

## **Peel 2051**Regional Official Plan Review

### **Aggregate Resources**



#### What are aggregate resources?

Aggregate resources include gravel, sand, clay, earth, shale, stone, limestone, dolostone, sandstone, marble, granite, rock or other materials prescribed under the *Aggregate Resources Act*.

#### What is the Region doing?

- Ensuring that Regional Official Plan policies are consistent with provincial plans and policies
- Ensuring that Regional Official Plan Schedule C reflects the updated Provincial bedrock mapping produced by the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
- Considering further policy direction related to aggregate conservation, aggregate recycling and aggregate rehabilitation best practices research and guidance from agencies such as the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, non-governmental organizations and aggregate associations

## Why are aggregate resource policies important?

- Mineral aggregate resources form an important component of Peel's economy
- Identify and protect high potential mineral aggregate resource areas
- Protect Peel's communities and environmental and cultural features from potential adverse impacts associated with mineral aggregate resources extraction
- Support rehabilitation of resource extraction sites

## Regional Official Plan policies will...

- Conform with and implement Provincial policy direction
- Reflect updated Provincial bedrock mapping
- Incorporate modern approaches to aggregates planning

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The aggregate resources in Peel consist of sand and gravel, shale and bedrock, including dolostone and limestone, that are used in road construction and as a construction material.

### Proposed policies and mapping review

Peel's mineral aggregate resources policies and mapping will be reviewed and updated as a component of the Peel 2051 Official Plan Review however, this work will be completed as a separate phase on an independent timeline.

The mineral aggregate resources policy review will:

- Ensure conformity and consistency with updates to the Provincial plans and policies.
- Examine emerging trends and best practices including comprehensive rehabilitation planning, cumulative impacts and the siting of aggregate recycling facilities.
- Update mapping of High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas.

