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Hi Brianna & Tammie

As requested during our participation at the public meeting for the Draft Official Plan, we are providing our written comments below.

 Thank you for the opportunity to voice our concern regarding the designation of Municipal Drains as Restoration Opportunity Overlay in the Natural Environment Section of the Draft Official Plan (Section 5.2).

Our concern is that designating Municipal Drains as a Restoration Opportunity Overlay will reduce and/or compromise the service functions of the Municipal Drainage System. Municipal Drains are regulated under the Drainage Act, including the process and compensation for establishing buffering. The vegetation options within the working corridors do not generally support tree plantings.

The majority of the municipal drains have been established largely on private land and are essential to drain agricultural lands in this flat topography. The crop yields are intrinsically dependent on the successful drainage of the agricultural lands. It is our request that this Restoration Opportunity Overlay designation not be applied to the municipal drainage system.

2. We are taking this opportunity to put forward an immediate opportunity for the Town to support its current growth trend while the wastewater capacity is being expanded in accordance with the Water and Wastewater Master Plan Study. The property along the east side of West Belle River Road between Rogers Road and the 401 is Waterfront Residential Designation. We are requesting that this same designation be applied along both sides of the road to allow for optimizing both existing and planned municipal infrastructure. This would also increase the number of properties sharing the cost when the planned services are extended.

This approach is consistent with the existing land uses on the parallel section of Belle River Road. The existing residential lots have been developed on individual on-site sewage services in the interim, with sanitary servicing identified in the Water and Wastewater Master Plan as part of the Belle River Servicing Area. An aerial image and some relevant plan excerpts are attached for ease of reference.

Thank you for your time in reviewing and considering our requests. Regards, Josette Eugeni For James & Jeannette Sylvestre

Aerial Image:



Excerpt: OP Schedule C1 (orange = Waterfront Residential Designation



Excerpt: Figure 17 Recommended Sewage Servicing Options – Lakeshore Water & Wastewater MP

