

## EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

### CHAPTER 7 – Implementation

#### SUMMARY

The Implementation Chapter is very important to ensure the policy directions in the Niagara Official Plan are carried out efficiently and successfully. There are numerous important components for the implementation of NOP policy direction, namely:

- **7.1 Plan Interpretation**
  - How to read the Plan
- **7.2 Region and Local Roles**
  - Coordinating planning applications
  - Memorandum of Understandings- ensuring this process stays in effect and up to date
  - Exemptions to Regional approvals. An example would be the Region exempting Secondary Plans from Regional approval under certain conditions.
  - Guidance documents
- **7.3 Performance Indicators and Monitoring**
  - Monitor intensification and density targets
  - Land developed
  - Natural environment mapping updates
  - Archaeological Management Plan (AMP) potential mapping updates
- **7.4 Phasing**
  - Local municipalities phasing growth
  - Excess lands
- **7.5 Health Impact Assessment**
  - Establish criteria in Secondary Plans
- **7.6 Asset Management Plan**
  - Assessing the full life cycle costs of infrastructure. The financial sustainability of infrastructure is a Growth Plan objective.
- **7.7 Complete Applications**
  - Identifies the studies required to be submitted with various applications
- **7.8 Review / Updates /Amendments to OP**



- Incorporation and carry over of existing site-specific policy areas.
- **7.9 Consultation and engagement- outline approach for:**
  - Public consultation
  - Consulting with other governments
  - Engaging local municipalities
  - Engaging Indigenous partners

Integration Guide for Sub-sections Reported in PDS 32-2021	
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Policies for this Chapter are more easily developed as the draft policies associated with other Chapters come to fruition. Most policies for this section will be similar to the policy direction in the existing Regional Official Plan with the exception of new policy direction for performance indicator and monitoring, phasing, health impact assessment, asset management and certain consultation elements such as consultation with Indigenous communities.

One section for the Implementation Chapter that has been drafted is the Performance Indicators and Monitoring (Section 7.3). Draft policies have been developed on performance indicators and monitoring early to assist with, and compliment the policy direction within Chapter 2: Growing Region.

Monitoring the implementation of this Plan is critical to:

- a) analyze the effectiveness of the policies in this Plan in meeting its overall goals and objectives;
- b) confirm targets are being met;
- c) respond to trends; and
- d) identify and confirm if the direction of the Plan remains constant or if updates are required.

The policies identify the topic areas that will require monitoring, as well as Regional and Local municipal roles in the monitoring process.

Planning staff have initiated work on other Sections of the Implementation Chapter. For example Regional Planning staff are discussing with all local planning staff which existing site specific policy areas can be removed as they are no longer necessary and which should be carried over into the Niagara Official Plan.

The Draft policies on Performance Indicators and Monitoring are attached as **Appendix 4.2**.