.3 Anyone who wants to be notified of Regional Council's decision on the proposed ROP Amendment must submit a written request to:

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Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Planning and Economic Development Department
Regional Municipality of Durham
Durham Regional Headquarters
605 Rossland Road East
Whitby, ON L1N 6A3
planning@durham.ca

9. Future Regional Council Decision

- 9.1 The Planning and Economic Development Committee will consider the proposed ROP Amendment at a future meeting and will make a recommendation to Regional Council. Council's decision will be final unless appealed.
- 9.2 All persons who make oral submissions, or have requested notification in writing, will be given notice of the future meeting of the Planning and Economic Development Committee and Regional Council at which the subject application will be considered.

10. Previous Reports and Decisions

- 10.1 There are no previous reports on this matter.

11. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- 11.1 In the processing of ROP Amendment applications, the objective is to ensure responsive, effective and fiscally sustainable service delivery.

12. Attachments

Attachment #1: Location Sketch

Attachment #2: Proposed Amendment

Attachment #3: Proposed Subdivision Plan

Respectfully submitted,

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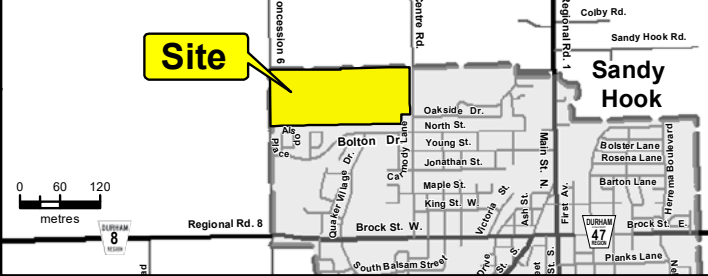
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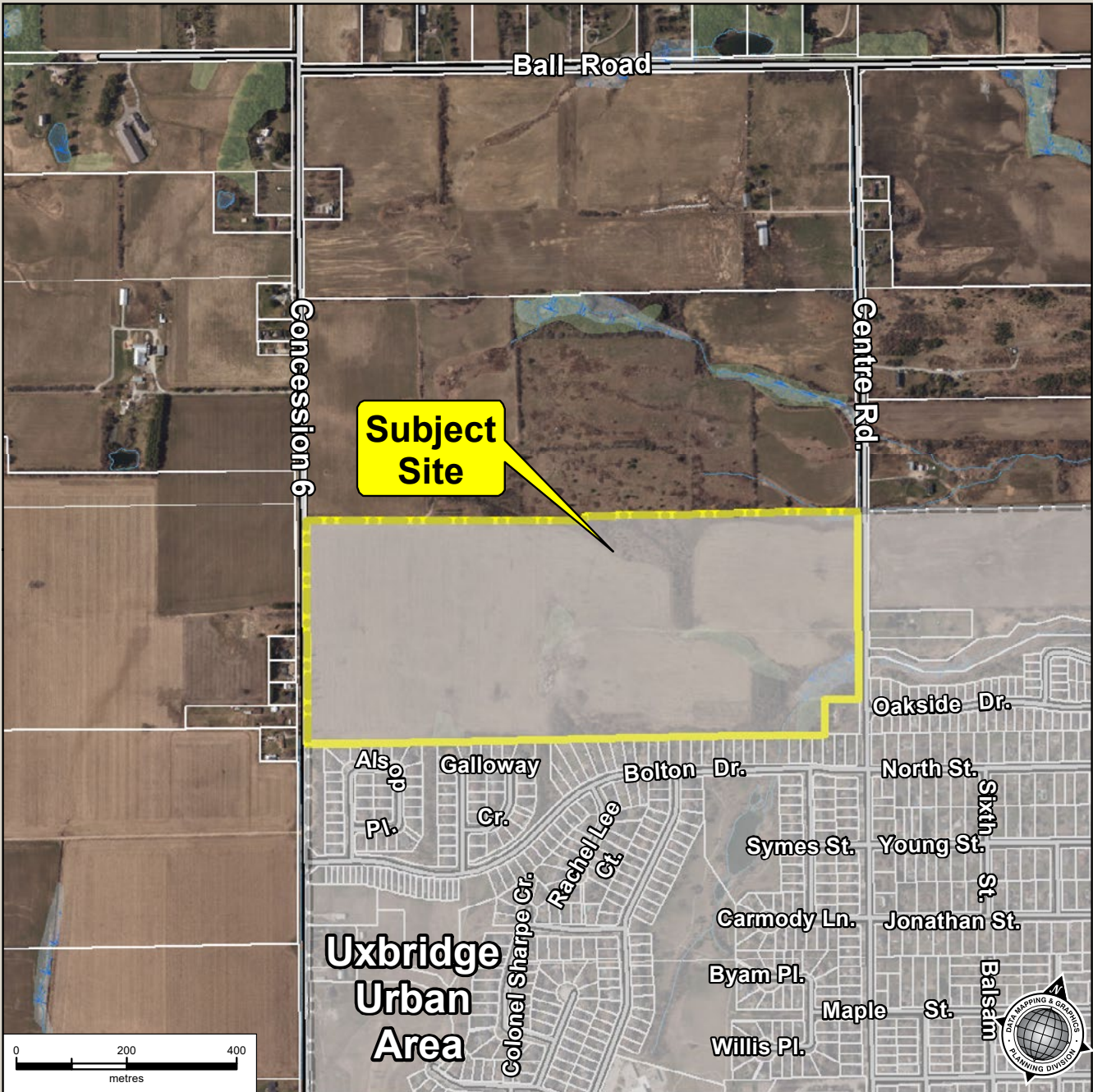
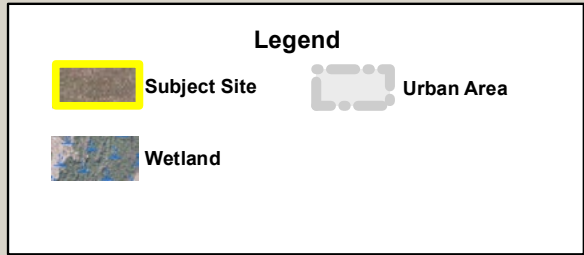
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Municipal Context

Township of Uxbridge



Attachment:1
Commissioner's Report: 2021-P.**
File: OPA 2021-005
Municipality: Township of Uxbridge



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OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM

Attachment: 2
Commissioner's Report: 2021-P-**
File: OPA 2021-005
Municipality: Township of Uxbridge

**FROM SPECIAL STUDY
AREA 6 TO
LIVING AREA**



OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
OF DURHAM



**SCHEDULE 'A' - MAP 'A2'
REGIONAL STRUCTURE**

LEGEND

URBAN SYSTEM

- URBAN AREA BOUNDARY
- REGIONAL CENTRE
- * URBAN GROWTH CENTRE
- REGIONAL CORRIDOR
- LIVING AREAS
- EMPLOYMENT AREAS
- S MUNICIPAL SERVICE
- ▨ AREAS DEVELOPABLE ON FULL/PARTIAL MUNICIPAL SERVICES
- ▧ AREAS DEVELOPABLE ON MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEMS & PRIVATE WASTE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS
- ▩ AREAS DEVELOPABLE ON PRIVATE WELLS & MUNICIPAL SEWER SYSTEMS
- AREAS DEVELOPABLE ON PRIVATE WELLS & PRIVATE WASTE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS
- BUILT BOUNDARY

RURAL SYSTEM

- PRIME AGRICULTURAL AREAS
- RURAL SETTLEMENTS :**
- HAMLET
- RURAL EMPLOYMENT AREA (SEE TABLE E3 FOR DESCRIPTION)
- COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION (SEE TABLE E2 FOR DESCRIPTION)
- SHORELINE RESIDENTIAL
- ▲ REGIONAL NODE (SEE SECTION 9C FOR DESCRIPTION)
- ◇ AGGREGATE RESOURCE EXTRACTION AREA (SEE TABLE E1 FOR DESCRIPTION)

GREENLANDS SYSTEM

- MAJOR OPEN SPACE AREAS
- WATERFRONT AREAS
- OAK RIDGES MORaine BOUNDARY
- ▲ TOURIST ACTIVITY / RECREATIONAL NODE
- OPEN SPACE LINKAGE
- OAK RIDGES MORaine AREAS
- GREENBELT BOUNDARY
- ▲ WATERFRONT PLACE
- WATERFRONT LINKS

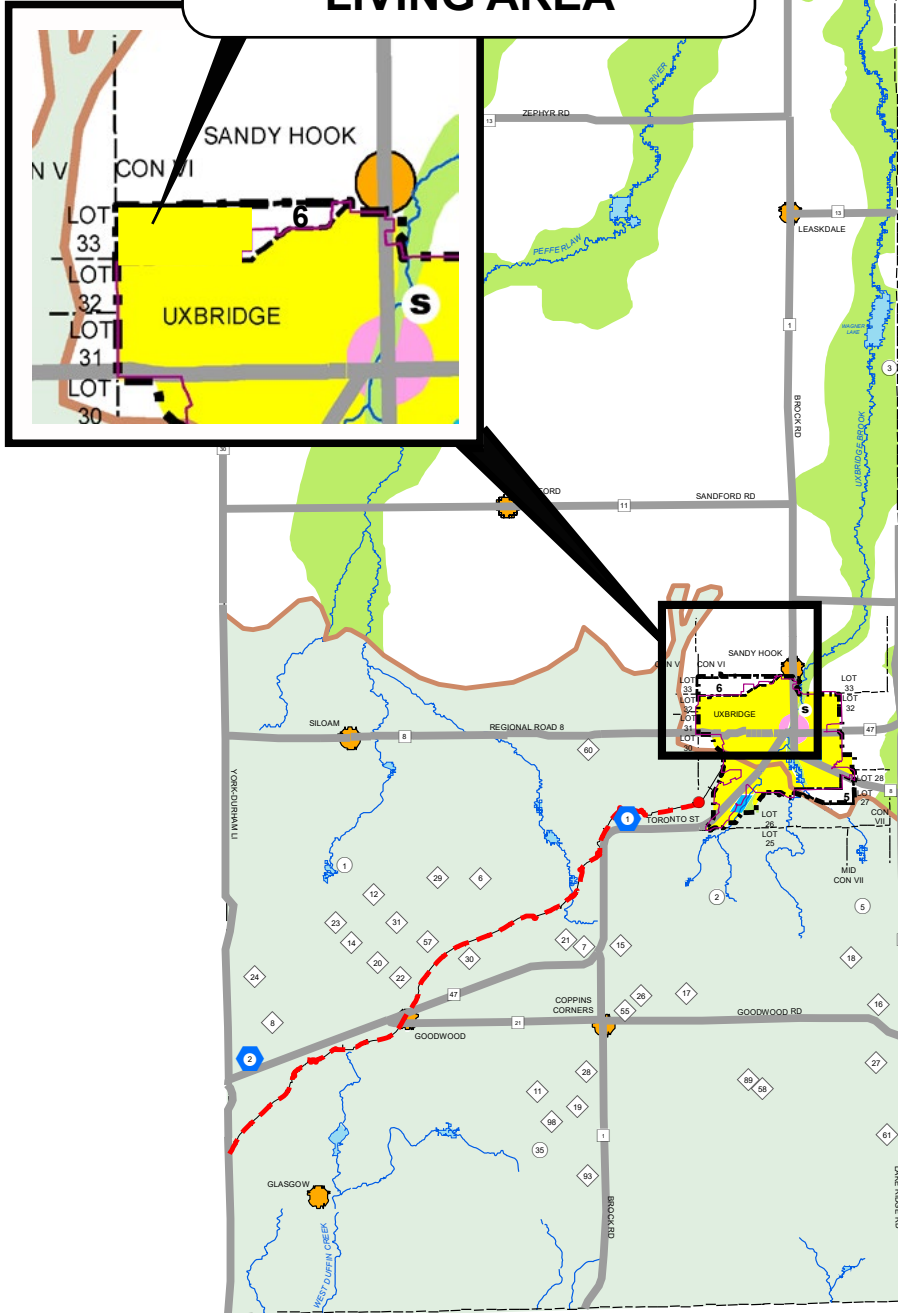
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

SEE SCHEDULE C FOR DESIGNATIONS
THE FOLLOWING IS SHOWN SELECTIVELY, FOR EASE OF INTERPRETATION OF OTHER DESIGNATIONS ONLY.

- | EXISTING | | FUTURE |
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| ▬ | ARTERIAL ROAD | ▬ |
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| ▬ | INTERCHANGE | ▬ |
| ▬ | GO RAIL | ▬ |
| ● | GO STATION | ● |

SPECIAL AREAS

- ▭ SPECIAL STUDY AREA
- ▭ DEFERRED BY MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS
- ▭ SPECIFIC POLICY AREA
- ▭ APPEALED TO O.M.B.
- ▭ LANDS APPEALED TO O.M.B. REFER TO POLICY 14.13.7



NOTES:
1) THIS MAP FORMS PART OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM AND MUST BE READ IN CONNECTION WITH THE TEXT.
2) THE DESIGNATIONS FOR THE DEFERRED AREA REFLECT THE POSITION OF REGIONAL COUNCIL, PLEASE REFER TO POLICY 15.13.
3) OFFICE CONSULTATION: MAY 26, 2020.
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The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

To: Planning and Economic Development Committee
From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2021-P-**
Date: September 7, 2021

Subject:

Public Meeting Report

Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Wichcoron Holding Limited, to permit the establishment of a golf course in the Town of Whitby, File: OPA 2021-006.

Recommendation:

That the Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends:

- A) That Commissioner's Report #2021-P-** be received for information; and
 - B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.
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Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 On June 2, 2021, The Biglieri Group, on behalf of Wichcoron Holdings Ltd. submitted an application to amend the Regional Official Plan (ROP) to permit the development of a golf course in the Town of Whitby. The application was deemed complete on July 2nd, 2021.

- 1.2 A Notice of Complete Application” and “Notice of Public Meeting” regarding this application was advertised in the Whitby this Week newspaper. Notice of this meeting has also been mailed out to those who own land within 120 metres (400 feet) of the subject site and notice was posted on the Region’s website. The report was made available to the public prior to the meeting.

2. Background

- 2.1 In 2016, Amendment No. 165 (ROPA 165) to the ROP was adopted by Regional Council to permit an 18-hole golf course (known as Devil’s Den), with a clubhouse and maintenance building on the adjacent property to the west of the subject lands. The Town of Whitby is currently processing a site plan application for Phase One of the proposed golf course.
- 2.2 The proposed amendment represents Phase Two of the Devil’s Den Golf Course development and would allow seven additional golf holes. The amendment also proposes a partial reconfiguration of the golf course approved through ROPA 165 by expanding Holes 1 and 9 within the Phase One lands partially onto the Phase Two lands, and by adding two additional holes on the Phase One lands. If approved, the proposed amendment would permit the Phase One and Phase Two areas of the golf course to function together as a 27-hole golf course, with a shared clubhouse, pro-shop, parking and maintenance facilities.

3. Previous Reports and Decisions

- 3.1 On February 21, 2012 Planning Committee received Public Meeting Report 2012-P-16 which proposed the 18-hole golf course in the Town of Whitby on the adjacent property.
- 3.2 On September 14, 2016 Regional Council considered ROPA 165 through Commissioner’s Report 2016-COW-9.

4. Site Description

- 4.1 The subject site is located on the south side of Winchester Road, east of Coronation Road. The parcel is municipally known as 605 Winchester Road West, Lot 30, Concession 5, in the Town of Whitby (refer to Attachment 1).
- 4.2 The subject site is generally square in shape and is 19.5 ha (48.2 acres) in size. The site is currently under active agricultural use with a wooded area and a valleyland

associated with Lynde Creek on the southern portion of the parcel. There is also a single-detached dwelling and several ancillary agricultural dwellings located on-site.

4.3 Surrounding land uses located adjacent to the subject site include:

- a. North – Winchester Road West (Highway 7), rural residential uses, agricultural lands, and Highway 407;
- b. East – wooded valleylands, a tributary of Lynde Creek, agricultural lands, and Highway 407;
- c. South – Lynde Creek, wooded valleylands, and the Heber Down Conservation Area; and
- d. West – beach and volleyball centre, Lynde Creek, rural lands with golf course permissions as approved by ROPA 165, Coronation Road, and Highway 412.

4.4 The subject site is designated Major Open Space Areas in the ROP but is identified as Prime Agricultural Area in the Province's Agricultural System.

5. Proposed Amendment

5.1 The proposed amendment to the ROP is seeking to permit a golf course on the subject site. A copy of the proposed site plan is included in Attachment 2.

6. Reports submitted in Support of the Application

6.1 The applicant has submitted the following reports in support of the application:

- Planning Rationale Report, prepared by The Biglieri Group (May 2021);
- Environmental Impact Study, prepared by GHD (March 2021);
- Phase One Environmental Site Assessment, prepared by Soil Engineers Ltd. (December 2020);
- Hydrogeological Assessment, prepared by Soil Engineers Ltd. (January 2021);
- Tree Inventory and Preservation Plan, prepared by Kuntz Forestry Inc. (December 2020);
- Stormwater Management Report, prepared by C.F. Crozier & Associates (December 2020);
- Archaeological Assessment, prepared by Archaeoworks Inc. (December 2020); and
- Agricultural Impact Assessment, prepared by Colville Consulting Inc. (February 2021).

7. Provincial Plans and Policies

Provincial Policy Statement, 2020

- 7.1 Policy 1.1.4.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) states that healthy, integrated and viable rural areas should be supported by building upon rural character, and leveraging rural amenities and assets; promoting diversification of the economic base and employment opportunities through goods and services, including value-added products and the sustainable management or use of resources; and providing opportunities for sustainable and diversified tourism, including leveraging historical, cultural, and natural assets.
- 7.2 Section 2 of the PPS speaks to Natural Heritage. As per Policy 2.1.5 of the PPS, development and site alteration are not permitted in significant woodlands, wetlands, valleylands, wildlife habitats, areas of natural and scientific interest and coastal wetlands.
- 7.3 The PPS states that prime agricultural areas shall be protected for long-term agricultural uses.
- 7.4 Policy 2.3.6.1 of the PPS enables some non-agricultural uses in prime agricultural areas. Such uses include the extraction of minerals, petroleum resources and mineral aggregate resources; or limited non-residential uses. Limited non-residential uses are permitted provided that the following are demonstrated:
1. the land does not comprise a specialty crop area;
 2. the proposed use complies with the minimum distance separation formulae;
 3. there is an identified need within the planning horizon provided for in policy 1.1.2 for additional land to accommodate the proposed use; and
 4. alternative locations have been evaluated, and
 - i. there are no reasonable alternative locations which avoid prime agricultural areas; and
 - ii. there are no reasonable alternative locations in prime agricultural areas with lower priority agricultural lands.

A Place to Grow, Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2020

- 7.5 In accordance with Policy 4.2.6.1 an agricultural system has been identified for the Greater Golden Horseshoe by the Province, and the subject site is within a Prime Agricultural Area.

7.6 As per Policy 4.2.6.9, upper-tier municipalities may refine the provincial mapping of the agricultural system at the time it is implemented in the Official Plan, as per the Province's Implementation Guidelines.

The Greenbelt Plan, 2017

7.7 The subject site is designated as Protected Countryside in the Greenbelt Plan and is a part of the Greenbelt Plan Natural Heritage System.

7.8 As per Policy 3.1.3.2 of the Greenbelt Plan, lands shall not be redesignated in official plans for non-agricultural uses except for:

- a. Refinements to the prime agricultural area and rural lands designations, subject to the policies of section 5.3 (municipal conformity amendments); or
- b. Settlement area boundary expansions, subject to the policies of section 3.4.

7.9 Major Open Space Areas in the ROP are subject to the "rural lands" policies of the Greenbelt Plan. As per Policy 3.1.4.1, rural lands support and provide the primary locations for a range of recreational, tourism, institutional (including cemetery) and resource based commercial/industrial uses. They also contain many historic highway commercial, non-farm residential and other uses which, in more recent times, would be generally directed to settlement areas but which are recognized as existing uses by this Plan and allowed to continue and expand subject to the policies of section 4.5.

Implementation Procedures for Ontario's Agricultural System in Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe ("Implementation Procedures")

7.10 The subject site is designated Major Open Space Areas in the ROP but is identified as Prime Agricultural Area in the Province's Agricultural System. In accordance with Section 3.2 of the Implementation Procedures, within the Greenbelt Plan Area the Provincial mapping came into effect in February 2018. Land use planning decisions must conform to the provincial mapping.

7.11 Refinements to the Provincial Agricultural System may be permitted. As per Section 3.3.1 of the Implementation Procedures, refinements can be made in advance of, or during the municipal comprehensive review process.

Regional Official Plan

7.12 As per Policy 10A.2.8 of the ROP, new and expanding major recreational uses, such as a golf course, may be permitted in Major Open Space Areas by amendment.

7.13 In accordance with Policy 10A.2.4 of the ROP where non-agricultural uses are contemplated within Major Open Space Areas and/or the Greenbelt Natural Heritage System, applicants shall demonstrate that:

- a. At least 30 percent of the total developable area of the site will remain or be returned to natural self-sustaining vegetation. This does not apply to new or expanding Aggregate Resource Extraction Areas;
- b. Connectivity along the system and between key natural heritage or hydrologic features located within 240 metres of each other is maintained or enhanced, or in the case of aggregate extraction, rehabilitated;
- c. Buildings or structures do not occupy more than 25 percent of the total developable area, and are planned to optimize the compatibility of the development with the natural surroundings; and
- d. With the exception of recreational uses, the use is small in scale and serves the resources and agricultural sectors.

7.14 Prime Agricultural Areas consist of areas where prime agricultural lands predominate. They also include areas of better agricultural significance and additional areas where there is a local concentration of farms which exhibit characteristics of ongoing agriculture.

7.15 As per policy 9A.2.2 within Prime Agricultural Areas, a full range of agriculture, agricultural-related and secondary uses shall be permitted. The establishment of non-agricultural uses in Prime Agricultural Areas shall be strictly limited to forest, fish and wildlife management, conservation, infrastructure, aggregate extraction and existing uses.

8. Consultation

8.1 The ROP amendment has been circulated to a variety of agencies, including the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Town of Whitby, Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority, the Regional Works Department, the Regional Health Department and the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

8.2 At the time of writing this report, comments were received from Trans Canada Pipeline, Trans-Northern Pipelines Inc. and Enbridge Gas who advised they had no concerns.

9. Public Consultation

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9.3 Anyone who wants to be notified of Regional Council's decision on the proposed ROP Amendment must submit a written request to:

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10.1 The Planning and Economic Development Committee will consider the proposed ROP Amendment at a future meeting and will make a recommendation to Regional Council. Council's decision will be final unless appealed.

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Development Committee and Regional Council at which the subject application will be considered.

11. Relationship to Strategic Plan

11.1 In the processing of ROP Amendment applications, the objective is to ensure responsive, effective and fiscally sustainable service delivery.

12. Attachments

Attachment #1: Location Sketch

Attachment #2: Golf Course Site Plan

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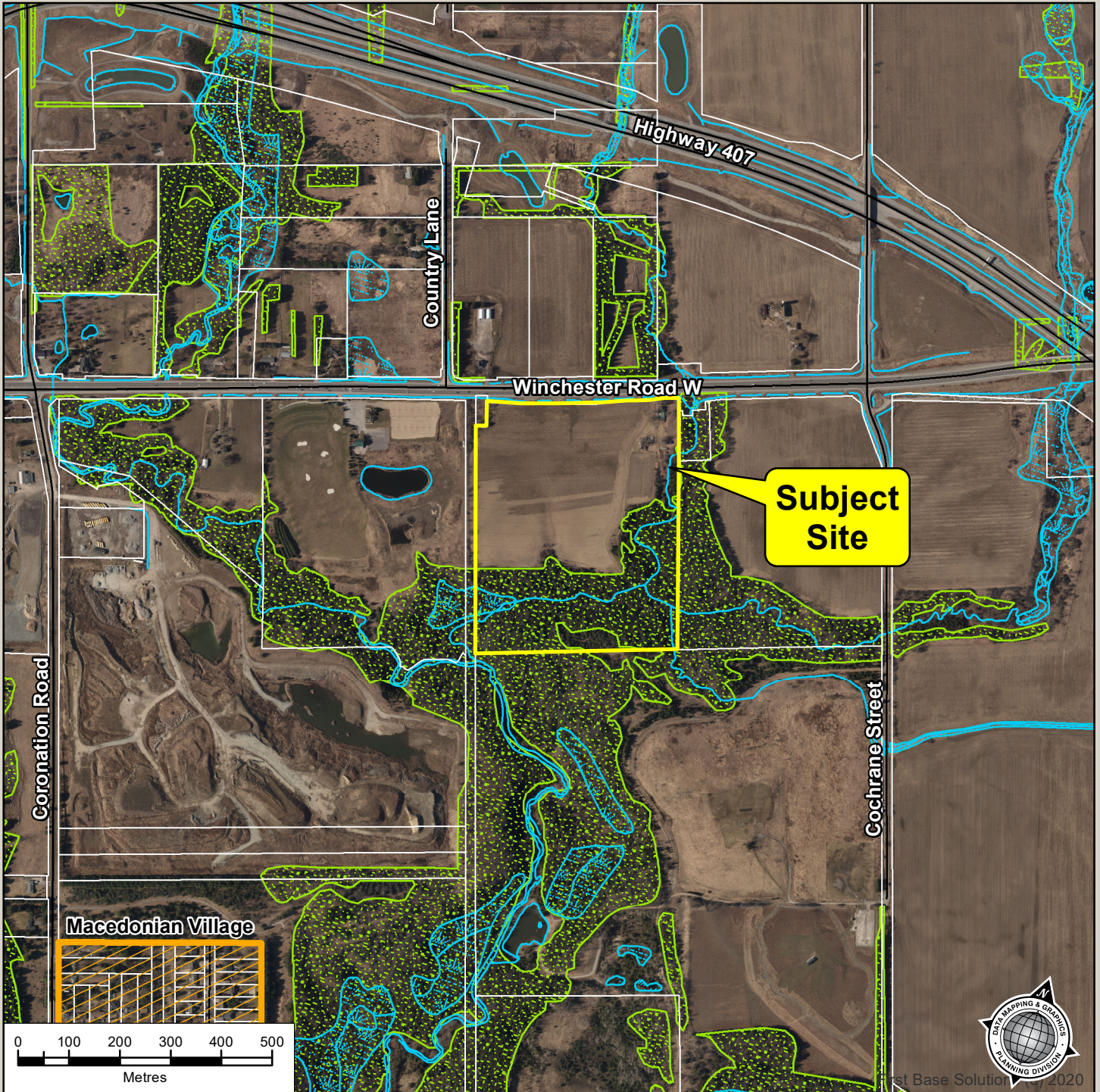
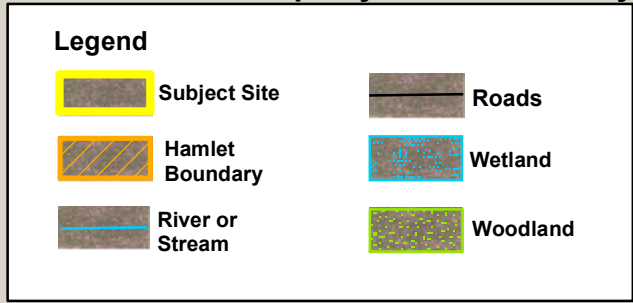
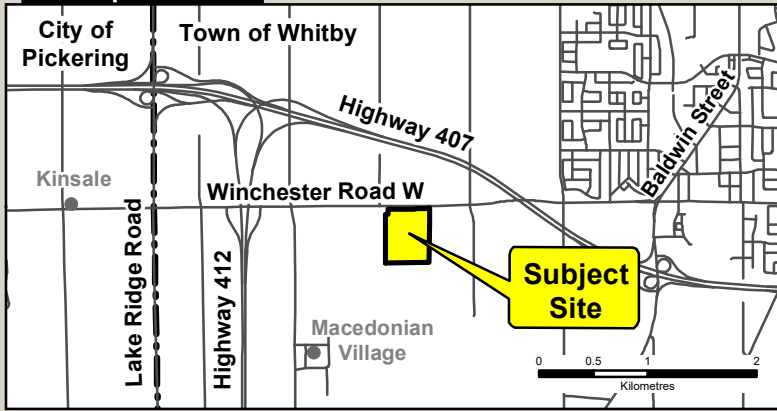
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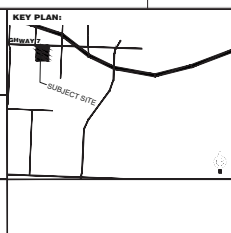


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WS	26	PICEA GLAUCA	WHITE SPRUCE	1.8M HEIGHT	WIRE BASKET
AB	41	FAGUS GRANDIFOLIA	AMERICAN BEECH	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
BC	42	PRUNUS SEROTINA	BLACK CHERRY	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
SM	121	ACER SACCHARUM	SUGAR MAPLE	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
WB	33	BETULA Papyrifera	WHITE BIRCH	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
BO	26	QUERCUS MACROCARPA	BUR OAK	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
RO	145	QUERCUS RUBRA	RED OAK	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
WO	28	QUERCUS ALBA	WHITE OAK	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
S	29	RHUS TYPHINA	STAGHORN SUMAC	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET
VT	65	VIBURNUM TRILOBUM	HIGHBUSH CRANBERRY	60CM	POT
PO	33	PHYSCARPUS OPULIFOLIUS	COMMON NINEBARK	60CM	POT
CS	50	CORNUS SERICEA	RED OSIER DOGWOOD	60CM	POT
AM	45	ARONIA MELANOCARPA	BLACK CHOKEBERRY	60CM	POT
PV	46	PRUNUS VIRGINIANA	CHOKECHERRY	60CM	POT
CH	15	CELTIS OCCIDENTALIS	COMMON HACKBERRY	60MM CALIPER	WIRE BASKET

TITLE:
**Devil's Den Site Plan
 Phase 2**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
 Part of Lots 30.31 & 32
 Concession 5, West of the Road
 Between Lots 30 & 31
 Concession 5
 Geographic: Township of Whitby
 County of Whitby
 Regional Municipality of Durham

605 Winchester Rd



LEGEND

- NATURAL HERITAGE
- FAIRWAY
- GREENS
- NATURAL SELF-SUSTAINING VEGETATION
- BUNKER

NOTES:
 DISTANCES AND/OR COORDINATES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN ARE IN METRES AND CAN BE CONVERTED TO FEET BY DIVIDING BY 0.3048.

SITE STATISTICS

AREA	ha	%
GREENS, FAIRWAYS, BUNKERS	3.32	16.40
NATURAL SELF-SUSTAINING VEGETATION	5.06	25.57
NATURAL HERITAGE	11.30	57.04
TOTAL SITE AREA	19.58ha	100.00

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EARLY RELEASE OF REPORT

**The Regional Municipality of Durham
Report**

To: Planning and Economic Development Committee
From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2021-P-**
Date: September 7, 2021

Subject:

Public Meeting Report

Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Vissers Sod Farm to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus to a farming operation as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Municipality of Clarington
File: OPA 2021-007.

Recommendation:

That the Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends to Regional Council:

- A) That Commissioner's Report #2021-P-** be received for information; and
 - B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.
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Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 On July 8, 2021, Clark Consulting Services Ltd. (CCS), on behalf of Antonius Vissers and Theodora Vissers (Vissers Sod Farm), submitted an application to amend the Regional Official Plan (ROP) to permit the following:

- a. the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Municipality of Clarington; and
 - b. that the proposed retained farm parcel be provided frontage onto a year-round publicly maintained road by way of a future access easement from the surplus farm dwelling parcel.
- 1.2 The applicant has submitted concurrent Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment applications to the Municipality of Clarington to request a reduction in the lot size of the future farm parcel, to prohibit further severances, and to allow the establishment of a dwelling on the future farm parcel.
 - 1.3 If Regional Council adopts the proposed amendment, the applicant intends to submit a future Consent application with the Region's Land Division Committee to sever the proposed surplus farm dwelling parcel from the existing lot.
 - 1.4 A "Notice of Complete Application and Public Meeting" regarding the application was advertised in the "Clarington This Week" newspaper. Notice of this meeting was also mailed to those who own land within 120 metres (400 feet) of the subject site. The report was made available to the public prior to the meeting.

2. Site Description

- 2.1 The subject site is located south of Taunton Road (Regional Road 4) between Green Road and Maple Grove Road. The site is municipally known as 4382 Green Road and is legally described as Part of Lots 17 and 18, Concession 4 in the former Township of Darlington. The site is located northwest of the Bowmanville Urban Area (refer to Attachment 1).
- 2.2 The subject site totals 37.1 hectares (ha) or 91.8 acres (ac) in size with approximately 28 ha (70 ac) of workable farmland.
- 2.3 Green Road is an annually maintained public road, whereas the segment of Maple Grove Road that abuts the western limit of the subject site is a seasonally maintained public road and provides access to the farm parcel during the spring, summer and fall seasons.
- 2.4 The existing lot is irregular in shape and contains an existing two-storey dwelling and no accessory buildings. The southern portion of the subject site contains natural heritage features associated with the Harmony-Farewell Iroquois Beach Wetland Complex.

- 2.5 Existing land uses surrounding the subject site include:
- a. North – agricultural lands, wetlands, and woodlands;
 - b. East – Green Road, residential uses, woodlands and valleylands;
 - c. South – An unopened road allowance between Concessions 3 and 4, residential uses, wetlands, and woodlands; and
 - d. West – Maple Grove Road (a seasonally maintained public road), agricultural lands, wetlands, and woodlands.
- 2.6 The proposed amendment to the ROP would permit the severance of a 0.607 ha (1.5 acre) parcel of land containing a farm dwelling from a 36.5 ha (90.3 acre) agricultural parcel (refer to Attachment 2). The dwelling on the subject site is not utilized by a farm employee and is currently rented. The retained agricultural parcel will continue to be farmed.

3. Reports Submitted in Support of the Application

- 3.1 A Planning Justification Report prepared by Clark Consulting Services Ltd. (CCS) was submitted in support of the application. The report concludes that the proposed amendment meets the objectives and requirements of the Provincial Policy Statement, the Greenbelt Plan and the ROP. The report also concludes the proposed severance will comply with Minimum Distance Separation (MDS) requirements.
- 3.2 A Farm Holdings Inventory Report prepared by CCS, indicates that Vissers Sod Farm Ltd. is a private farm corporation owned by Tony Vissers. Excluding the principals, the business presently employs 32 full-time staff.
- 3.3 The farm corporation (Vissers Sod Farm Ltd., or individual family members of the business) owns 10 farm properties throughout the Municipality of Clarington that encompass approximately 397 ha (981 ac) of land, primarily comprised of sod farms. Approximately 341 ha (842 ac) of the holdings are actively farmed (refer to Attachment 3). The company acquired the subject site in September 2019. The existing configuration reflects the consolidation of the two abutting parcels, which occurred in April 2021.
- 3.4 The Farm Holdings Inventory Report also states that there are five houses within the corporation's land holdings, three of which are occupied by family tenants, and the remaining two are occupied by persons unrelated to the farm. The dwelling on the subject site is currently rented by a non-farm employee. The proposed retained parcel will continue to be farmed by the corporation.

3.5 The Site Screening Questionnaire completed by GHD indicated that there are no significant environmental site contamination concerns on the subject site.

4. Provincial Plans and Policies

4.1 The subject site is located within the “Protected Countryside” designation of the Greenbelt Plan. A subject site also includes a “Natural Heritage System” overlay in this designation. The Provincial Policy Statement as well as the Greenbelt Plan may permit the severance of a residence surplus to a farming operation as a result of farm consultation. Severances of surplus farm dwellings are allowed provided the planning authority ensures that a residential dwelling is not permitted in the future on the proposed retained farm lot created by the severance.

5. Durham Regional Official Plan (ROP) Context

5.1 The subject site is designated “Major Open Space Areas” in the ROP. There are also Key Natural Heritage/Key Hydrologic Features identified on the south portion of the subject site. Severance applications for agricultural uses within the Major Open Space Area designation may be considered in accordance with the relevant policies of Sub-Section 9A of the ROP.

5.2 Policy 9A.2.10 of the ROP permits the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of a farmer acquiring a non-abutting farm, provided that:

- a. The dwelling is not needed for a farm employee;
- b. The farm parcel is a size which is viable for farming operations;
- c. For sites within the Protected Countryside of the Greenbelt Plan, the dwelling was in existence as of December 16, 2004; and
- d. The farm parcel is zoned to prohibit any further severances or the establishment of any residential dwelling.

5.3 Policy 14.8.5 of the ROP requires all proposed lots to have frontage upon, and access to, a public road which is maintained by the appropriate authority as open to traffic on a year-round basis and is of a standard construction adequate to provide for the additional traffic generated by the proposed development.

6. Consultation

6.1 The ROP Amendment has been circulated to a variety of agencies, including Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Municipality of Clarington; the

Regional Health Department; Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority; and the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

7. Public Consultation

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9. Previous Reports and Decisions

9.1 There are no previous reports on this matter.

10. Relationship to Strategic Plan

10.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:

- a. Economic Prosperity, Goal 3.5 provide a supportive environment for agriculture and agri-food industries.

11. Attachments

Attachment #1: Location Sketch

Attachment #2: Proposed Severance Sketch

Attachment #3: Agricultural Land Holdings

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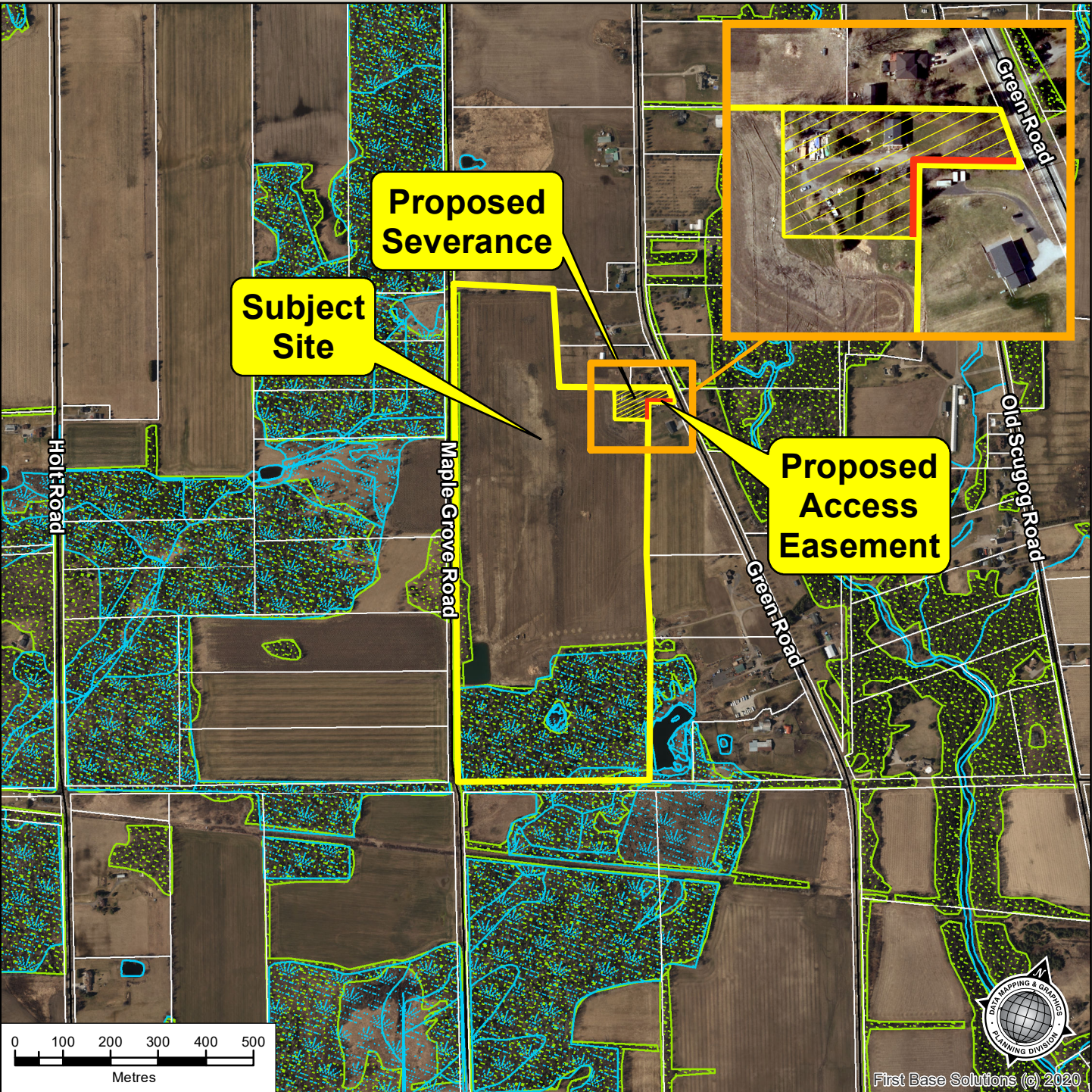
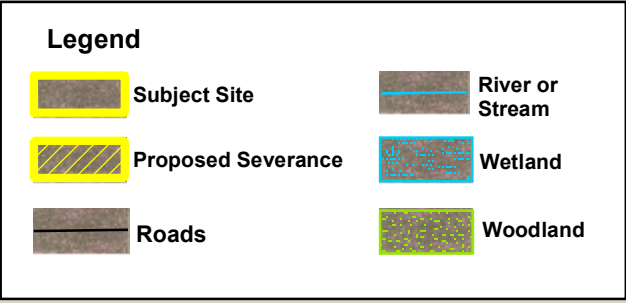
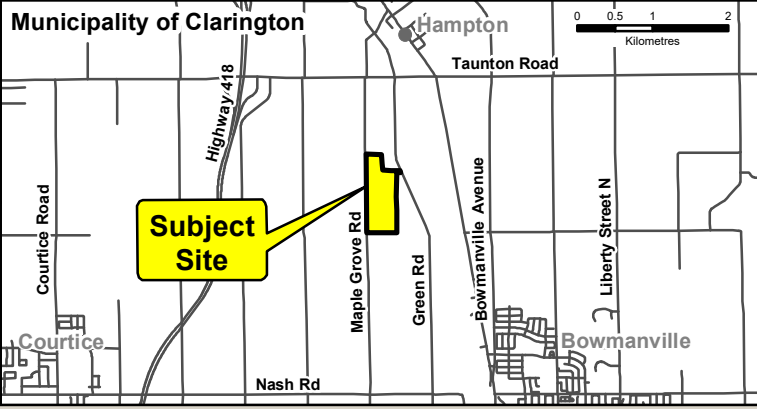
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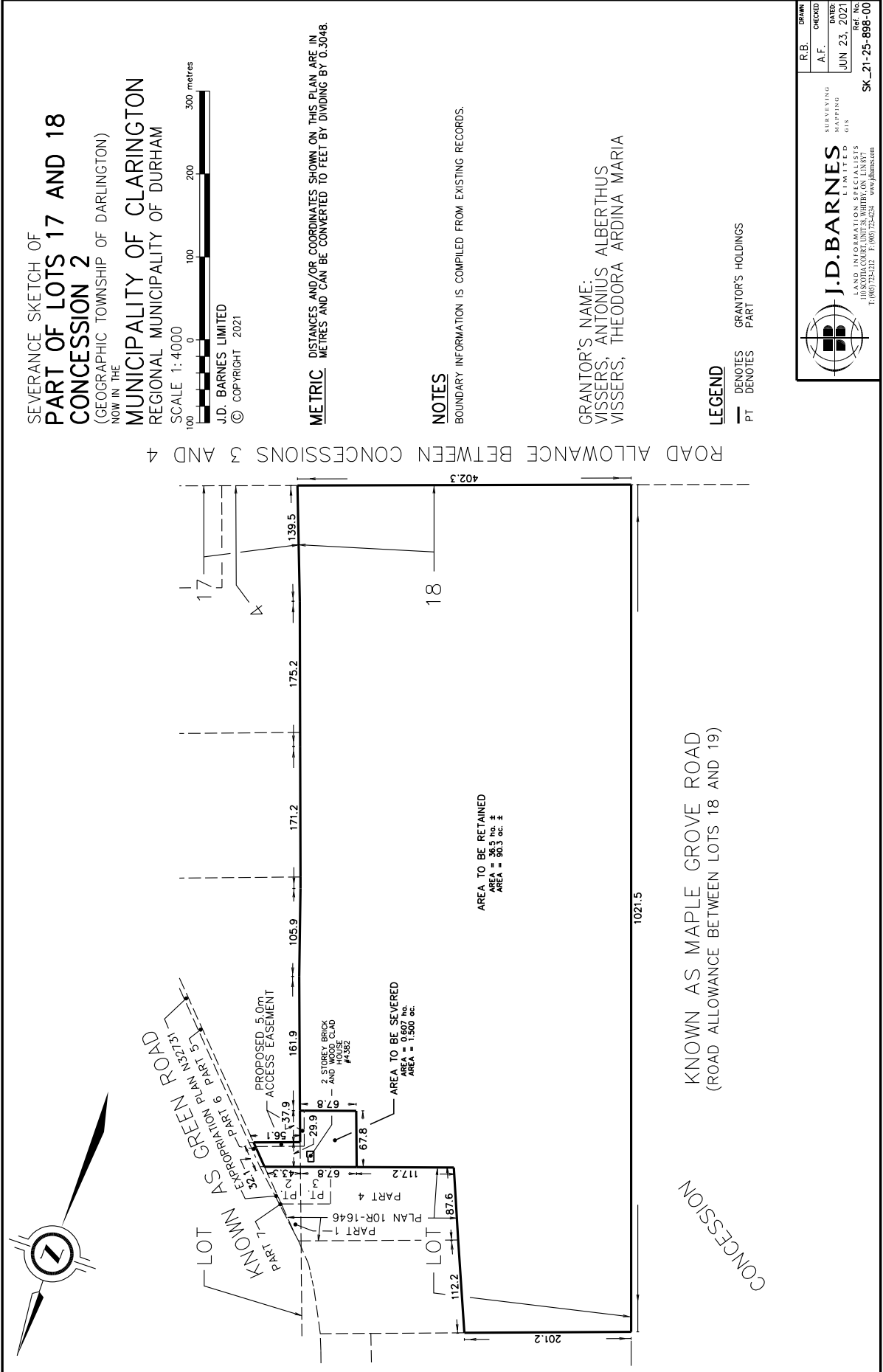
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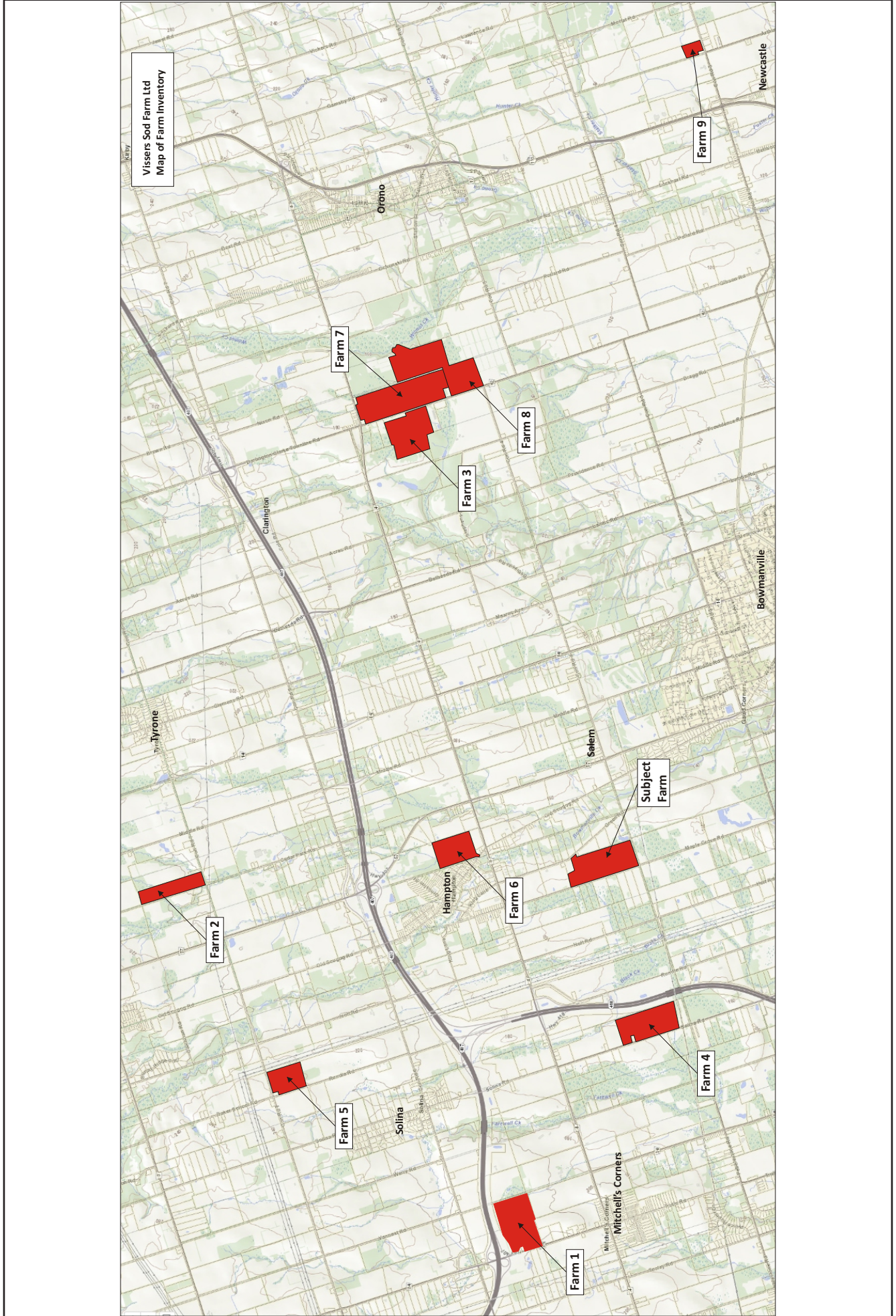


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Interoffice Memorandum

Date: August 6, 2021

To: Health & Social Services Committee

From: Dr. Robert Kyle

Subject: Health Information Update – August 1, 2021

Health
Department

Please find attached the latest links to health information from the Health Department and other key sources that you may find of interest. Links may need to be copied and pasted directly in your web browser to open, including the link below.

You may also wish to browse the online Health Department Reference Manual available at [Board of Health Manual](#), which is continually updated.

Boards of health are required to “superintend, provide or ensure the provision of the health programs and services required by the [Health Protection and Promotion] Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit served by the board” (section 4, clause a, HPPA). In addition, medical officers of health are required to “[report] directly to the board of health on issues relating to public health concerns and to public health programs and services under this or any other Act” (sub-section 67.(1), HPPA).

Accordingly, the Health Information Update is a component of the Health Department’s ‘Accountability Framework’, which also may include program and other reports, Health Plans, Quality Enhancement Plans, Durham Health Check-Ups, business plans and budgets; provincial performance indicators and targets, monitoring, compliance audits and assessments; RDPS certification; and accreditation by Accreditation Canada.

Respectfully submitted,

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UPDATES FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
August 1, 2021

Health Department Media Releases/Publications

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- What's Up Doc? Vol 14, No 2 (Jul 20)

[tinyurl.com/p4yrfm6s](https://www.tinyurl.com/p4yrfm6s)

- Durham Region Weekly Beach Report (Jul 22)

[tinyurl.com/ynrasm6j](https://www.tinyurl.com/ynrasm6j)

- Health Department reports first West Nile virus positive mosquitoes for 2021 (Jul 23)

[tinyurl.com/nuh88zyh](https://www.tinyurl.com/nuh88zyh)

- RotaTeq to Rotarix (Jul 23)

[tinyurl.com/nh36vu7](https://www.tinyurl.com/nh36vu7)

- Like, share and tag your COVID-19 vaccine selfie with the Health Department and win prizes (Jul 26)

[tinyurl.com/n2jhzjsw](https://www.tinyurl.com/n2jhzjsw)

- COVID-19 Vaccine Walk-in Appointments Available (Jul 28)

[tinyurl.com/rthrxry5](https://www.tinyurl.com/rthrxry5)

- Durham Region Weekly Beach Report (Jul 28)

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

[tinyurl.com/ymcwkrtn](https://www.tinyurl.com/ymcwkrtn)

- Canada Supports Rapid Housing Projects in Durham Region (Jul 21)

Employment and Social Development Canada

[tinyurl.com/h3n6bu3m](https://www.tinyurl.com/h3n6bu3m)

- Canada Child Benefit increases once again to keep up with the cost of living (Jul 20)

[tinyurl.com/hexy9mst](https://www.tinyurl.com/hexy9mst)

- Government of Canada proposes new regulations to improve protection of temporary foreign workers (Jul 26)

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- Budget 2021 measures under new Canada Student Financial Assistance begin August 1st (Jul 30)

Environment and Climate Change Canada

[tinyurl.com/cr6jbduh](https://www.tinyurl.com/cr6jbduh)

- Canada invests \$9 million for nature conservation across southern Ontario (Jul 28)

Health Canada

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- Health Canada release What We Heard Report from the Public Engagement on the National Strategy for Drugs for Rare Diseases (Jul 26)

Indigenous Services Canada

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- Government of Canada COVID-19 Update for Indigenous Peoples and communities, week of June 21 (Jul 21)

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- Government of Canada COVID-19 Update for Indigenous Peoples and communities, week of July 26 (Jul 28)

Infrastructure Canada

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- Government of Canada launches new program intake to help reduce the impacts of climate change and better protect Canadians against natural disasters (Jul 20)

tinyurl.com/e2bkcat4

- Deputy Prime Minister announces over \$1.6 billion in support for Ontario municipalities through the Canada Community-Building Fund (Jul 29)

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- Government of Canada Releases Recommendations for Moving Forward on Canada's First National infrastructure Assessment (Jul 29)

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

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- The Government of Canada announces biomanufacturing and life sciences strategy (Jul 28)

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- Nearly 280,000 Ontario residents to benefit from historic agreement to improve access to high-speed internet (Jul 29)

Natural Resources Canada

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- Canada Invests in Dynamic Electric Vehicle Showroom (Jul 29)

Prime Minister's Office

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- Canada reaches major vaccine campaign milestone (Jul 27)

Public Health Agency of Canada

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- Government of Canada announces easing of border measures for fully vaccinated travellers (Jul 19 21)

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- Statement from the Minister of Health on the Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Network Report (Jul 20)

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- Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on July 21, 2021

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- Two individuals fined for providing false information related to COVID-19 proof of vaccination credential and pre-departure tests (Jul 30)

Transport Canada

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- Minister of Transport releases statement launching public consultation to improve the safety culture within Canada's railway industry (Jul 20)

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- Government of Canada takes action to further reduce the risk of uncontrolled movement of railway equipment (Jul 30)

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Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services

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- Ontario Building Capacity to Support Children on the Autism Spectrum (Jul 28)

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- Ontario Protecting Children at Risk of Sex Trafficking (Jul 29)

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

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- Ontario invests over \$1.9 million to Protect and Restore the Great Lakes (Jul 19)

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- Ontario Ramping Up Efforts to Reduce Surgical Wait Times (Jul 27)

Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development

tinyurl.com/3zhexw59

- Ontario Helping 100,000 Workers Train for In-Demand Jobs (Jul 20)

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

<https://tinyurl.com/2hr3vcfp>

- Ontario Proposing to add Darlington Provincial Park into the Greenbelt (Jul 26)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Association of Local Public Health Agencies

tinyurl.com/42t4y3pv

- CMOH Reopening Advisory Letter (Jul 27)

Financial Accountability Office of Ontario

tinyurl.com/ye5z44u5

- Ontario spent \$10.3 billion less than planned in 2020-21 (Jul 21)

Public Health Ontario

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- PHO Connections (Jul 27)

Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario

tinyurl.com/5fyz39yk

- Mandatory vaccination – Open letter from RNAO to Ontario's Premier Hon. Doug Ford (Jul 21)

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- What is the plan for the safe reopening of schools? An open letter to Premier Doug Ford (Jul 28)

Sent by Email

July 29, 2021

Alexander Harras
Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk
Town of Ajax
clerks@ajax.ca

Subject: Vehicle Noisemaker Muffler Systems
Corr. 34-21
File: A-1400-001-21

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The Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering considered the above matter at a meeting held on July 26, 2021 and adopted the following resolution:

That Corr. 34-21, from Alexander Harras, Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk, Town of Ajax, dated June 24, 2021, regarding the Vehicle Noisemaker Muffler Systems, be endorsed.

A copy of the original correspondence is attached for your reference.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905.420.4660, extension 2019.

Yours truly



Susan Cassel
City Clerk

SC:rp
Enclosure

Copy: The Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation
The Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Long-Term Care

The Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
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Lindsey Park, Member of Provincial Parliament, Durham
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Sent by E-Mail

June 24, 2021

Re: Vehicle Noisemaker Muffler Systems

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held June 21, 2021:

WHEREAS according to section 75 of the *Highway Traffic Act (HTA)*, every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a muffler in good working order and in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual noise and excessive smoke, and no person shall use a muffler cut-out, straight exhaust, gutted muffler, Hollywood muffler, by-pass or similar device upon a motor vehicle;

AND WHEREAS the act of modifying the exhaust system of a motor vehicle is not currently an offence under the *HTA*, and as a result muffler and auto-body shops continue to provide such services to individuals who choose to modify their vehicles which could make these vehicles less safe;

AND WHEREAS Durham Regional Police Service has been actively laying charges (49 to date) pursuant to section 75 of the *HTA* against motor vehicle operators whose vehicles make excessive or unusual noise or produce excessive smoke from muffler systems that have been modified;

AND WHEREAS Ajax Council continues to receive negative feedback about an increase in noise due to modified vehicles on Regional and local roads;

AND WHEREAS on October 28, 2019, the Province of Ontario introduced *Bill 132, Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2019* which in part sought to amend the *HTA* to include a new section 75.1 that will make it an offence to tamper with motor vehicles by (a) removing, bypassing, defeating or rendering inoperative all or part of a motor vehicle's emission control system or (b) modifying a motor or motor vehicle in any way that results in increased emissions from the level to which it was originally designed or certified by the manufacturer of the motor or motor vehicle, as well as prohibit the sale of tampering devices that can create excessive noise or smoke on our streets and in our neighbourhoods;

AND WHEREAS Bill 132 received Royal Assent on December 10, 2019, however, the Lieutenant Governor has not yet proclaimed section 75.1 of the *HTA*;

AND WHEREAS the City of Mississauga has passed two motions (August 2020 and May 2021), and Region of Peel also passed a motion (May 2021) calling on the Province of Ontario to immediately proclaim and bring into force section 75.1 of the *HTA*;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Ajax Council urge the Province of Ontario to work with the Lieutenant Governor to expedite the proclamation of section 75.1 of the *Highway Traffic Act (Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2019, S.O. 2019, c. 14, Sched. 16, s. 11)*;
2. The Ministry of Transportation be requested to set a maximum decibel count for exhaust systems to ensure that exhaust systems with the capability of exceeding 80 decibels will not be available for sale and will not be permitted in the Province of Ontario, and consider reviewing and increasing associated penalties for non-compliance;
3. The Province of Ontario be requested to provide funding for police services in Ontario to be equipped with approved decibel monitor devices to aid in effective enforcement efforts; and
4. A copy of this motion be sent to the Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, the Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Long-Term Care and MPP for Ajax, all Durham Region Members of Provincial Parliament, the Region of Durham, all Durham municipalities, Durham Regional Police Service, and the Ontario Provincial Police.

If you require further information please contact me at 905-619-2529 ext. 3342 or alexander.harras@ajax.ca.

Sincerely,



Alexander Harras
Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk


Copy: Regional Councillor M. Crawford
Councillor R. Tyler Morin
Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Long-Term Care and MPP for Ajax
All Durham Region MPPs
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Sent by Email

July 29, 2021

Alexander Harras
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Subject: Support for Autistic Adults
Corr. 33-21
File: A-1400-001-21

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That Corr. 33-21, from Alexander Harras, Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk, Town of Ajax, dated June 24, 2021, regarding the Support for Autistic Adults, be endorsed.

A copy of the original correspondence is attached for your reference.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905.420.4660, extension 2019.

Yours truly



Susan Cassel
City Clerk

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The Hon. Erin O'Toole, Member of Parliament, Durham

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Sent by E-Mail

June 24, 2021

Re: Support for Autistic Adults

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held June 21, 2021:

WHEREAS an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) diagnosis is a neurodiverse condition that applies to an estimated 135,000 Ontarians, characterized by differences in the way that the individual communicates and relates to the world around them. As the word “spectrum” suggests, ASD impacts and challenges each individual differently, and in some cases includes co-occurring health concerns;

AND WHEREAS included on the ASD continuum are people at three different “levels”, defined in relation to the amount of specialized supports and interventions they require to live independently, or participate in a neurotypical context. People labelled as level 3 require very substantial support. Often, persons identified as level 3 are not able to communicate verbally, can be impacted by extreme anxiety and rigidity in their routines, and are prone to severe emotional dysregulation, distress, violence and self-injuring behaviours, which cause tremendous safety concerns;

AND WHEREAS parents of people diagnosed with ASD, and specifically for those impacted by a level 3 diagnosis, report “glaring gaps in the supports available, especially for autistic adults, people with lower incomes, people in rural areas, and Black, Indigenous and people of colour.” (Autism Ontario);

AND WHEREAS specifically, once a person turns 18, they typically lose access to most ASD government funding and services, which are largely geared toward children. Some of the most significant gaps in supports include long wait times and inaccessible or unaffordable respite care and housing. Group homes are often the best and safest living environments for people with level 3 ASD. A group home setting can offer 24-hour care, firm routine, access to social workers and other care providers, as well as appropriate supervision for social interactions and outings that working parents simply cannot provide. The need for appropriate and timely care has been highlighted and exacerbated by the Covid-19 pandemic;

AND WHEREAS over 14,000 individuals (and growing) with ASD are on waitlists for affordable housing (CBC, 2020), and individuals receiving funding from the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) do not receive enough money to sustain access to private group

home accommodations. The maximum single rate for ODSP in 2020 was \$1,169/month (\$14,028), compared to the cost of private group home living at \$90,000/year, and parents are often financially unable to bridge the gap while providing necessities for themselves and other family members;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Ajax Council calls on the Province of Ontario to increase the supply of affordable, supportive housing and respite care options for both children and adults diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder, equipped with access to wrap-around services, and prioritized by need;
2. Ajax Council requests that the Province of Ontario consider increasing the Ontario Disability Support Program allocations to provide individuals and families with more housing options for adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder;
3. That Ajax Council calls on the federal government to expedite the development of a National Autism Strategy; and
4. This motion be distributed to the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, the Hon. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, the Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, the Hon. Rod Phillips, Minister of Long-Term Care and MPP for Ajax, all Durham Region MPPs, Chair John Henry, Region of Durham, all Durham Region municipalities, all Durham Region MPs, and Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for circulation.

If you require further information please contact me at 905-619-2529 ext. 3342 or alexander.harras@ajax.ca.

Sincerely,



Alexander Harras
Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

Copy: Councillor A. Khan
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Hon. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
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All Durham Region MPPs
Durham Regional Chair John Henry
All Durham Region municipalities
All Durham Region MPs
Rt Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada

Enclosures: Delegate Speech
Presentation: Not your TV Friendly Autism

I have been wondering this whole time how I can fit this story into 5 minutes for it has been 10 years of struggles. My name is Vanessa Shelley and like so many of you I am a parent.

From the moment I mention to anyone I have an autistic son they usually say “oh like on tv”. I am here to today to tell you that my sons type of Autism isn't the TV friendly kind portrayed on shows like The Good Doctor, Atypical or even Sheldon Cooper from the Big Bang Theory. For his type of autism is the most severe type, the level III.

Diagnosed at age 2 his cognitive function remains at that level even today. He is considered nonverbal though he does say some words and phrases with much intense therapy. At only 3 years of age, his extreme violence began which resulted in a broken nose, endless scratches, bites and bruises to not only myself but any of his caregivers. This violence continued on until he was 6. He stayed in diapers until the age of nearly 8. (though sadly many will never potty train and will continue diapers into adulthood.)

At the age of 9 the self injuring began. Watching your child repeatedly and obsessively bash his head against walls, counters and furniture to the point of bruising and being bloody, tearing flesh from his body or hair from his own head is a gut-wrenching experience is an understatement

In April I frantically had to call 911 as he tried to smash his head through a plate glass window and would beat me when I would try to stop him. He ended up at Sick Kids Hospital in the Psych ward for 5 days heavily sedated and even was strapped down to the bed. He was considered a violent patient, so I had to have a support worker in the room 24/7 with me for safety and there was a guard posted outside his door.

As a parent our mandate is to keep our children safe. This has nearly impossible as he reaches my size because his obsessions, violence and self injuring compulsions become increasingly worse. In fact 2 weeks after being released from hospital he attempted to hit his head off my steering wheel while driving on the 401 nearly killing us. This has happened multiple times since. He has no sense of danger and like so many children at the level 3 will escape from the home and wander without the verbal reasoning skills if he were to get lost to be able to tell anyone where he lives. Special locks are required on all our doors.

He also requires constant supervision for even taking a minute to use the washroom or have a shower means he will tear lights from the ceiling, pull outlets from the walls, break glass and head bang.. Many are shocked that I still must baby proof my house so that he can dump chemicals on himself or break dishes. To say it is exhausting is an understatement. This is the reason more parents in this situation have little if any energy to fight for the awareness we need. Most of our marriages (including my own)will fail because of the stress and constant turmoil leaving single parents even more exhausted, beaten and alone.

I have spent countless hours dealing with doctors, behavioural therapists and crisis centres trying to regulate the behaviours. Programs like ABA and IBI have asked him to leave as his needs and behaviours were more than they could handle, leaving myself to look after him. So many of programs designed to provide respite to parents he does not qualify as his level of needs is too high.

I began to realize that The option to keep him fulltime in my care was becoming more and more dangerous. As I began to inquire for long term solutions, I was hit with the hard reality that there are 15 year waitlists for public care homes or private homes that could take him sooner but at a cost of \$530/day

I tell my story because so many parents on these long waitlist end up trying to keep their children in their care and suffer serious injuries or even get killed.

I want to commend the government for the steps they have taken to provide support for autism in general. I especially want to thank Councillors Khan and Dies for truly hearing what residents of not only Ajax and Durham Region are facing but truly Ontarian's and Canadians alike. Their commitment to letting our voices be heard is commendable and more appreciated than we can ever express in words.

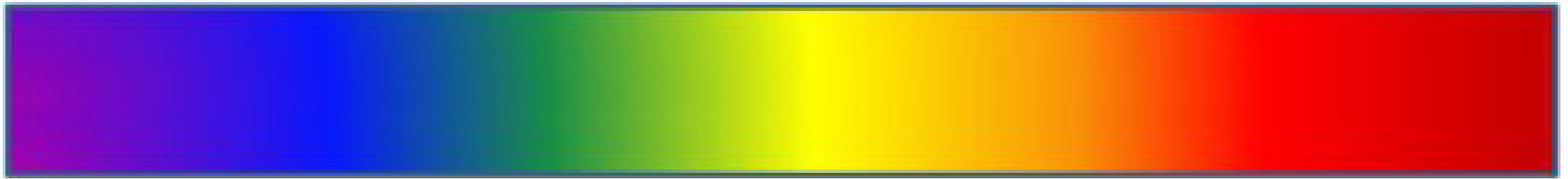
If I can do anything here today it is to bring awareness to a situation that many are unaware exists but is all too real for so many of us parents.



Level 3 Autism

NOT AS SEEN ON TV





LEVEL 1

High Functioning Autism

Requiring support;
Difficulty initiating
social interactions;
Inflexibility of behavior;
Difficulty switching
activities; Problems
with organization.

LEVEL 2

Autism

Requiring substantial
support; Marked
deficits with social
interactions;
Inflexibility of behavior;
Difficulty or distress
coping with
change; Repetitive
behaviors.

LEVEL 3

Severe Autism

Requiring very
substantial
support; Severe
deficits with social
interactions &
communication;
Inflexibility of behavior;
Extreme difficulty
or distress coping
with change; Repetitive
behaviors interfere

Headbanging

SELF INJURING



911 Call Day







I fear my 14-year-old son will kill me one day

When Sarah's son Robbie was diagnosed with autism, aged four, she swore she would always protect and care for him. But 10 years on, she is in need of protection herself



▲ 'The tension in our house now is constant. If Robbie does hit me when I'm alone I curl up in a ball on the floor and try to protect my face.' Photograph: Posed by model/Alamy

Admitting that I'm scared of my son is almost impossible and no one knows all the details of our life behind closed doors. I'm small and very slight and Robbie is now nearly 6 feet tall and quite solid so he can inflict a lot of damage on me if my husband David isn't there to stop it. The first time Robbie hurt me he was 11 and I'm still not convinced it was deliberate. We'd had a week of terrible weather and

'I'm scared of my own autistic child'

By Noel Phillips and Tanya Hines
BBC Victoria Derbyshire programme

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Ian Goldworthy says bars across the windows have made his son's bedroom "look like a cell"

Parents struggling to cope with their violent autistic children are not being properly supported by local authorities, the National Autistic Society says.

For some, a violent outburst can be a daily occurrence.

"I'm scared of him. You live on a knife edge. You don't know what's coming next," Lucy Goldworthy told the BBC's Victoria Derbyshire programme.

She has previously been left with a split lip and bruising following her son Elliot's violent outbursts, while her husband Ian has been left with a scratched cornea.

Twelve-year-old Elliot has autism and learning difficulties which, in his case, means he is unable to speak.

His condition requires round-the-clock care and he does not understand the effects of his actions.

Ian and Lucy say their son became violent and aggressive from the age of five.

At his current age, he is becoming increasingly difficult to control.

"If it was a toddler, having a huge tantrum, scratching and kicking you, you can manage it better," Lucy says.



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June 24, 2021

Town of Fort Erie
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Attention: Carol Scholfield, Dip.M.A., Manager
Legislative Services/Clerk

Dear Ms. Schofield:

RE: Capital Gain Tax on Primary Residence

Please be advised the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Niagara-on-the Lake, at its regular meeting held on June 21, 2021 approved the following resolution:


BE IT RESOLVED that Council endorse the correspondence from the Town of Fort Erie for the resolution regarding Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence dated June 1, 2021.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact our office at 905-468-3266.

Yours sincerely,

Colleen Hutt
Acting Town Clerk

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Legislative Services

June 1, 2021
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Honourable and Dear Sirs:

Re: Capital Gains Tax on Primary Residence

The Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of May 31, 2021 passed the following resolution:

Whereas primary residences are currently exempt from a capital gains tax, and

Whereas currently secondary and additional non-primary properties are subject to capital gains, and

Whereas the Federal Government is currently looking into a primary residence capital gains tax as they have recognized that affordable housing has become a serious issue in Canada, and

Whereas smaller communities including the Town of Fort Erie are seeing unprecedented higher selling prices that are outpacing prices in larger cities, and

Whereas many hard-working Canadians who have only a primary residence with no additional non-primary homes count on their home equity as financial aid to apply to upsizing or downsizing their home depending on their personal situation, and

Whereas a change in taxation to primary residences would be a significant financial blow to Canadians and would create an unfair, two-tiered taxation which could lead to depleted savings, inter-generational disparities, disparities among diverse groups such as seniors who may have a significant portion of their savings vested in their primary residence, as well as, reducing the ability of home ownership thereby a further, higher need for rentals, and

Whereas the Federal government could look at other means to slow down the rapidly escalating housing costs to improve housing affordability;

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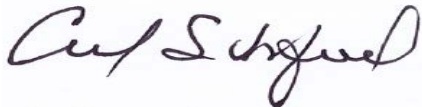
Now therefore be it resolved,

That: The Federal Government cease further consideration of eliminating capital gains tax exemptions on primary residences, and further

That: A copy of this resolution be circulated to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, All Members of Parliament, All Members of Provincial Parliament, The Regional Municipality of Niagara, and all Municipalities, for their support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours very truly,



Carol Schofield, Dipl.M.A.
Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk

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c.c. All Members of Parliament
All Members of Provincial Parliament
The Regional Municipality of Niagara
Ontario Municipalities

Finance & Audit Committee Resolution

Committee Meeting Date: July 6, 2021
Agenda Item: 9b
Resolution Number: 2021-07-06-465
Moved by: R. Crane
Seconded by: W. Cane
Council Meeting Date: July 21, 2021

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“That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered Report 2021-115, ‘Municipal Court Managers’ Association / POA Advocacy’ recommend that County Council request the Attorney General of Ontario to halt the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation by making it easier and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions, and by making it more effective and efficient to administer early resolution proceedings for Part I and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council request the Attorney General of Ontario to enact changes to the Provincial Offences Act and any related regulations to permit the prosecutor and defendant or legal representative to agree, at any stage of a proceeding, to a resolution in writing for proceedings commenced under Part I or Part II of the POA, and to permit the Clerk of the Court to register the court outcome immediately upon receipt of the written agreement without requiring an appearance before a justice of the peace; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council request the Ministry of Transportation in consultation with Municipalities consider suspending (temporarily) the imposition of demerit points for persons who pay their ticket in cases where they have no previous relevant convictions; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to forward a copy of this resolution to the Ministry of the Attorney General, MPP David Piccini (Northumberland – Peterborough South), and all Ontario municipalities.”

Carried *W. Cane*
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated _____
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred _____
Committee Chair's Signature

Council Resolution

Moved By J. Henderson

Agenda
Item 10

Resolution Number
2021-07-21-491

Seconded By S. Arthur

Council Date: July 21, 2021

"**That** County Council adopt all recommendations from the five Standing Committees, as contained within the Committees' Minutes (July 5, 6, 7, 2021 meetings), with the exception of any items identified by Members, which Council has/will consider separately, including Item 9f of this agenda, the 'Thompson Bridge Closure'."

Recorded Vote
Requested by _____
Councillor's Name

Carried 
Warden's Signature

Deferred _____
Warden's Signature

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Warden's Signature

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Report 2021-115

Report Title: Municipal Court Managers' Association / POA Advocacy

Committee Name: Finance and Audit Committee

Committee Meeting Date: July 3, 2021

Prepared by: Randy Horne, Court Services Manager

Reviewed by: Glenn Dees, Director of Finance/Treasurer

Approved by: Jennifer Moore, CAO

Council Meeting Date: July 21, 2021

Strategic Plan Priorities: Leadership in Change

Recommendation

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Further That the Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to forward a copy of this resolution to the Ministry of the Attorney General, MPP David Piccini (Northumberland – Peterborough South), and all Ontario municipalities.”

Purpose

Immediate regulatory and legislative changes are critical to delivering services to the public by putting in place the most modern, efficient, and effective justice system attainable.

The proposed Early Resolution reforms in Bill 177 Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act do not fully support the objectives of the Ministry of the Attorney General pertaining to creating a modernized and efficient justice system. These changes create procedural barriers that prevent reasonable and effective access to court procedures by replacing a simplified process currently in place with a complex lengthy process.

Background

Northumberland County is not currently opted into the formal Early Resolution process as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act (POA). Early Resolution discussions occur informally, scheduled with the Prosecution Team for all defendants (or their agents) who indicate option 3 (Trial) in response to a Part I (or Part II) charge.

The existing Early Resolution legislation (formal process) provides persons charged with minor offences under Part I (or Part II) of the POA with an option to meet with the prosecutor to resolve matters without the necessity of a trial proceeding. The informal early resolution regime has largely been successful in Northumberland County; providing timely access to justice and being the first POA proceedings to resume during the COVID -19 emergency. The number of Part I matters processed through the early resolution option is approximately 25% of all new charges filed annually and the resolution rate (pre-Trial) is approximately 90%. Approximately 20% of charges Fail to Respond and are convicted in absentia, while 55% of charge fines are paid without a Resolution Meeting or Trial.

The level of public participation in exercising an Early Resolution option in Northumberland County is a clear indication that whether opted into the formal Early Resolution process, or not, the rules under the existing Early Resolution section of the POA are easy for the public to understand and provides access to the justice system for minor offences.

Consultations

The Municipal Court Managers Association (MCMA) has conducted a detailed review of the impact the proposed changes will have on administrative processes and resources. The Bill

177 changes to the formal Early Resolution section of the POA will increase processing steps from the existing 15 administrative processes to over 70 processes. This represents an increase in processes of over 400%. Although Northumberland County has digitized and modernized administrative processes to permit the defendant to file their request digitally, the POA court remains dependent upon the Province's antiquated adjudicative case management system (ICON). Given the lack of a modern adjudicative case management system, the impact of the additional and complex legislative processes under the proposed changes to the Early Resolution section of the POA would likely require additional full time Court Clerks to administer the proposed lengthy and complex early resolution process, should Northumberland County choose to opt into the formal Early Resolution process to take advantage of proposed efficiencies in the legislation.

Simplifying the POA to provide for a more efficient, effective justice system with more convenience and proportionate options to the public for minor offences under Part I of the POA, should not require an increase in processes. Permitting any (formal or informal) early resolution meeting to be held in writing and permitting the filing of written agreements between the prosecutor and defendant to be registered administratively as a court outcome by the Court Clerk immediately provides an accessible streamlined efficient and modern court system to the public.

Legislative Authority/Risk Considerations

The current legislative framework for formal (opted-in) Early Resolution consists of one (1) section with 27 subsections or paragraphs supported by approximately 15 administrative processes. This legislative framework permits a defendant to request a meeting with the prosecutor, request a change to the appointment date once, attend a meeting with the prosecutor and have the outcome of the early resolution meeting recorded by the court on the same day as the meeting.

The proposed changes to the Early Resolution section of the POA under Bill 177 creates a more complex legislative framework for formal Early Resolution process, with five (5) sections and 43 subsections, paragraphs or subparagraphs. This represents an approximate 60% increase to the number of rules.

Discussion/Options

Operational pressures that existed prior to the pandemic have become more pronounced and need to be met with legislative reforms to enable timely recovery of Provincial Offences Courts

POA Courts has long advocated for legislative reforms streamlining and modernizing Provincial Offences Courts in support of equitable and timely access to justice. Immediate regulatory and legislative changes are critical to delivering services to the public by putting in place the most modern, efficient, and effective justice system attainable. The attached MCMA request seeks to align and validate the POA courts position on the following legislative barriers:

1. Halting the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177 and requesting to take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the

legislation. Under the proposed amendment, complex time periods and rules will be introduced including a redundant abandonment period, and delay in recoding of court outcomes which will result in multiple defendant appearances.

2. Enact changes to the *Provincial Offences Act* and any related regulations to permit the prosecutor and defendant or legal representative to agree, at any stage of a proceeding, to a resolution in writing. By so conserving court time and judicial resources.
3. Ministry of Transportation in consultation with municipalities consider suspending (temporarily) the imposition of demerit points for persons who pay their ticket in cases where they have no previous relevant convictions.

Throughout 2020, three separate orders were issued by the Ontario Court of Justice and the Province adjourning all court matters, suspending all *Provincial Offences Act* timelines and later extending these timelines into 2021.

The Chief Justice of Ontario and the Province of Ontario issued separate emergency orders in response to the pandemic throughout 2020 directly impacting Court Services operations.

A set of orders issued by the Chief Justice of Ontario and the Province built on each other and affected the legislative timelines under the *Provincial Offences Act*, meaning that the typical timeframe to respond to a ticket or other court matters governed by the *Provincial Offences Act* no longer applied. The orders extended timelines from March 16, 2020 through to and including February 26, 2021.

Simultaneously, the Chief Justice of Ontario also issued a set of orders that adjourned all court matters from March 16, 2020 until January 25, 2021. This resulted in postponing of over 2,000 trial matters until 2021, at the earliest. As part of court recovery, the Chief Justice advised Provincial Offence Courts that non-trial matters could go ahead by audio hearings by September 28, 2020 and that the resumption of remote trials could go forward as early as January 25, 2021, dependent on local judicial approval and court readiness. In-person trials would continue to be adjourned until the court schedule is approved by the Regional Senior Justice of the Peace, and all health and safety measures have been implemented.

The recovery of Provincial Offence courts was impeded by lack of timely direction from the Province concerning the resumption of services. While the provincial objective was to provide a consistent approach to the resumption of Provincial Offences Courts, priority was given to resuming Criminal Court operations. This often resulted in changing timelines and direction. Coupled with the existing issue of limited judicial resources which was intensified throughout the pandemic, Court Services could not effectively respond to the growing volume of pending cases which directly impacted the public's access to justice.

Bill 177 aims to modernize and streamline the Provincial Offences Courts

Legislative amendments to the *Provincial Offences Act* were passed by the Ontario Legislature in December 2017 under Schedule 35 of Bill 177 *Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act*. These amendments include reforming of the Early Resolution process, improving the collection of default fines, and expanding the powers of the clerk of the court. However, the proposed Early

Resolution reforms came short as they do not fully support the objectives of the Ministry of the Attorney General pertaining to creating a modernized and efficient justice system.

In December 2019, the Ministry of the Attorney General advised that it intends to implement Bill 177 amendments through a phased approach. To date the Attorney General has only proclaimed and implemented section 48.1 allowing for use of certified evidence for all Part I proceedings. The rest of Bill 177 amendments are scheduled to be proclaimed later in 2021.

Bill 177 reforms to the legislated Early Resolution process will prevent reasonable and effective access to court procedures by creating a complex and lengthy process

Early Resolution is an optional program Provincial Offences Courts can offer allowing defendants who opt to dispute their charges to request a meeting with a prosecutor to resolve the charges prior to a trial.

Under the proposed amendment, when a defendant attends a meeting with the prosecutor, the outcome is not recorded by the court immediately and there is a myriad of rules to navigate that result in a court outcome. For example, depending on the agreement, a defendant may have to appear before a Justice of the Peace to register the agreement and there are potential additional appearances required by the defendant and the prosecutor before an outcome is registered by the court. In addition, there are multiple complex time periods and myriad of rules including a redundant abandonment period before an outcome is registered. The inclusion of a proposed abandonment period is redundant as fairness and administrative of justice principles already exist in other sections of the *Provincial Offences Act* including the right to appeal a conviction or a sentence. The complexity of the numerous additional rules will not be easily understood by the public and will hinder access to justice.

Early Resolution process could aid in municipal Provincial Offences Court recovery if the section amendments were edited to make it easy and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions. Northumberland County Court Services would reconsider offering a formal Early Resolution option if the Ministry of the Attorney General were to make it more effective and efficient to administer Early Resolution proceedings.

Closure of courts due to the pandemic resulted in a decrease in fine payments and increased pending caseload

The extension of *Provincial Offences Act* timelines, along with the continued closure of court hearings impacted many of Court Services operational drivers. While court front counters were reopened in 2020 to provide essential administrative services, the ability to process charges and to address pending caseload was greatly impeded.

In turn, court revenue was impacted by operational instabilities such as, extension of the requirement to pay and defaulting of a fine. It is important to note that this is considered a deferred revenue as all outstanding fines are debt to the Crown owed in perpetuity and never forgiven. The ability to collect on debt diminishes the older a fine becomes.

There is an understanding that defendants request trials to seek resolutions that reduce demerit points. If demerit points were suspended for a period for those acknowledging their guilt and

paying the ticket, it may encourage defendants to pay their traffic ticket, thus reducing trial requests and pressures faced by trial courts. Details such as the time period for offences to which this would apply, what to do if a person receives multiple tickets, as well as determining whether a person without any convictions within 3 or 5 years of payment is to be treated as a first offender could be determined by the ministry.

Financial Impact

The recommendations contained in this report have no financial impact.

Member Municipality Impacts

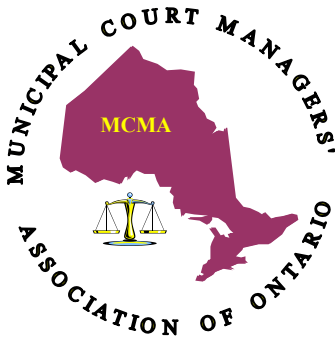
Legislative change allowing any (formal or informal) early Resolution Meeting to be held in writing and permitting the filing of written agreements between the prosecutor and defendant to be registered administratively as a court outcome by the Court Clerk would benefit Member Municipalities in their Part II/Bi-Law proceedings in alignment with County Part I and II Early Resolution Proceedings.

Conclusion/Outcomes

In response to a the MCMA request for Joint Advocacy on behalf of all Ontario Municipal POA Courts, staff request that the Committee recommends that County Council pass a resolution in support for the listed MCMA recommendations.

Attachments

1. Letter: MCMA Request for Joint Advocacy



Municipal Court Managers' Association of Ontario

c/o Seat of the President
Regional Municipality of York
17150 Yonge St
Newmarket ON L3Y 8V3

May 6, 2021

Dear Members,

Re: POA Streamlining and Modernization

In response to the increased pressures resulting from COVID 19, MCMA is seeking the support of POA Courts to actively lobby the Province for immediate regulatory and legislative changes. As you know, our ability to respond to Increasing caseload and declining fine revenue is limited. These proposed changes will enable flexibility for municipalities to respond to local pressures.

It is important that we leverage this opportunity to create a modern, efficient, and sustainable justice system that meets the needs of court users. The proposed changes include:

1. Halting the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation.
2. Enacting changes to the Provincial Offences Act and any related regulations to permit the prosecutor and defendant or legal representative to agree, at any stage of a proceeding, to a resolution in writing for proceedings.
3. Requesting the Ministry of Transportation in consultation with Municipalities, consider suspending the imposition of demerit points for persons who pay their ticket in cases where they have no previous relevant convictions.
4. Make regulatory changes to allow for camera-based offences to be administered through the administrative monetary penalties.

The MCMA board has prepared some templated documents to assist in your efforts. Attached you will find: Draft Council Resolution, draft council report for ER Courts and some key messages to support discussion. We understand that support for one or all may vary depending on individual priorities and appreciate your consideration.

Should you have any questions or would like to discuss further please feel free to reach out to any member of the MCMA board.

Lisa Brooks
MCMA President

"Excellence in Court Administration"

From:**Sent:** Saturday, July 31, 2021 1:15:56 PM**To:** Ralph Walton <Ralph.Walton@durham.ca>; chair <chair@durham.ca>; Shaun Collier <shaun.collier@ajax.ca>; Marilyn Crawford <marilyn.crawford@ajax.ca>; Joanne Dies <joanne.dies@ajax.ca>; Sterling Lee <sterling.lee@ajax.ca>; John.grant@brock.ca <John.grant@brock.ca>; Ted Smith <tsmith@townshipofbrock.ca>; Mayor Shared Mailbox <mayor@clarington.net>; Granville Anderson <ganderson@clarington.net>; jneal@clarington.net <jneal@clarington.net>; Dan Carter <dcarter@oshawa.ca>; Bob Chapman <bchapman@oshawa.ca>; Rick Kerr <rkerr@oshawa.ca>; tdmarimpietri@oshawa.ca <tdmarimpietri@oshawa.ca>; John Neal <jneal@oshawa.ca>; Brian Nicholson <bnicholson@oshawa.ca>; mayor@pickerington.ca <mayor@pickerington.ca>; Kevin Ashe <kashe@pickering.ca>; Bill McLean <bmclean@pickering.ca>; David Pickles <dpickles@pickering.ca>; Bobbie Drew <bdrew@scugog.ca>; Wilma Wotten <wwotten@scugog.ca>; Dave Barton <dbarton@uxbridge.ca>; Gord Highet <ghighet@uxbridge.ca>; Don Mitchell <mayor@whitby.ca>; Chris Leahy <leahyc@whitby.ca>; Rhonda Mulcahy <mulcahyr@whitby.ca>; Elizabeth Roy <roye@whitby.ca>; Steve Yamada <yamadas@whitby.ca>; rob.tylermorin@ajax.ca <rob.tylermorin@ajax.ca>; Brenner, Maurice, Councillor <mbrenner@pickering.ca>; bgarrod@uxbridge.ca <bgarrod@uxbridge.ca>; newmand@whitby.ca <newmand@whitby.ca>**Subject:** City of Barrie resolution sent to your council re potential impact of Bradford Bypass on Lake Simcoe

I have been advised that your council has received a letter from Barrie council containing a resolution concerning the harmful impacts the proposed Bradford Bypass may have on Lake Simcoe. The resolution, in accordance with the Lake Simcoe Protection Act, requests that the Government of Ontario conduct a comprehensive Impact Assessment on the potential harm the proposed Bradford Bypass may have on Lake Simcoe and identify and consider alternative routes.

The resolution was copied to all Lake Simcoe Watershed Municipalities with the request that they support Barrie's resolution.

I represent Forbid Roads Over Green Spaces, (FROGS) an association of East Gwillimbury residents who have serious concerns about the need and justification for this proposed four lane freeway (or possibly tollway).

Given the number of municipalities involved, in lieu of preparing individual deputations, I have prepared a narrated PowerPoint presentation which I am sending to all municipal councillors. This is in the form of an mp4 video. I have also prepared the attached PowerPoint "slides handout" for your assistance.

The PowerPoint video can be viewed from the following URL:

<https://frogs.ca/wp-content/uploads/shared-files/Deputation-July-2021-Support-Barrie-motion-Lake-Simcoe-and-alternatives-V4.mp4>

My presentation also references a very significant article by the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers concerning the Bradford Bypass environmental assessment. I strongly encourage you to

read this. This report can be viewed at the following URL:

<https://ospe.on.ca/advocacy/bradford-bypass-and-evidence-based-decision-making/>

To the best of my knowledge, to date, this matter has only been considered by Brock and East Gwillimbury

- the Township of Brock supported Barrie's resolution at their July 19th meeting
- At its July 27th meeting, the Town of East Gwillimbury determined it would be best to hold a special meeting in the Fall to give staff an opportunity to report on the various inputs the Town has received from MTO, local residents, Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, and FROGS concerning both this proposed highway and protection of the historic Lower Landing.

Thank you for considering our submission.


I will be pleased to answer any questions you may have by email. If deemed appropriate, I am also happy to make myself available to a short deputation at one of your council meetings if requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Foster

On behalf of Forbid Roads Over Green Spaces

BRADFORD BYPASS
BARRIE'S MAY 31, 2021
RESOLUTION 21-G-137



Bill Foster
 Forbid Roads Over Green Spaces

ROADMAP

- Barrie's Resolution.
- Fundamental issues.
- Deficiencies in current study.
- Today's transportation problems.
- Alternative solutions.
- Your Stewardship Obligations.

BARRIE'S RESOLUTION

Proposed Bradford Bypass:

- In Accordance with the Lake Simcoe Protection Act the City of Barrie requests that the Government of Ontario conduct a comprehensive impact assessment on Lake Simcoe and those vulnerable watersheds and inflows into Lake Simcoe and identify considerations for alternate routes.
- Copy of resolution to ... and municipalities along the Lake Simcoe Watershed along with a request for support.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Lake Simcoe Protection Plan – Mandatory policies

6.23-DP Infrastructure but only if the need for the project has been demonstrated through an Environmental Assessment or other similar environmental approval and there is no reasonable alternative.



Seven horizontal lines for notes.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY – CONTINUED
LAKE SIMCOE PROTECTION PLAN – MANDATORY POLICIES

6.40-DP: Outside of the Oak Ridges Moraine area an application for major development within a significant groundwater recharge area shall be accompanied by an environmental impact study that demonstrates that the quality and quantity of groundwater in these areas and the function of the recharge areas will be protected improved or restored.



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ENVIRONMENTAL VS. IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- While an EAS reports all types of potentially harmful outputs an impact assessment will only look at the impact of the mitigated outputs (on the lake).
- The outputs are measured adjacent to the highway route.
- The inputs are the cumulative effects on the Lake of the mitigated outputs. These inputs are measured at the lake. [Essentially a funnel effect].



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FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES

- ▶ LAKE SIMCOE IS:
 - ▶ A living reality.
 - ▶ A benefit to a significant number of Ontarians.
 - ▶ Under very significant environmental stress.

- ▶ THE BRADFORD BYPASS IS:
 - ▶ A 28 year old political desire.
 - ▶ A proposal for which neither need or justification has been properly demonstrated.



FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES CONTINUED

PARAMOUNTCY

- ▶ The Lake Simcoe Protection Act places the health of the lake paramount to practically every other human activity that may effect the lake.

- ▶ MTO operates on the basis that its EA approved project is paramount.



FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES CONTINUED

MTO's Bradford Bypass Website states:

- ▶ Protection and mitigation measures will be implemented *where practical in consideration of the evaluation criteria.*

- ▶ Once it is determined that the project is to proceed MTO will only employ mitigation measures they consider reasonable (i.e. cost effective).



FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES CONTINUED

MTO's NEED and JUSTIFICATION for this 4 lane, highway is based on 24 year old forecasted growth much of which is now serviced by the Barrie GO Train



DEFICIENCIES WITH CURRENT EAS

ONTARIO SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS REPORT SERIOUS BRADFORD BYPASS EAS DEFICIENCIES

- Studies out of date. EA process and requirements have changed drastically - so has the environment.
- Construction should not start without a proper EA in place.
- Have not considered increasing public transit or improving existing roads.
- Engineers believe the government must study other options so as to ensure Ontarian's tax dollars are used wisely.



ONTARIO SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS CONTINUED

- Previous assessment predicted severe pollution issues which could impact fish habitat Lake Simcoe and private wells in the area.
- Levels of benzene a carcinogen could be higher than what is currently allowed no health impacts assessment.
- Did not account for the climate crisis or research showing that building new roads does not reduce congestion arguably it increases the amount of cars on the road a concept called induced demand.
- The government has also failed to release any studies or evidence showing that the bypass would save driver time.



TODAY'S TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS

PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED IN BRADFORD BYPASS EAS THAT REMAIN UNRESOLVED:

1. Resolve the problem of "out-of-the-way" travel for both local and long distance traffic.
2. Improve the existing problems associated with the congestion of the intersection of Highway 88 and Highway 11 in the centre of Bradford [substantially unchanged since 1983].



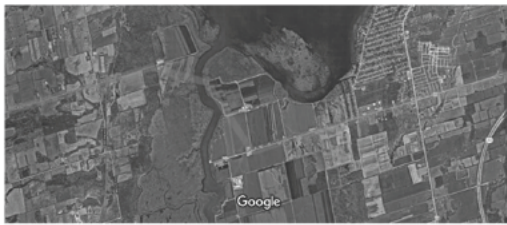
SOLVE LOCAL BRADFORD CONGESTION (DUPLICATE EAST-WEST CAPACITY)



Connect Queensville Sideroad to Bradford's 8th Line via Bathurst and Hochreiter Rd.



NORTHERN OUT-OF-THE-WAY-TRAVEL ROUTE



Suggested connection of Ravenshoe Rd to Line 13
(previously described as Line 12 in error)



OTHER SHORT 400 SERIES HIGHWAYS

There are only 5, 400 series highways as short or shorter than the Bradford Bypass:

- 412 and 418 linking nearby communities to Hwy 407
- 2 to the US Border
- 1 to Pearson Airport

The Bradford Bypass is clearly not in the same class as these controlled access highways.



REQUESTS / RECOMMENDATIONS

- You are now on notice of MTO's Bradford Bypass EAS failings and the potentially serious impact this highway may cause on Lake Simcoe.
- Your stewardship responsibilities cannot be delegated to MTO. Protecting Lake Simcoe is your responsibility. Please stand up and be counted.
- We have already waited 19 years since EA approval another 2 years is insignificant to properly ensure this is the right course of action.
- Please support Barrie's resolution or pass your own similar resolution
- Please advise neighbouring watershed municipalities of your action and encourage them to do the same.



THANK YOU



The Regional Municipality of Durham
Durham Advisory Committee on Homelessness (DACH)

COVID-19 Homelessness Response Network

July 27, 2021

In Attendance:

Councillor Bob Chapman	Chair
Regional Chair John Henry	Region of Durham
Stella Danos-Papaconstantinou	Region of Durham
Alan Robins	Region of Durham
Alyxandra Riddell	Region of Durham
Celine Nelson	Region of Durham
Cindy McCreight	Region of Durham
Erin Valant	Region of Durham
Jocelyn Siciliano	Region of Durham
Kelly O'Brien	Region of Durham
Leigh McEachran	Region of Durham
Meaghan Middleton	Region of Durham
Megan Hueser-Shields	Region of Durham
Michelle Garraway	Region of Durham
Mtanness Shaloufe	Region of Durham
Stephanie Ross	Region of Durham
Tracey Tyner-Cavanagh	Region of Durham
Alyssa Skan	Cornerstone
Derek Giberson	Back Door Mission
Doreen Hume-McKenna	Regional Housing Coordinator
Glenn Koeper	Canadian Mental Health Association
Heather Hofmann	Brain Injury Association Durham
Hermia Corbette	Community Development Council Durham
Jessica Hanson	United Way Durham Region
Jessica Robinson	Community Living Durham North
Lucie Hager	VHA Home HealthCare
Marla Walters	Christian Faith Outreach Centre
Maureen Bandola	John Howard Society
Mona Emond	North House
Rob Brglez	Cornerstone Community Association
Roy Graves	First Light Foundation of Hope
Sharri-Ann Edmunds	Participation House
Sheila Gallagher	Lakeridge Health
Theresa Treadwell	Salvation Army
Tracy McGarry	Participation House

Guests:

Rudi Genovese	A Blue Door's Construct Program
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Regrets:

Councillor Bob Chapman
Nathan Gardner
Shari Steffler
Clarence Keesman

Chair
Community Development Council Durham
Region of Durham
The Refuge

Update on Homelessness Initiatives

- A By-Name List update for June was provided.
- The Built for Zero data dashboards will continue to be sent out with the DACH agenda package each month.
- At the end of June, there were 149 people in Durham who are homelessness. Of those, 95 people have been homeless for 6 months or longer (chronically homeless).
- There were 26 move-ins (17 chronic move-ins). Our highest number since achieving "A Quality By-Name List".
- Total year-to-date move-ins 112 (65 of those were chronic move-ins).
- Durham saw an increase of 2 people from May to June.

A Blue Door's Construct Program – Rudi Genovese & Alex Chung

- Blue Door currently operates shelters in York Region (men's/women's/youth) along with their "Construct Program". They are hoping to launch this program in Durham Region as early as next week.
- Construct is an employment social enterprise. The program consists of two weeks of in-class training followed by six weeks of hands-on training. Individuals receive \$14.25 per hour living allowance during the eight-week training along with all personal protective equipment required. Also included is First Aid Certification and Soft Skills Certification.
- To ensure success in the program transportation (PRESTO cards) and food allowances, psychotherapy and emergency assistance are also offered while people are going through the program.
- The program has achieved an 85% employment rate (2020-2021).
- Entry requirements:
 - Canadian citizen
 - Permanent resident
 - 18-30 years of age for Durham residents, (those over 30 can link to the program in York Region)
 - Grade 10 Education – will work with those that don't have this
 - Interviews are based on motivation and desire to secure employment
- The next cohort starts on Thursday July 29th and there are still a couple vacancies.
- Questions can be emailed to Rudi Genovese at rudi.g@bluedoor.ca or alex.c@blouedoor.ca
- Further information can be found on their website www.Constructgta.ca.

Community Support Pilot

- The Community Support Pilot through Social Services is a new way of providing support to chronically homeless clients on the By-Name List with a goal of securing permanent housing.
- The pilot started in the spring of 2021 and is a collaboration between Durham Housing Services and Income and Employment Supports.
- The target clients are on the By-Name List experiencing high acuity, tri-morbidity, and chronic homelessness.
- The goal of the intense case management is to build resources to set people up for long term success.
- The team has already achieved housing outcomes for some clients and is working on housing plans for every client.
- Feedback was requested on the “Theory of Change”.

Landlord Engagement Pilot Follow Up

- The Landlord Engagement Pilot is a partnership with Community Development Council Durham (CDCD) and North House and was designed to engage with, onboard, and support landlords throughout Durham Region.
- The goal is to increase the number of units available to be filled by clients on our By-Name List to test whether we can move more clients from the BNL and house clients faster.

Safe Sleep Temporary Program/Warming Center

- DACH previously voted to allocate funding for a winter warming center model.
- It has now been identified that the proposed funding could support the program for the full year.
- Since the middle of May there has been more than 180 individuals attending the program. There is an upward trend with more females attending the safe sleep program. The current model has 20 spaces available each night.
- There was a discussion on these models in general and the importance of maintaining a housing-focus. All sheltering programs should be part of the process to helping people become housed and not just a destination.
- A working group will be struck to develop a safe sleep model that is in alignment with the DACH’s vision that homelessness in Durham is brief and non-recurring.

DACH Terms of Reference

- The vote to adopt the new Terms of Reference was held with no objections.

Homelessness Stereotypes Working Group

- Moved to next meeting.

Bright Spots

- Dawn DeSouza and Chantal Branchaud from Community Living Durham North received the Tammy Rankin Legacy Award on June 24th for their community collaboration for serving vulnerable seniors with health and housing needs. Big shoutout to Dawn and Chantal for an amazing achievement!

Next Meeting:

- Tuesday August 31st, 2021.
- Meetings will be scheduled monthly on Tuesday from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.
- Send any agenda items and/ or Good News Stories to Alyxandra.Riddell@durham.ca by end of day Thursday to be added to the following Tuesday's agenda.