



Municipality of Meaford
Notice of Study Completion
Class Environmental Assessment
Meaford Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion
July 11, 2024

Background

The Municipality of Meaford is completing a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) to determine the preferred design alternative for expansion of the Meaford Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). This study builds upon the Water and Wastewater Servicing Master Plan (2015) to provide wastewater servicing to the existing residents and businesses in the urban area, and to accommodate future growth.

The Process

This Class EA process is following the planning and design process for Schedule 'C' projects as described in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Document (October 2000 as amended in 2007, 2011 & 2015), published by the Municipal Engineers Association (MCEA). An MCEA document update was issued in 2023, however the planning process was initiated before the issuance of the update and is following the previous guideline.

Recommendation

The recommendation from this Class EA is to construct a new wastewater treatment plant on the land adjacent to the existing wastewater treatment plant under a phased approach. The new works will consist of a headworks building, extended aeration secondary treatment, cloth disc filtration tertiary treatment, UV disinfection, aerobic biosolids treatment and additional biosolids storage.

The study process and recommendations are documented within the Environmental Study Report. A copy of this report is available for your review on the Municipality's website: <https://www.meaford.ca/en/wastewater-treatment-plant-expansion.aspx> from July 11 to August 15, 2024.

Feedback

Consultation is vital to the success of a Class EA Study and the Municipality wants to ensure that anyone interested has the opportunity to be involved and provide input. Interested persons may provide written comments to our project team by August 15, 2024. All comments and concerns should be sent directly to either one of the following contacts:

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In addition, a request may be made to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order requiring a higher level of study (that is, requiring an individual/comprehensive EA approval before being able to proceed), or that conditions be imposed (that is, requires further studies), only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate, or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected inherent and treaty rights of a First Nation or Indigenous community.

Requests on other grounds will not be considered. Requests should include the requester's contact information and full name.

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (request for additional conditions or a request for an additional/comprehensive E.A.) on the grounds specified previously, and any information in support of the statements in the request. The request should be sent in writing or by email to both of the following contacts:

Minister of the Environment Conservation and Parks
77 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto ON, M7A 2J3
minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Director, Environmental Assessment Branch
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor
Toronto ON, M4V 1P5 EAB
Director@ontario.ca

Requests should be also sent to the Municipality of Meaford by mail or by email.

All personal information included in your request, such as name, address, telephone number, and property location, is collected under the authority of section 30 of the Environmental Assessment Act and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. As this information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act does not apply (s.37/s.14). Personal information you submit may become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.