

**Essex Region Conservation Authority
Notice of Study Update
Upper Little River Watershed Master Drainage and
Stormwater Management Plan**

Master Plan

The Essex Region Conservation Authority in conjunction with the City of Windsor and the Town of Tecumseh is completing a Master Drainage and Stormwater Management Plan for the Upper Little River Watershed (Master Plan). The intent of the Master Plan is to determine general stormwater management infrastructure requirements within the Upper Little River Watershed area to service existing and future development.

Master Plan Process and Approach

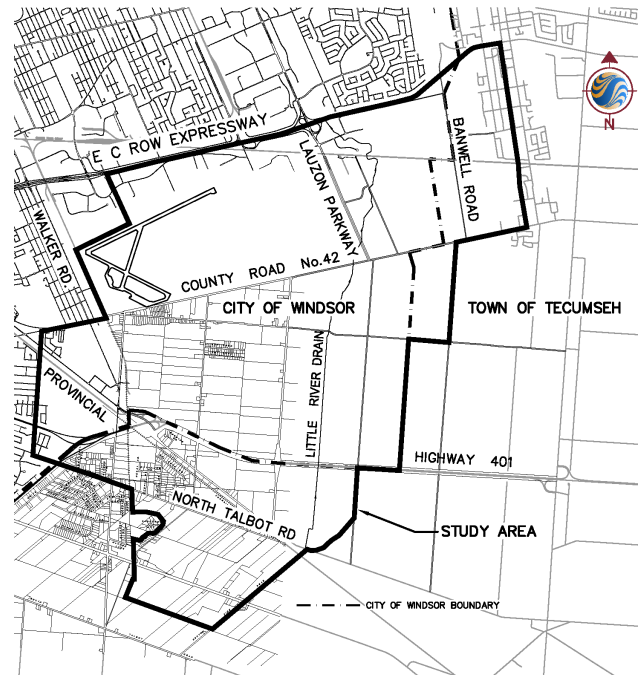
As described in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) document (Municipal Engineers Association, 2000, as amended), there are four approaches that may be followed to complete a Master Plan process. The Master Plan was originally undertaken following Approach #2 with a Notice of Study Completion filed in October 2017. However, due to the overall duration of the project and changes to the Class EA requirements over that time, the Master Plan was not finalized after the 30-day public review period. The Master Plan will now be completed following Approach #1, which is a broader level of assessment. This change in approach results in the requirement for additional detailed investigations at the project-specific level in order to fulfill Class EA requirements for specific Schedule B and Schedule C projects, which will be listed within this Master Plan. No changes have been made to alternatives considered or general Master Plan recommendations.

Next Steps

The project team is currently completing revisions to the Master Plan to address the change in approach and will be issuing a revised Notice of Completion in the fall of 2019. The notice will provide details regarding the timing of the minimum 30-day public review period for the revised Master Plan and the opportunity for bringing project concerns to the project team members below.

Please note that the revised Master Plan Approach #1 will not be subject to Part II Order (PIIO) requests to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. Future individual Schedule B and Schedule C projects identified within the Master Plan will be subject to further review and Class EA requirements, including PIIO requests.

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