West Caledon Storage Facility and Transmission Main Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment

Public Information Centre No. 1

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Public Information Centre No. 1 Objectives



Welcome!

Here are the objectives for today's Public Information Centre:



Present the study area and objectives.



Present the environmental assessment process.



Provide a clear and transparent process for the evaluation of storage concepts.



Receive feedback on the evaluation process and preliminary results.

Be on the lookout for this prompt. This indicates content we are looking for your feedback on!





- ✓ Please sign in and take a comment sheet.
- ✓ Have a look at the project information on display and chat with the Project Team.
- ✓ Provide your feedback regarding the information presented.

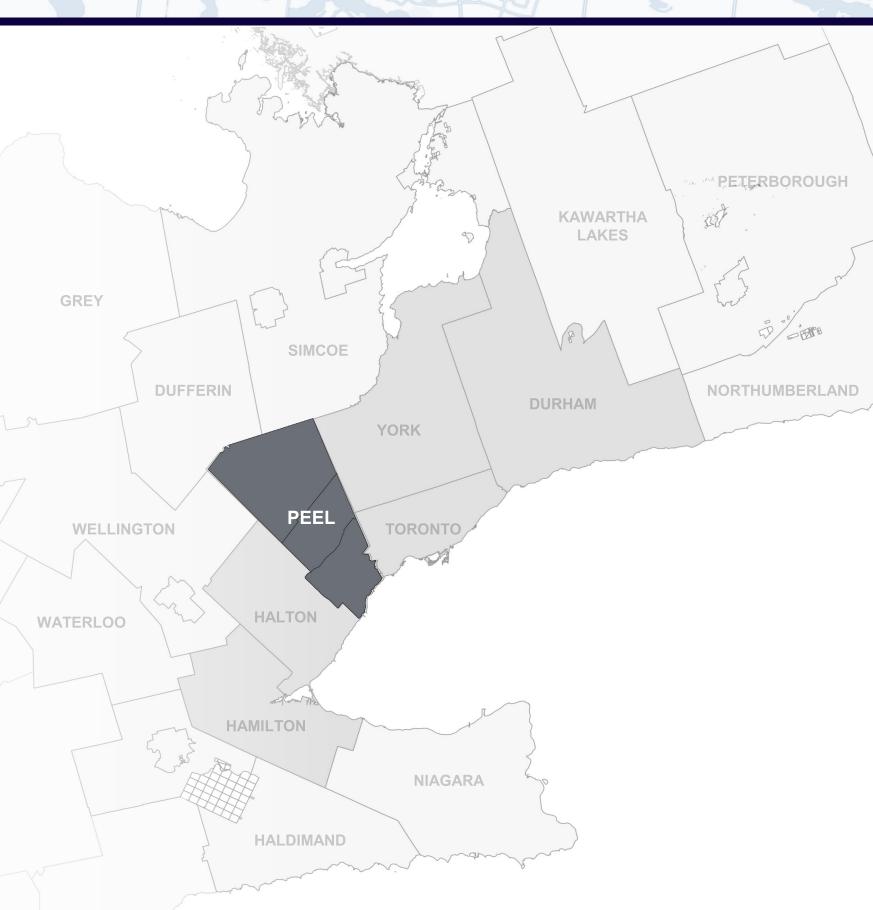
Land Acknowledgement



We would like to begin by acknowledging the land on which we gather, and which the Region of Peel operates, is part of the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit. For thousands of years, Indigenous peoples inhabited and cared for this land, and continue to do so today.

In particular we acknowledge the territory of the Anishinabek, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Ojibway/Chippewa peoples; the land that is home to the Metis; and most recently, the territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation who are direct descendants of the Mississaugas of the Credit.

We are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land, and by doing so, give our respect to its first inhabitants.



Background and Study Purpose

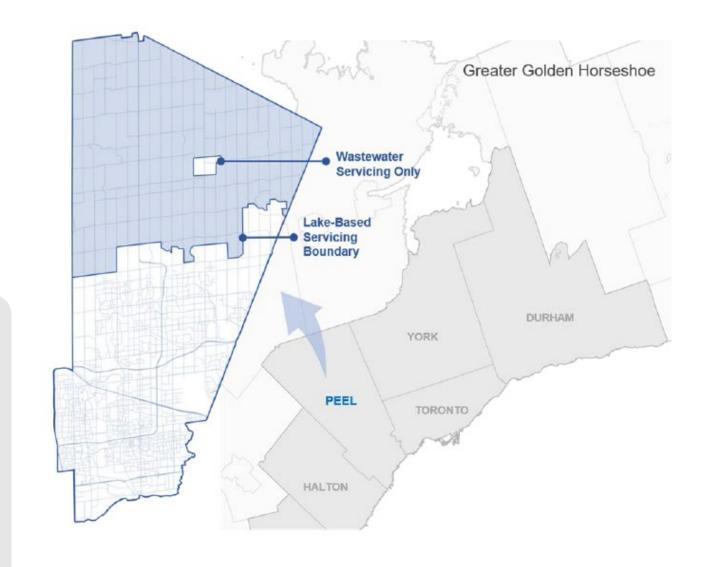


The Region of Peel completed a Water and Wastewater Master Servicing Plan Update (2020) which identified the need to construct new water storage infrastructure to service future planned population growth in the southwestern boundary of the Town of Caledon.

The goal of the West Caledon Storage Facility and Transmission Main Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment is to develop, evaluate, and select a preferred water storage facility and water transmission main alignment(s) to service the projected growth.

Key Strategic Goals:

- 1. Increase system capacity to service future growth.
- 2. Ensure the best use and enhancement of the existing water infrastructure.
- 3. Investigate all potentially feasible water storage concepts in a stepped approach.



Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Process



Opportunity to Request

Minister Within 30 Days of

Notification to Request and

Order

The West Caledon Storage Facility and Transmission Main project is being undertaken as a Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment, satisfying Phases 1 to 4 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process.

This study will hold three Public Information Centres (PICs) which are consultation and engagement milestones highlighted in yellow and blue.

PHASE 2 PHASE 1 PHASE 3 PHASE 4 Alternative Design **Environmental Study Problem or Opportunity Alternative Solutions** Concepts for Preferred Report (ESR) Solution Identify Problem or **Identify Alternative Solutions Identify Alternative Solutions** Complete Environmental Opportunity to Problem or Opportunity to Problem or Opportunity Study Report (ESR) Discretionary Public Detail Inventory Natural, Inventory Natural, Social, Notice of Completion to Consultation to Review Social, Economic **Economic Environment** Review Agencies and Public Problem or Opportunity Environment Identify Impact of Alternative Copy of Notice of Completion Identify Impact of Alternative Solutions on the to Ministry of Environment Designs on Environment, and Environment, and Mitigating **Environmental Assessment** Mitigating Measures Measures Branch **Consult Review Agencies Evaluate Alternative Designs:** and Public. RE: Problem or **Environmental Study Report** Identify Recommended **Opportunity and Alternative** Placed on Public Record Solutions **Solutions (PIC 1)**

We are here!

Evaluate Alternative Solutions: Identify **Recommended Solutions**

Consult Review Agencies and Previously Interested and **Directly Affected Public** (PIC 2)

Select Preferred Solution

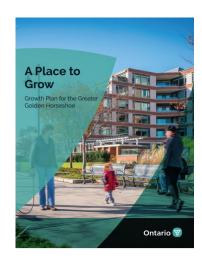
Consult Review Agencies and Previously Interested and Directly Affected Public. (PIC 3)

Preliminary Finalization of Preferred Design

Select Preferred Design

Problem and Opportunity Statement





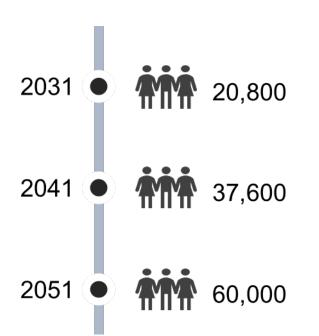
A Place to Grow is the provincial framework for implementing growth in the Greater Golden Horseshoe (GGH) which the Region of Peel is situated within. There is a need for additional water storage in order to meet anticipated servicing demands due to growth forecasted to 2051.

As growth continues to progress further north within the Region, greater focus is placed on the municipal water infrastructure servicing these higher elevation zones in southwest Caledon within the Zone 7 Pressure Zone.

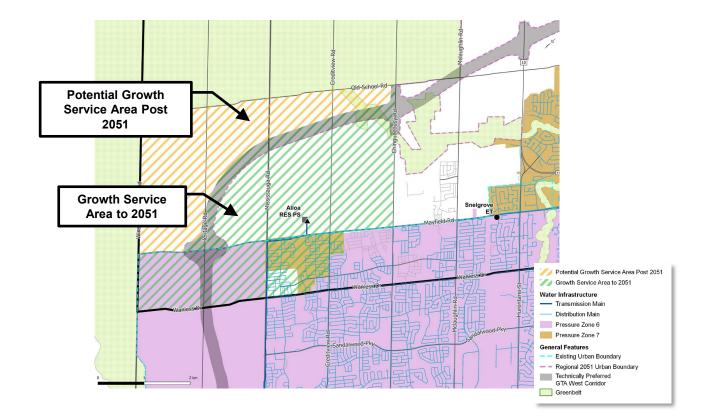


Problem and Opportunity Statement

The Region of Peel completed a Water and Wastewater Master Servicing Plan Update (2020) which identified the need to construct new water storage infrastructure for Pressure Zone 7 West. The goal of this study is to develop, evaluate, and select a preferred storage facility and transmission main alignment to service projected growth to 2051.



Population projections for the growth service area to 2051 in green on the map.





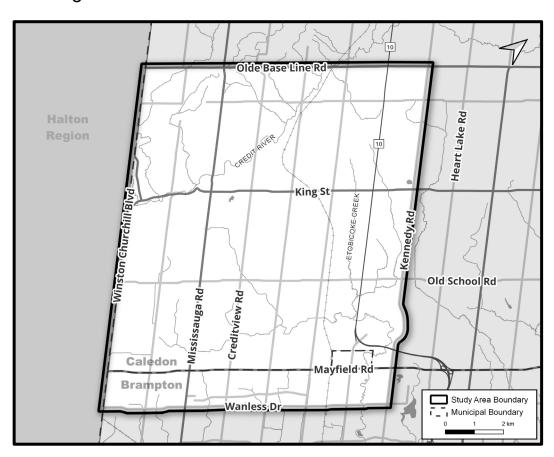
Study Area and Existing Water System



Study Area includes a large area within the Town of Caledon and a portion of the City of Brampton. It is bound by:

- Olde Base Line Road to the north,
- · Winston Churchill Boulevard to the west,
- · Kennedy Road to the east, and
- · Wanless Drive to the south.

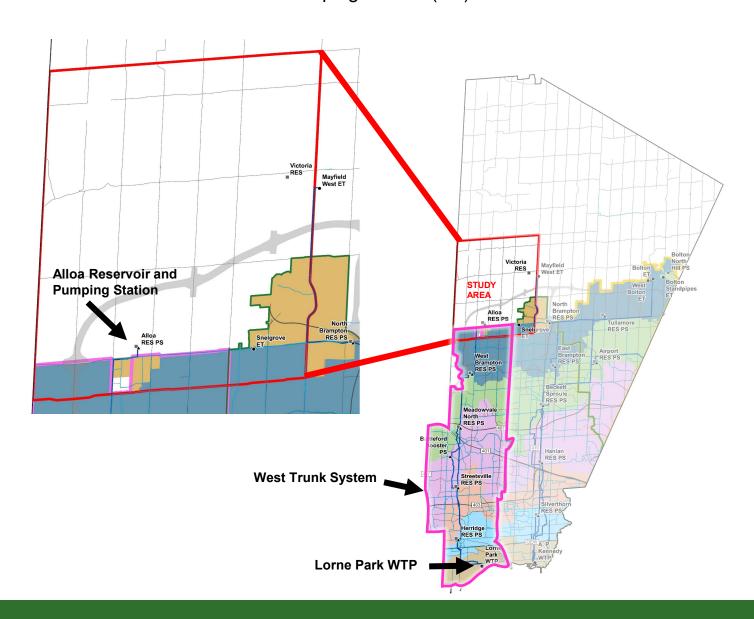
Study Area provides a range of servicing elevations required for the water storage alternatives.



The Region of Peel's water system is generally broken into the East Trunk System, Central Trunk System, and West Trunk System.

The local water distribution system consist of water mains in seven pressure zones separated by approximately 30-metre intervals of elevation.

The Study Area is north of the West Trunk System, whose water is treated by the Lorne Park Water Treatment Plan (WTP), pumped through the West Trunk System, and ultimately ends at the southern limits of the Study Area at the Alloa Reservoir and Pumping Station (PS).



Project Process



Phase 1

- •Prepare profile of Study Area
- Develop Problem and Opportunity Statement
- Project initiation and visioning
- •Determine preliminary service area storage needs

Phase 2

- Identify Alternative Concepts (Storage type options) and General Locations
- •Develop Screening Criteria and Evaluation Method

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Background Studies to Support Evaluation of Concepts

- •Desktop Baseline of Natural Features Assessment
- •Desktop Cultural Heritage / Archaeological Assessment

Analysis and Evaluation of Concepts

- Storage Analysis
- Policy and Standards
- Cost Benefit
- •Potential Environmental Impacts



Key Decision / Outcome

Select Preferred Concept (Storage Type and General Location)

•Develop Screening Criteria

 Develop Long List of Alternative Storage Sites and Alignments screening



Background Studies to Support Evaluation of Long List of Sites and Alignments

- Desktop Background Hydrogeology
- •Desktop Baseline Geotechnical
- •Agricultural Screening Long List



- Analysis and Evaluation of Long List of Sites
- Municipal and Public Agency Meetings
- Refine Evaluation
- •PIC No. 1 Preliminary
 Preferred Storage Concepts
 and Long List Sites and
 Alignments (Fall 2022)



Key Decisions/ Outcome

Select Long List Sites and Alignments

• Compile Detailed Environmental Information to Support the Evaluation of Sites



- Traffic Impact Assessment
- Stage 2 Cultural Heritage / Archaeological Assessment (if required)

List of Sites and Alignments

- Baseline of Natural Features Assessment
- Agricultural Impact Assessment
- PIC No. 2 Preliminary Preferred Site and Alignment (Spring 2023)



Key Decisions/ Outcome

Selected Preferred Site Alignment

Phase 3

- Develop Alternative Design Concepts for Water Transmission Main and Storage
- •Review and Evaluation Design Concepts
- Municipal and Public Agency Meetings
- Obtain Approvals in Principle
- Assess Impacts
- Redefine Design Concepts
- •PIC No. 3 Preliminary Preferred Design Concept (Summer 2023)



Key Decisions/ Outcome

Select Preferred Design Concept (Construction Method, Design Details)

Phase 4

- Confirm Mitigation
 Measures, Monitoring and
 Permitting Requirements
- Prepare Notice of Study Completion
- •Support During 30-Day Review

Final ESR

STEP 1 STEP 2 STEP 3 Identify Viable Storage Concepts Screen for Viable Properties Step 3 Identification of Infrastructure Focus Area



Development of Storage Concepts



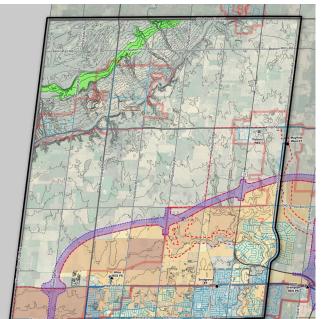
Topographic elevations within the Study Area were reviewed to identify viable locations for each storage concept.

The following storage concepts were evaluated in this study:

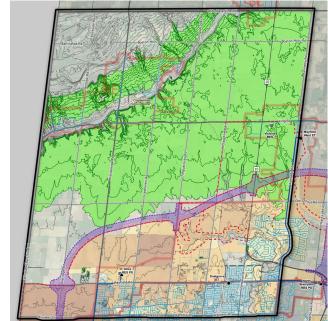
- Option 1: Do Nothing
- Option 2: Limit Growth
- Option 3: In-Ground Storage
- Option 4: Partial In-Ground Storage
- Option 5: Elevated Tank(s) and **Pumped Storage**
- Option 6: Stand Pipe(s) and **Pumped Storage**
- Option 7: Pumped Storage Only



Target Elevations: 325m to 340m







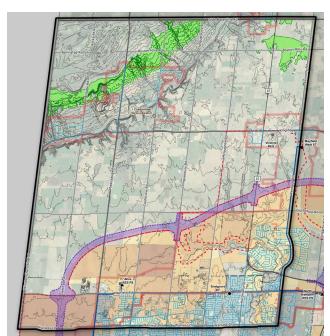


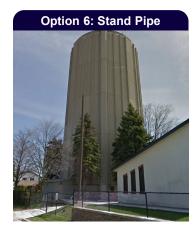
Target Elevations: 270m to 310m



Target Elevations: 320m to 325m







Target Elevations: 300m to 330m



Background Studies to Support Evaluation of Concepts



Desktop Baseline Natural Features Assessment



Description of Study: Inventory of Species at Risk, significant natural features,

wildlife habitats, and City parks.

Study Purpose: Determine the potential impacts to this project and any

mitigation measures required.

Desktop Cultural Heritage / Archaeological Stage 1



Description of Study: Identification of properties within the study area with cultural

heritage classification and archaeological potential.

Study Purpose: Determine the constraints and recommendations for further

investigations or studies.

Desktop Socio-Economic and Agricultural Screening



Description of Study: Identification of the existing and future land uses within the

study and of significant agricultural lands.

Study Purpose: Develop a solution that corresponds with future land uses.

Hydrogeological and Baseline Geotechnical



Description of Study: Establish the existing groundwater, soil, and rock

conditions, hydrogeological conditions and Source

Water Protection policy areas.

Study Purpose: Identify necessary mitigation measures on potential

impacts to groundwater and surface water

resources.



Evaluation of Storage Concepts



Individual storage concepts were assessed according to the problem and opportunity statement as well as the following criteria:



Technical Viability

Can the option be technically constructed? Are there nearby watermains the new storage facility can be connected to?



Environmental Impacts

Are there sensitive environmental features to consider / avoid?



Social and Cultural Impacts

Are there sensitive archaeological or culturally significant features to consider / avoid?



Policy and Jurisdictional

Is the option permittable under the current regulations?



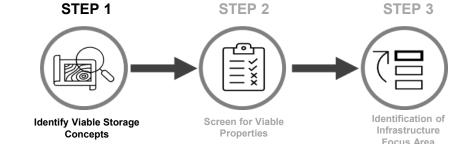
Economic

Is the option the most financially sustainable for construction and long-term operations?

Storage Concept	Evaluation
Option 1: Do Nothing	Does not satisfy the study's Problem and Opportunity Statement.
Option 2: Limit Growth	Does not satisfy the study's Problem and Opportunity Statement.
Option 3: In-Ground Reservoir	 Limited property availability outside of sensitive environmental features and is far from the service area. Has increased costs due to required watermain length.
Option 4: Partial In-Ground Reservoir	 Limited property availability outside of sensitive environmental features and is far from the service area. Has increased costs due to additional structural requirements of the storage facility.
Option 5: Elevated Tank(s) and Pumped Storage	 ✓ Greatest flexibility for property acquisition within the service area. ✓ Provides opportunity for phased construction to meet growth demands. ✓ Provides improved connectivity. ✓ Requires a shorter watermain(s) than reservoir alternatives thereby minimizing environmental impact, adheres to policies, and provides a cost-effective storage concept.
Option 6: Standpipe(s) and Pumped Storage	 Provides similar benefits to Option 5, but the standpipe does not have the same design options, siting flexibility, and storage benefits as the elevated tank. Limited site availability outside of the service area and environmental features.
Option 7: Pumped Storage Only	 Does not provide floating storage, redundancy, or emergency back-up. Does not meet Regional operations and servicing practices.



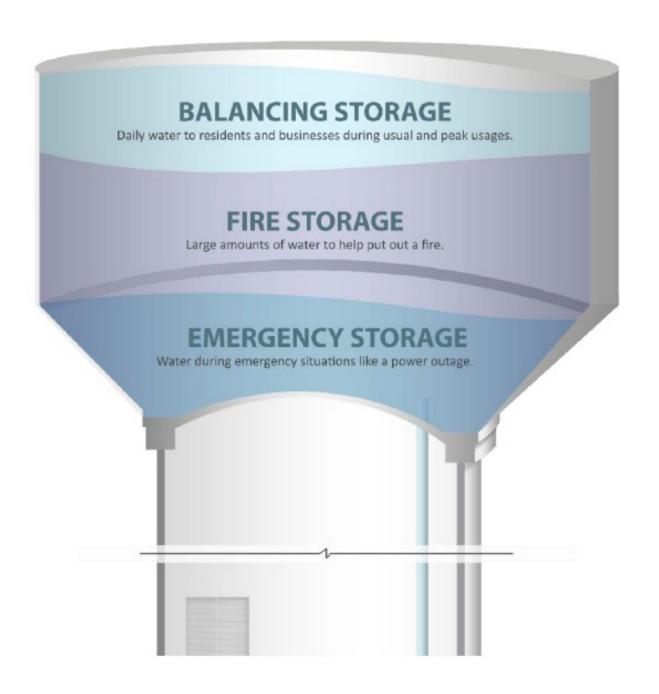
Do you have any thoughts on the evaluation methodology? Please let us know!





Elevated Tank(s) and Pumped Storage





Option 5 Elevated Tank(s) and Pumped Storage was selected as it provides:

- Siting flexibility within the study area;
- Opportunity for phased construction to meet growth demands;
- Improved connectivity;
- Shorter watermain(s) than other reservoir alternatives (minimizing environmental impact);
- Adherence to guiding policies, and,
- Cost-effective storage concept.



Do you have any thoughts on the preferred preliminary storage concept? Please let us know!





What areas are not suitable for elevated tanks?

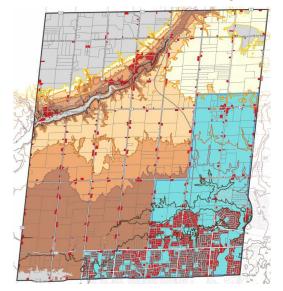
Screening Criteria



The study area was assessed against the following criteria to develop a focus area for siting new infrastructure. Areas with the following criteria were removed or screened out.



Technical Viability

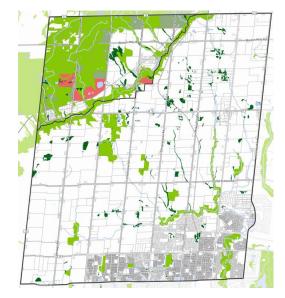


Screened Out:

- Properties outside required elevation
- Properties less than 2 hectares
- Properties in pressure zone 7 central



Natural Environment

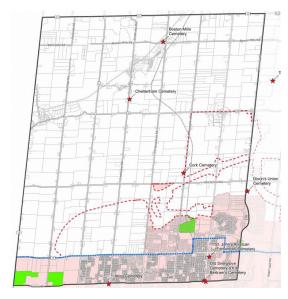


Screened Out:

- Properties in Niagara Escarpment
- Environmentally Sensitive Areas
- Area of Natural and Scientific Interest



Social / Cultural

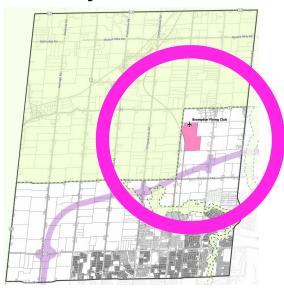


Screened Out:

- Archeological and Cultural Heritage Properties
- Existing Urban Areas



Policy / Jurisdictional



Screened Out:

- Properties in the Greenbelt
- Technically preferred corridor for Hwy 413 (GTA West)
- 4 km radius of Brampton Flying Club



Economic

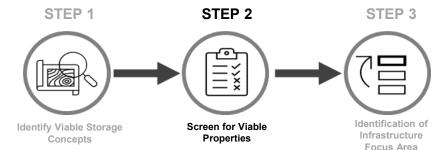


Screened Out:

 Existing Region-owned properties that are not available



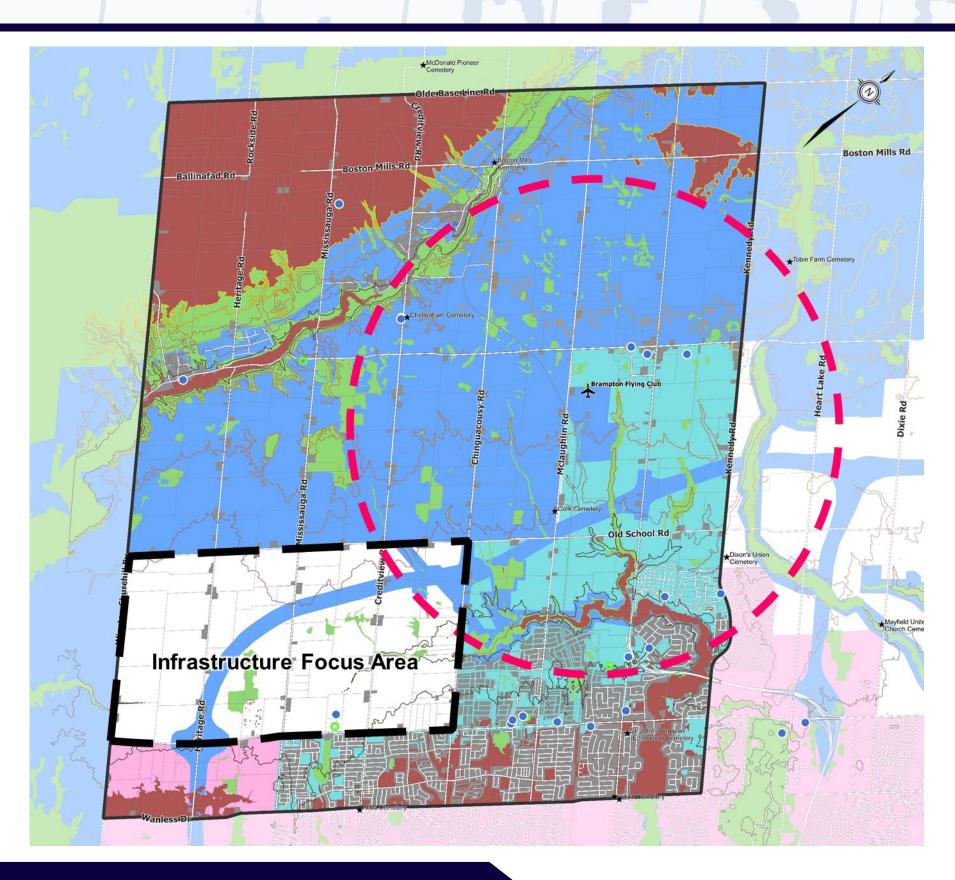
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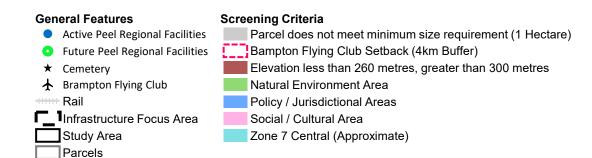
Identification of Infrastructure Focus Area

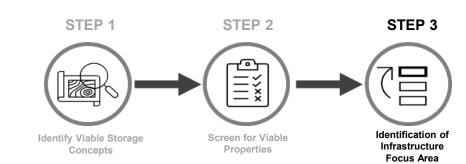




Having removed the land area that met the screening criteria, the study identified the **Infrastructure Focus Area**.

The next step will be to review and develop a range of storage facility sites and watermain alignment alternatives for further consideration within the Infrastructure Focus Area.





Project Timeline



What are we doing next?

- Review and incorporate responses from PIC No. 1.
- Confirm short list of sites within the Infrastructure Focus Area for new elevated tank(s).
- Complete detailed evaluation of the following:
 - Short listed sites for new elevated tank(s), and
 - Water transmission main alignments.
- Complete additional supporting technical studies related to short listed sites including:
 - Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment,
 - Natural Features Assessment,
 - · Geotechnical Study, and
 - Phase One Environmental Site Assessment.
- Continue to engage with review and approval agencies and other key stakeholders and rightsholders.
- Select a preliminary preferred site for the new elevated tank(s) and water transmission main alignments.
- Prepare for PIC No. 2.

Project Timeline

Spring 2023: PIC No. 2 is anticipated to be held to review

the Phase 2 Preliminary Preferred Site and

Alignment.

Late Summer PIC No. 3 is anticipated to be held to review

2023: the Phase 3 Preliminary Preferred Design

Concept.

Fall 2023: A detailed costing, phasing and

implementation plan are anticipated to be

developed and completed.

Late Fall A Notice of Study Completion for the project

2023: is anticipated to be sent out.

Engagement with Indigenous Communities, review and approval agencies, public as well as other key stakeholders will continue throughout the project timeline.

Get Engaged!







Additional project information can be found on the project website, which can be accessed by scanning the QR Code with your smartphone.

How to Stay Involved



✓ Fill out the questionnaire and comment sheet.

✓ Sign up for project information updates.

✓ Provide your feedback regarding materials presented in this PIC No. 1.

Do you have any questions, comments, or want to stay up to date? Please contact us anytime.

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