

WATER AND WASTEWATER MASTER PLAN UPDATE

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This notice of commencement is being issued to ensure administrative compliance and also to provide all stakeholders with a status of the work that is being undertaken. The Town of East Gwillimbury previously initiated a Water and Wastewater Master Plan (W/WWMP) Study in 2017 to provide a sustainable blueprint for the planned growth and servicing needs to the 2041 year and serve as an update to the 2010 W/WWMP by identifying long-term strategies for servicing current and future populations.

In 2019, the Town initiated an Official Plan Review, which included a land needs assessment to accommodate land use growth projections to the year 2051. The W/WWMP is being further updated to address the water and wastewater servicing needs to 2051 while accounting for a new study context including updated servicing policies and plans by York Region and the Province of Ontario.

The Study will meet the Town's Water and Wastewater Services mission:

The Town of East Gwillimbury is projected to experience significant population and employment growth over the next 30 years. As a result of this growth, a safe, efficient, and reliable supply of water and wastewater services to the Town will become increasingly important and challenging and the Town's water and wastewater systems will need to be expanded as necessary to accommodate this growth.

The W/WWMP will be prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) process (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011, and 2015). The Town of East Gwillimbury is completing this Master Plan addressing Phase 1 – Problem or Opportunity, and Phase 2 – Alternative Solutions of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Class EA process. The Study is conducted at a broad level of assessment in which site-specific Class EA's for all recommended Schedule 'B' projects are to be completed in the future, closer to the time of the projects' implementation.

CONSULTATION

Public consultation is vital to the success of this Master Plan. We encourage all residents to provide input throughout the Study. Various opportunities for

public consultation are planned throughout the Master Plan Process. Public Information Centres (PICs) will take place to present the Study, proposed alternatives, and recommended solutions. The members of the public will also be able to interact directly with the project team. Advertisement of the PICs will be made in advance through newspaper ads, the Town website, social media and hardcopy or electronic mailings. Once the Study is complete, the Master Plan will be filed for public review.

Project updates and notices will be posted on the Town's website at www.eastgwillimbury.ca/WWWMP to inform the public of the progress of the W/WWMP. Residents and interested parties are encouraged to regularly visit the website to learn more about the Study. In addition to project updates and notices posted on the Town's website, residents and interested parties can contact a member of the project team to receive email updates/notices about the project.

QUESTIONS/MAILING LIST

If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to be added to the Study mailing list to receive updates and notices via email, please contact a member of the project team:

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Comments and information regarding this Municipal Class Environmental Assessment are being collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments received will become a part of the public record. For further information please contact a member of the project team. Notice re-issued on February 9, 2023.