

TOWNSHIP OF ASHFIELD-COLBORNE-WAWANOSH

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Introduction

On January 11th, 2023, the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh received its first municipal Stormwater Consolidated Linear Infrastructure Compliance Approval (CLI ECA). The new CLI ECAs replace the previous Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECAs) that the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks would issue for specific projects within stormwater collection systems. CLI ECAs are issued under the:

- Environmental Protection Act (EPA)
- Ontario Water Resources Act (OWRA)

These CLI ECAs are a single approval for all stormwater management systems and include conditions to authorize municipalities and prescribed persons, such as developers, to make changes to the stormwater management system when the specific requirements of the CLI ECA are met. As part of the Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh's CLI ECA for stormwater management, the municipality is required to provide an annual report. This report covers the period from January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023 and is required to be submitted to the Ministry on or before April 30th and posted on the Townships website.

The Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh stormwater management system consists of approximately 5km of underground piping ranging in diameter from 250mm to 1050mm at various locations in the Township. Our systems also consist of the following:

- 1 Stormwater Storage Basin
- 2 Oil and Grit Separators

Report Requirements

Monitoring Data Summary & Trends

The Stormwater CLI ECA Section 4.0 requires the Township to implement a Monitoring Plan in accordance with the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks (MECP) guidance document within 24 months of when the MECP releases the guidance document. To date the MECP has yet to publish the guidance document.

Operational Challenges and Corrective Actions

Township staff complete routine maintenance as required.

Inspection Results

Township staff noted no issues during the annual inspection.

Alterations to the Stormwater Management System

Currently there are no planned alterations to the Stormwater Management System that pose a significant drinking water threat.

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Spills / Discharge Events

There were no reported spills or discharges during the reporting period.

Complaint Summary

The Public Works Department received no complaints related to the Stormwater system during the reporting period.

System Improvements

No alterations were made to the Stormwater system during the reporting period.

Update from Previous Action Items

This is the first annual report.