

## APPENDIX F - PUBLIC CONSULTATION - CORRESPONDENCE

Andrea LaPlante

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From: Barboza, Karla (MTCS) [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2019 9:42 AM  
To: Andrea LaPlante  
Cc: Minkin, Dan (MTCS)  
Subject: FW: Class Environmental Assessment - 7th Line Storm Drainage Outlet - Notice of Addendum (MHSTCI File 0011772)  
Attachments: ltr\_20185229\_NoAddendum.pdf  
  
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Hi Andrea,

Thanks for sending the notice of Addendum for the 7<sup>th</sup> Line Storm Drainage Outlet to the (now) Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries (MHSTCI).

Dan Minkin, MHSTCI Heritage Planner, is assigned to this file – 0011772. Is it possible to send an electronic copy of the approved 2007 EA Report to both Dan and I? We would like to understand what has been done for the cultural heritage environment to date. This will assist in preparing our preliminary comments and advice.

Thanks in advance,  
Karla

Karla Barboza MCIP, RPP, CAHP | (A) Team Lead, Heritage  
Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries  
Culture Division | Programs and Services Branch | Heritage Planning Unit  
[REDACTED]

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From: Andrea LaPlante <laplantea@ae.ca>  
Sent: November-15-19 1:59 PM  
Subject: Class Environmental Assessment - 7th Line Storm Drainage Outlet - Notice of Addendum

Good afternoon,

On behalf of the Town of Innisfil, Associated Engineering Ltd. is undertaking the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Addendum for the 7<sup>th</sup> Line Storm Drainage Outlet. Please find attached both a letter and the Notice of Addendum providing details of the study.

If you have received this email in error or do not wish to remain on the Study contact list please respond to this email informing the Study team.

Kind regards,

**Andrea LaPlante, P.Eng.**  
Environmental Assessment Coordinator  
**Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd.**  
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From: EA Notices to CRegion (MECP) <eanotification.cregion@ontario.ca>  
Sent: Tuesday, November 26, 2019 11:41 AM  
To: Andrea LaPlante  
Cc: Sarvejit Nagi; Amber Leal; Martin, Paul (MECP)  
Subject: RE: Town of Innisfil, MEA Class EA Addendum, 7th Line Storm Drainage Outlet

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Andrea,

The ministry staff has reviewed the information provided and recommends that the following communities be contacted as they may have an interest in the project:

- Chippewas of Georgina Island
- Chippewas of Rama First Nation (Chippewas of Mnjikaning)
- Beausoleil First Nation
  - o For the above three Williams Treaties communities, please cc all correspondence to Karry Sandy McKenzie, Williams Treaties First Nations Process Co-ordinator, [inquiries@williamstreatiesfirstnations.ca](mailto:inquiries@williamstreatiesfirstnations.ca)
- Huron-Wendat Nation (if there is potential for the project to impact archeological resources)
- Métis Nation of Ontario, MNO Georgian Bay Métis Council
  - please cc Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) [consultations@metisnation.org](mailto:consultations@metisnation.org) on any correspondence going to the Councils

Nothing in the above guidance should prevent the Town from reaching out to other Indigenous communities and/or organizations that they understand may have an interest in the project.

Please be aware that the above guidance may change as new information becomes available on project impacts and/or communities' areas of interest.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there is any additional information we can provide or if you would like to discuss the above.

Thank you,

**Chunmei Liu** | Environmental Resource Planner | Environmental Assessment Coordinator | Central Region, Ontario  
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

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Sent: November-15-19 1:41 PM  
To: EA Notices to CRegion (MECP) <eanotification.cregion@ontario.ca>  
Cc: Sarvejit Nagi <nagis@ae.ca>; Amber Leal <aleal@innisfil.ca>  
Subject: Town of Innisfil, MEA Class EA Addendum, 7th Line Storm Drainage Outlet

Associated Engineering (AE) has been retained by the Town of Innisfil to assist with the completion of a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Addendum for the previously completed (2007) Schedule B Class EA to assess improvements to the drainage capacity of Watercourse No. 5. An Addendum has been initiated due to the lapse in time and the determination that the recommended solution is no longer applicable.

In addition to providing Notice of Addendum, I am requesting a list of potentially affected Indigenous/First Nation communities to be consulted for this study.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Regards

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Date: November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Re: RDS61 Cross Street Culvert Improvements**

Dear Resident,

In 2018, the Town of Innisfil (the Town) initiated the design process for improvements related to the culvert crossing on Cross Street, see below.



Throughout the design phase, it has been determined that the issues relating to flooding, direction of water and property access would only be slightly improved by moving forward with the preferred alternative of replacing the culvert structure which is in good condition.

Due to the recommendation of not moving forward with the culvert replacement, the Town will be initiating an addendum to the Environmental Assessment (EA) that was originally conducted in 2007.

The Town will be following up with a Notice of Project Commencement that will reopen the EA and review the preferred alternatives.

At this time, the Town is requesting your assistance in providing feedback to help us obtain a complete picture of the issues that could be improved.

**The Town has created a short survey that can be found at [getinvolvedinnisfil.ca/culverts](http://getinvolvedinnisfil.ca/culverts).** If you cannot complete the survey online, please contact the Town for an alternate format.

Please submit your responses by December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

If you do not have access to the internet, we have included the questions on the back of this letter, please feel free to drop off the filled out form at the Town Hall Customer Service counter.

We thank you for the time you have taken out of your day to answer the questions found in the link above.

If you have any questions or concerns about the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Amber Leal**, B.Sc., C.E.T.

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# Phone Record

November 21, 2019 @ 1pm

With:



Record by: Andrea LaPlante

Re: Cross Street Culvert EA Addendum

## Notes:

- Has been wondering what happened to previous study completed to address flooding from severe storms, etc.
- Received Notice of Addendum via email (stakeholder email blast by Andrea L)
- 2 winters previous had flooding
  - Not severe but 12-18 inches high water
  - Could see high water marks on cottage
- Is not permanent resident; seasonal cottage
- Last year/this past spring (Spring 2019) had very high water; however, had no damage from flooding
- A few winters ago had ice jamming at the culvert; Town crew had to come out and try and break up ice (several times) to alleviate flooding
- Neighbour across the street is permanent resident and told him that several times the water has been so high it has flowed over the road and culvert structure
- He has a retaining wall on his property with a tree abutting the wall
  - Damage from the tree has pushed down the wall which leaves very little freeboard in 'regular' conditions
- Has noted in large storms, runoff comes along 7<sup>th</sup> Line along roadway and into creek; this coupled with already high water level in creek creates flooding
- Inquired about ownership of creek; I recommended he contact Amber at the Town for more information regarding property
- Recommended removing culvert and have only pedestrian bridge to allow more 'free-flow' condition
- I sent him the link to the Town's online survey; he said he would reach out to neighbours to make sure they contribute.

Follow up: sent email with link to Town's online survey



Andrea LaPlante

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From: Amber Leal <aleal@innisfil.ca>  
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2019 2:34 PM  
To: Andrea LaPlante; Sarvejit Nagi; Customer Service [REDACTED]  
Cc: Roberto DaSilva  
Subject: Summary of Today's Communications Cross Street Bridge EA

Follow Up Flag: Follow up  
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Hi Everyone,

I spoke with [REDACTED] on the phone today regarding the Notice of EA Addendum for RDS61 Cross Street Bridge. He is a resident of nearby Cedar Grove Avenue. His contact information is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a previous Councillor for the Town and highlighted some valuable information from the past regarding this project.

- He indicated the stormwater pond in Previn Court has a long history of functioning incorrectly and in the past has caused many issues regarding drainage in relation to quantity and quality down through to the outlet
- He also noted that there is a hole in the culvert at Cross Street
- I gave [REDACTED] an update on project constraints including the fact that the Town does not own the channel east of St. Johns known as Banks Creek, the status of reopening the EA as the preferred alternative in the past is no longer applicable as the structure itself is in pretty good condition.
- I invited [REDACTED] to fill out the survey we have asked residents to fill out that are impacted by these channel works at [getinvolvedinnisfil.ca/culverts](http://getinvolvedinnisfil.ca/culverts)

AE Team – we will need to look into this for the project file.

CS Team – could you please log this correspondence to the project?

Warmest Regards,

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From: Amber Leal <aleal@innisfil.ca>  
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2019 9:40 AM  
To: [REDACTED] Andrea LaPlante  
Cc: Customer Service  
Subject: RDS61 Cross Street Bridge Improvements (CS)

Follow Up Flag: Follow up  
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Hi [REDACTED]

I have heard your concerns below and will ensure to put you on the correspondence list regarding this project.

I have heard from a few residents nearby your property and I will aim to come up with a solution that will help with your concerns specifically as they are similar to those of your neighbours.

Through this exercise, we were aiming to get a more holistic idea of actual impacts to residents and I think we've been able to do that.

I will ensure that through the EA addendum, we address channel erosion and downstream bank protection.

Will follow up with you in a few months.

Warmest Regards,

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: November 24, 2019 3:29 PM  
To: Amber Leal <aleal@innisfil.ca>; laplantea@ae.ca  
Subject: Fw: Drain Piping at 7th line and St John

[EXTERNAL]

7th Line Storm Drainage Outlet.

Dear Amber Leal and Andrea LaPlante,

The issue of flooding and especially erosion to private properties has and will continue to be of great concern to residence and the question is why "delay" the 7th line storm drainage project?.

I have indicated personal concerns in the past when the subdivision by Webster and 7th line was being developed, storm water was running directly to the Lake because there was no longer marsh land and green space to absorb and collect rain water. Today it continues to be an increasing concern as the land is being developed, construction is booming, but no recourse for storm water generated by these developers.

I honestly believe the Town of Innisfil should be more responsible and vigilant in protecting existing residences by implementing infrastructural drainage plans without delay.

Regards

[REDACTED]

until the issue of controlling storm water via St John creek to Lake Simcoe.

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** Inquiry Customer Service <[inquiry@innisfil.ca](mailto:inquiry@innisfil.ca)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017, 07:12:47 p.m. EDT  
**Subject:** Drain Piping at 7th line and St John

[REDACTED]

The town Of Innisfil,

Earlier this year the old underground storm water piping was replaced at the intersection of the 7th Line and St John. The only problem it was redirected to run into my property causing erosion that is now happening and I would like for someone to address this concern.

Note: this is my third complaint and if there is no resolution I will be seeking to pursue legal action. Attached are a few of my pictures that shows concerns.

Regards

[REDACTED]

# Phone Record

November 25, 2019 @ 10:15am

With:



Record by: Andrea LaPlante

Re: Cross Street Culvert EA Addendum

## Notes:

- Previous Town councillor
- Concerned that issue with flooding is the upstream flow that is coming from Previn SWM pond
- Flows from Previn SWM pond are high and dirty during storm events
- Water is also coming from 20<sup>th</sup> Street and down to 7<sup>th</sup> Line
- High flows are causing erosion and flooding issues
- The SWM pond at Previn is likely undersized and only designed for subdivision and not additional flows
- Previn Court construction around 2007
- Understands the high-water levels at Lake Simcoe result in flooding when upstream flows have nowhere to go
- Is an option to install pipe from 7<sup>th</sup> Line straight to Lake?
- 7<sup>th</sup> Street culvert was replaced about 3 years ago – didn't help flooding issues; likely just a pipe replacement
- Similar flooding issues along Simcoe Blvd.; issue was addressed through enlarging SWM pond at Royal Alcona
- Noted that the 2 properties on either side of outlet to Lake Simcoe on Cross Street were for sale; the south property was recently sold; the north property had removed its for-sale sign after about a year of being on the market

Andrea LaPlante

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From: Amber Leal <aleal@innisfil.ca>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 10:50 AM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Cc: Sarvejit Nagi; Andrea LaPlante; Roberto DaSilva  
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

Follow Up Flag: Follow up  
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Hi [REDACTED]

Hope all is well. Looks like you caught me when I had left for the day and gone on vacation.

I understand you are the new owner of [REDACTED] and would like information on the project that is occurring in this location. I also understand that you have contacted our consultant that we have been working with on the project as well today and they provided you with information as to where we are in the project.

Did they provide you with everything you needed?

Our website has great information regarding the building the process and unfortunately, I'm no expert in this matter.

<https://innisfil.ca/living/ourservices/book-a-building-or-septic-inspection/step-2-applying-for-a-construction-or-demolition-permit/building-permit-applications/>

Warmest Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: January 10, 2020 6:10 PM  
To: Amber Leal <aleal@innisfil.ca>  
Subject: [REDACTED]

[EXTERNAL]

Hello i am the new owner of [REDACTED] banks creek runs through my property from cross to lake simcoe and i am not aware of this project and would like information as i am planning on building a new home Please send me any information as soon as possible. [REDACTED]

Andrea LaPlante

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From: Amber Leal <aleal@innisfil.ca>  
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2019 1:59 PM  
To: Customer Service  
Cc: Roberto DaSilva; Sarvejit Nagi; Andrea LaPlante; Angela Peck  
Subject: [REDACTED] New MOAR case

Follow Up Flag: Follow up  
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Hi CS,

Could someone please create a MOAR case for [REDACTED] ?

[REDACTED] called me in response to the notices that we sent out regarding updating the EA as it doesn't make sense for us to replace the bridge anymore.

She expressed frustration at the fact that the EA was completed 10-15 years ago and it recommended a solution and they were excited because they have had to deal with this ever increasing flooding situation that is causing damage to their property.

I heard her and explained what I'm working on and how I am looking for potential ways to help her fix the extended erosion along her property moving forward.

I also explained that this watercourse is technically owned by the Crown. It used to be owned by a private corporation which has dissolved. When that happens for whatever reason, sometimes the Crown takes possession and they are absolved of having any responsibility regarding any kind of operations and maintenance.

Though the Town is in the process of having this watercourse downgraded to us it is not ours yet and therefore we are not responsible for anything occurring here YET.

When the Town does own it, we do not get the same kind of liberties when it comes to lack of operation and maintenance. So anticipating that we will own it, I told her I would help her to find something that would help her deal with this issue.

I told her I would follow up in a couple of months regarding progress and the closing of this EA. I also asked her to write down her concerns via the survey that we sent out for residents to fill out (digitally) to get the feedback regarding what they are actually experiencing out there regarding flooding, conveyance and property access as a result of this watercourse. That survey can be found at [getinvolvedinnisfil.ca/culverts](http://getinvolvedinnisfil.ca/culverts).

Can you please also attach this correspondence to Capital Project RDS61 Cross Street.

Can you also attach a follow up date for me to contact her for say April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to give her an update on the project and the direction we are headed at that point.

Warmest Regards,

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