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# Alternatives to biosolids on farmland sought by Region

BY JENNIFER ENRIGHT

As development continues in the Region, Halton's department of planning and public works is looking closely at alternative methods of handling biosolids.

By early next year, the department hopes to have a study on biosolids completed and presented to Regional Council. Halton's Commissioner of Planning and Public Works, Peter Crockett, said at the moment the Region's biosolids recycling program is "heavily dependent on land application," but as more housing is developed in Halton, the amount of suitable farmland is diminishing. As well, biosolids can only be applied to farmland at certain times of the year, typically from May until September when there's less chance of rain which would allow runoff to occur and when the ground isn't frozen. "We have a narrow window from May to September."

Halton currently owns and operates seven wastewater treatment plants that cleanse sewage sludge, with the end product being known as

biosolids. Biosolids are an organic product, rich in nutrients, often used as agricultural fertilizer.

"We are currently looking at different technologies and processes to gain some insight into what options are available to us. In addition, we are talking to adjacent municipalities to learn more about their biosolids programs and to identify potential synergy opportunities."

Crockett said the Region hopes to share information with the cities of Toronto

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## Clark Somerville working to resolve Acton parking issue

By DONNA DANIELLI

The ability of shoppers to park in Acton has become a hot button issue recently. With the completion of a two million dollar construction project in downtown Acton, street parking was removed from Main Street, Mill Street and Willow Street. A property, purchased by the

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PHOTO BY JENNIFER ENRIGHT

Hugh Beaty, a veteran of the Second World War, stands in front of the cenotaph at Victoria Park in Milton. The name of Mary Paterson will be engraved on the cenotaph this month. Mary, who belonged to Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps, was killed in France during the First World War. Mr. Beaty, and other members of the Milton branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, wanted to pay tribute to Mary's contribution and that of other women who helped the war effort. See full story on page 16.

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