

## Notice of Public Consultation Centre #1

# Oxford County Water and Wastewater Master Plan

Oxford County has initiated the development of a Water and Wastewater Master Plan (W/WW MP) to provide the County with strategic long-term water and wastewater servicing strategies that will support existing servicing needs and accommodate further projected population and employment growth to the year 2046.

### About the Water and Wastewater Master Plan

The 2024 Water and Wastewater Master Plan (W/WW MP) is a long-term planning document that identifies municipal water treatment, water supply, wastewater collection and wastewater treatment strategies to meet Oxford County's growth needs and service goals in existing serviced areas. The plan will:

- Consider population trends and servicing needs across the County;
- Provide infrastructure solutions that meet the County's level of service framework and objectives; and,
- Recognize water conservation measures and wastewater treatment efficiency optimization to support the County's commitment to environmental sustainability.

R.V. Anderson Associates Limited has been retained by Oxford County to complete the W/WW MP. Key objectives of the master plan include:

- Assess the current water and wastewater systems performance and deficiencies;
- Offer solutions that evaluate full lifecycle costs to understand overall financial implications and sustainability; and,
- Develop a system plan, which will ensure reliability, redundancy, and security of water resources for existing and future consumers through to the year 2046.

The W/WW MP is being conducted in accordance with the Master Plan requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 & 2015), approved under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*.

*Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.*

### We want to hear from you

Public and technical agency consultation will be fundamental in developing the Master Plan, and members of the public are invited and encouraged to comment on the project at any time during the Study.

The Project Team is hosting the study's first Public Consultation Centre (PCC) to introduce the 2024 Water and Wastewater Master Plan. This will be a virtual (online) event held:

**Thursday, September 29, 2022**

**5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

Log-in details at [www.oxfordcounty.ca/wwwmp](http://www.oxfordcounty.ca/wwwmp)

Representatives from the County and its consultants will be available at the PCC to answer questions and discuss the next steps in the study.

In addition to PCC #1, the Project Team is attending local events to engage directly with members of the community. Pop-up events are planned for:

**Wednesday, September 14:** Canada's Outdoor Farm Show in Woodstock

**Friday, September 23:** Ribfest in Tillsonburg.

Events will be advertised via social media, *Speak Up Oxford!*, and local media prior to the event.

The comment period for the W/WW MP PCC#1 closes on **Wednesday, October 19, 2022**.

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