Statutory Public Meeting

Regional Official Plan Amendment Proposed Law Quarry Expansion, Township of Wainfleet

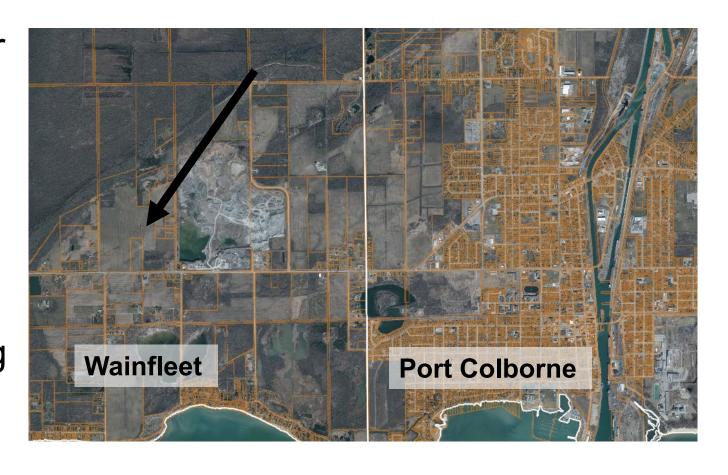
Report No. PDS 3-2024
Planning and Economic Development Committee
February 7, 2024





Purpose of the Public Meeting

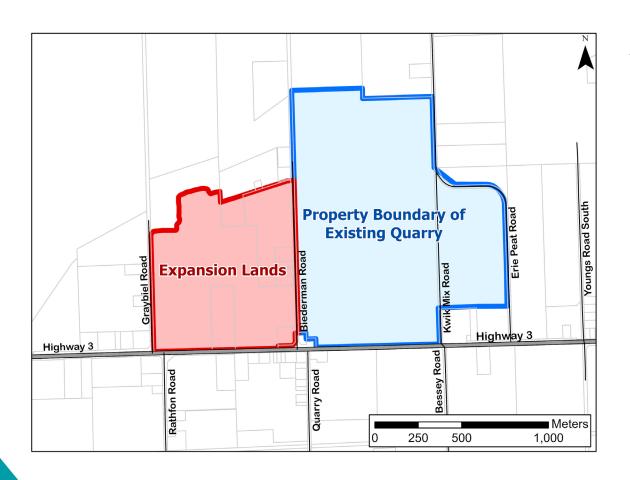
- To provide an opportunity for comments regarding the proposed Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA) application.
- No recommendation is being made, and no decision of Council is being requested.







Regional Official Plan Amendment



Applicant: Waterford Sand and Gravel Ltd.

Purpose of Application

- To re-designate the lands to Licenced Mineral Aggregate Operation, to allow for the proposed expansion of the Law Quarry
- Expansion Area: 72.3 ha, 51.2 ha to be extracted

Location: Township of Wainfleet

 North of Highway 3, east of Greybiel Road, and west of the existing quarry operation.





Documents Submitted

- Planning Justification
- Consultation Plan
- Agricultural Impact
- Archaeological Assessment
- Noise Impact
- Blasting Impact
- Air Quality Impact

- Financial Impact / Economic Benefits
- Water Resources
- Natural Environment
- Visual Impact
- Traffic Impact
- Cultural Heritage

The application, studies, site plans, and other supporting information are available for review on the Region's website: (https://www.niagararegion.ca/official-plan/amendments.aspx)





Timeline of ROPA Application

Pre-Consultation Meeting (March 20, 2021)

Application Submitted (June 22, 2022)

JART Comment Letter (January 13, 2023) 2nd JART Comment Letter (December 21, 2023)

Final JART Report (TBD)





















JART Formed

Application Deemed Completed (July 22, 2022)

2nd Submission by Applicant (September 6, 2023) Statutory Public Meeting (February 7, 2024) Recommendation Report (TBD)





Concurrent Applications

Township of Wainfleet

- Local Official Plan Amendment
- Zoning By-law Amendment

Aggregate Resources Act

- A licence under the Aggregate Resources Act (ARA)
 - ➤ The Province is the approval authority for the ARA Licence which cannot be granted until the municipal approvals are in place.
- A Joint Agency Review Team (JART) has been formed, and Regional, NPCA, and Township Staff are working together to review all the applications concurrently.





Approval Process

- Regional Council is the approval authority for the:
 - Regional Official Plan Amendment
 - Township of Wainfleet Official Plan Amendment

- Township Council is the approval authority for the:
 - Zoning By-Law Amendment





Next Steps

- Township of Wainfleet Statutory Public Meeting
- Continue to collect and review comments from the public and agencies
- Ongoing review of application with Township Staff through the JART to address any outstanding issues
- Review and address Finalize JART Report
- Prepare a Recommendation Report for Planning and Economic Development Committee and Council consideration





Thank you

Questions and comments may be directed to:

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