



OUR READERS WRITE

THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

Fill from 500 new homes should be enough for pond

Dear Editor:

In order to keep the pond debate alive I'd like to add some technical data to further refine my original letter about filling in the Mill Pond.

This is back-of-the-envelope math but it's probably close enough to the true figures.

The Mill Pond has a volume of 100,000 cubic yards. One possible source for the fill would be from the construction sites putting up the new Milton subdivisions.

If the average new house basement has a volume of 200 cubic yards, then the fill from 500 new homes ought to be enough to fill in the pond.

From what I've read of Milton's plan, there will be more than enough new basements to take the fill from.

Assuming the average dump truck has a capacity of 10 cubic yards, it will take 10,000 trips to fill in the pond. There are

two possible routes to get the fill to the pond.

One is to go up the old railroad track beside the Robertson plant. The other would be to go south from the railroad tracks along the old abandoned line at the west end of the pond.

Assuming two trips per hour for six months of the year it would take no more than 4 years to fill in the pond.

Contractors have a nearby source to get rid of the unwanted material from the new Milton subdivisions.

Since trucks wouldn't have to travel through the rest of Halton there would be less environmental damage to areas outside of Milton.

With a shorter trip the cost of transportation would be less. There would be added employment for the truckers required to make the 10,000 trips.

With less fuel consumed there would be

fewer pollutants released to the atmosphere.

The project could be achieved in a short time frame, thus reducing the possibility of cost overruns.

P. Casteels
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REGION OF HALTON

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

LANDSCAPE/STREETScape PLAN FOR
GUELPH LINE (REGIONAL ROAD NO. 1) RECONSTRUCTION
FROM 250 m NORTH OF NO. 10 SIDEROAD
TO 220 m NORTH OF 15 SIDEROAD (REGIONAL ROAD NO. 15)
TOWN OF MILTON
PR-0928B

Halton Region is proceeding with the reconstruction of Guelph Line to a two-lane roadway within the project limits in order to provide improvements to roadway geometry, sight distance, safety and pavement structure. In conjunction with this project, we are now completing the landscape/streetscape design plan and seek public input and comments on the plan prior to finalization.

A Public Information Centre will be held:

DATE: Thursday, August 31st, 2000
TIME: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Nassageweya Community Centre (Brookville Hall)
11264 Guelph Line, Milton

This Public Information Centre will be an informal meeting to provide interested members of the community with an opportunity to discuss and review with Regional staff, the proposed landscape/streetscape features for the Guelph Line within the project limits.

If you are unable to attend the Public Information Centre and wish to provide comments or receive further information about this project, please contact:

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