

Public Works MEMORANDUM

TO: Oxford County Council

FROM: David Simpson, Director of Public Works

DATE: June 14, 2023

RE: **Oxford County 2024 Water and Wastewater Master Plan
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study – Phase 1 & 2
Notice of Public Consultation Centre #2 (Virtual), Oxford County**

Oxford County is continuing with the 2024 *Water and Wastewater Master Plan (W/WWMP)* Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study to provide the County with strategic long-term water and wastewater servicing strategies that will support existing servicing needs and accommodate further projected population and employment growth to the year 2046. Public and review agency consultation is a key element of the Master Plan process.

Public Consultation Centre (PCC) #2 will be in virtual meeting format, and will include a presentation by the County's project Consultant (R.V. Anderson Associates Ltd.) followed by a Q/A period. The presentation agenda will include a brief overview of the Class EA Master Plan process, what we heard from residents at PCC #1, and provide an overview of the draft recommendations of the Master Plan. As detailed in the attached Notice, the PCC #2 date and registration information are as follows:

Date: Thursday, June 27, 2023

Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Register: www.oxfordcounty.ca/wwwmp

Notice of the Virtual PCC #2 will be advertised on the project landing page and on social media and will be sent to registered project followers from the initial PCC #1.



David Simpson, P.Eng., PMP
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Encl. *Notice of Public Consultation Centre #2*

Notice of Public Consultation Centre #2

Oxford County Water and Wastewater Master Plan

Oxford County has initiated the development of a Water and Wastewater Master Plan (W/WW MP) to provide the County with strategic long-term water and wastewater servicing strategies that will support existing servicing needs and accommodate further projected population and employment growth to the year 2046.

About the Water and Wastewater Master Plan

The 2024 Water and Wastewater Master Plan (W/WW MP) is a long-term planning document that identifies municipal water treatment, water supply, wastewater collection and wastewater treatment strategies to meet Oxford County's growth needs and service goals in existing serviced areas. The plan will:

- Consider population trends and servicing needs across the County;
- Provide sustainable infrastructure solutions that are consistent with and conform to Provincial policies, legislation and support the County's Official Plan and strategic initiatives;
- Identify options for optimizing the effectiveness of the existing water and wastewater infrastructure.

R.V. Anderson Associates Limited has been retained by Oxford County to complete the W/WW MP. Key objectives of the master plan include:

- Assess the current water and wastewater systems performance and deficiencies;
- Offer solutions that evaluate full lifecycle costs to understand overall financial implications and sustainability; and,
- Develop a system plan, which will ensure reliability, redundancy, and security of water resources for existing and future consumers through to the year 2046.

The W/WW MP is being conducted in accordance with the Master Plan requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 & 2015), approved under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*.

Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

We want to hear from you

Public and technical agency consultation will be fundamental in developing the Master Plan, and members of the public are invited and encouraged to comment on the project at any time during the Study.

The Project Team is hosting the study's second Public Consultation Centre (PCC) to review the draft recommendations of 2024 Water and Wastewater Master Plan. This will be a virtual (online) event held:

Thursday, June 27, 2023

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Log-in details at www.oxfordcounty.ca/wwwmp

Representatives from the County and its consultants will be available at the PCC to answer questions and discuss the next steps in the study.

The final Master Plan document will also be posted for public review following endorsement by Council.

The PCC will be advertised via social media, published on the project page *Speak Up Oxford!*. Area Municipalities and registered project followers will receive an email regarding the PCC.

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