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## **NOTICE of MEETING for a (Section 78) DRAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

**To: Affected Property Owners, Road Authorities and Utility Owners  
for the Hewitt's Creek Drainage Works – Innisfil Beach Road Realignment**

Dear Sir/Madam:

### **Background**

The *Drainage Act* is a provincial statute that allows property owners with drainage issues to petition their municipality for a solution. The *Drainage Act* process requires council to appoint an engineer to consult with property owners and design a solution. After any appeals are disposed of, the report is adopted by by-law, the drain is constructed and then it is recognized as a municipal drain. After the drainage system is built, the municipality is responsible for managing it. The cost of constructing the drainage system, as well as the cost of any future maintenance, repair or improvement work, is assessed to the property owners that benefit from the drainage system and/or contribute water into the system.

The Hewitt's Creek Drainage Works ("Hewitt's Creek Drain") is a municipal drain originally constructed under the *Drainage Act* through the authority of Town of Innisfil By-law 71-87 dated November 25, 1987. As part of the County Road reconstruction project on Simcoe Road 21 (Innisfil Beach Road), the County will be abandoning a portion of the existing municipal drain and realigning this section as part of the work.

The location of this portion of the Hewitt's Creek Drain is shown on the enclosed Preliminary Watershed Plan. Please note that the "watershed boundary" indicated on the plan is to be considered "approximate"; it will be confirmed as part of the work. Accordingly, it is open to discussions and subject to change, as are the affected properties and roads contained within it.

### **You are hereby notified that:**

- By resolution dated April 13, 2022, the Council of the Town of Innisfil has authorized a project under Section 78 of the *Drainage Act* to improve a portion of the Hewitt's Creek Drain.

- The engineering firm of R. J. Burnside & Associates Limited has been appointed to prepare a report for improvements to this drain and that Jeff Dickson, P. Eng. from this firm has been assigned responsibility for this project.

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*Because your property may be in the watershed of the Hewitt's Creek Drain – Innisfil Beach Road Realignment, you are requested to attend a meeting to discuss this drain improvement project:*

*Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2022 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.*

*Location: 1792 Innisfil Beach Road, Innisfil, ON.*

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**At this meeting, you will:**

- Be given an overview of the *Drainage Act*;
- Receive history of the Hewitt's Creek Drain and its status under the *Drainage Act*;
- Receive some basic information of the proposed improvements to the drain; and
- Have an opportunity to ask questions about the Hewitt's Creek Drain and to provide information about your property.

Should you have questions or cannot attend, please contact Drainage Superintendent – Jeremy Nyenhuis at 705-436-3740 Ext. 4222; if Jeremy is not available, please contact Burnside at 1-800-265-9662 and ask for either Jeff Dickson or Sid VanderVeen.

Dated this 25th day of May 2022.



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**Failure to Attend Meeting**

If you do not attend the meeting, it will proceed in your absence. If you are affected or assessed by this proposed project, you will continue to receive notification as required by the *Drainage Act*.