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Urvi Prajapati

Corporation of the Town of Lakeshore Development Services, Planning Division 419 Notre Dame Street Belle River, ON NOR 1A0

Dear Urvi Prajapati:

RE: Zoning By-Law Amendment ZBA-32-2021

2694 COUNTY RD 31 (2744)

ARN 375146000000600; PIN: 750560046

Applicant: John Olson

The following is provided as a result of our review of Zoning By-Law Amendment ZBA-32-2021. The applicants have submitted an application to rezone the remnant (retained) farmland, zoned Agriculture (A) to agriculture uses only, to further prohibit residential dwellings by zoning it to Agriculture Zone Exception 1 (A-1) in order to meet the provision of a recent Consent.

DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITY TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCIAL INTEREST IN NATURAL HAZARDS (PPS) AND REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES ACT

The following comments reflect our role as representing the provincial interest in natural hazards as outlined by Section 3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act* as well as our regulatory role as defined by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

The above noted lands are subject to our Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation under the *Conservation Authorities Act* (Ontario Regulation No. 158/06). The parcel falls within the regulated area of the 6th Conc. & South Townline Drain. The property owner will be required to obtain a Permit and/or Clearance from the Essex Region Conservation Authority prior to any future construction or site alteration or other activities affected by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

The municipal drain typically has an unregistered working space, the municipality has the right to use to maintain or repair the drain. In addition, specific building setbacks from a municipal drain are applicable. Please contact your local municipality's drainage superintendent for more information.

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RISK MANAGEMENT AND SOURCE PROTECTION PLAN

The subject property may lie wholly or partially within the Event Based Area (EBA) of the Essex Region Source Protection Plan, which came into effect October 1, 2015. The Source Protection Plan was developed to provide measures to protect Essex Region's municipal drinking water sources. As a result of these policies, new projects in these areas may require approval by the Essex Region Risk Management Official (RMO) to ensure that appropriate actions are taken to mitigate any potential drinking water threats. Should your proposal require the installation of fuel storage on the site, please contact the RMO to ensure the handling and storage of fuel will not pose a significant risk to local sources of municipal drinking water. The Essex Region's Risk Management Official can be reached by email at riskmanagement@erca.org or 519-776-5209 ext 214. If a Risk Management Plan has previously been negotiated on this property, it will be the responsibility of the new owner to contact the Essex Region Risk Management Official to establish an updated Risk Management Plan. For any questions regarding Source Water Protection and the applicable source protection plan policies that may apply to the site, please contact the Essex Region Risk Management Official.

WATERSHED BASED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

The following comments are provided in an advisory capacity as a public commenting body on matters related to watershed management.

SECTION 1.6.6.7 Stormwater Management (PPS, 2020)

Our office has reviewed the proposal and has no concerns relating to stormwater management.

<u>PLANNING ADVISORY SERVICE TO PLANNING AUTHORITIES - NATURAL HERITAGE POLICIES</u> OF THE PPS, 2020

The following comments are provided from our perspective as an advisory service provider to the Planning Authority on matters related to natural heritage and natural heritage systems as outlined in Section 2.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act*. The comments in this section do not necessarily represent the provincial position and are advisory in nature for the consideration of the Planning Authority.

The subject property is not within or adjacent to any natural heritage feature that may meet the criteria for significance as defined by the PPS. Based on our review, we have no objection to the application with respect to the natural heritage policies of the PPS.

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FINAL RECOMMENDATION

With the review of background information provided and aerial photograph, ERCA has no objection to this application for Zoning by-law amendment. The applicant must obtain a Permit and/or Clearance, prior to any future construction or site alteration or other activities affected by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Vitra Chodha, E.P Resource Planner

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