

Class Environmental Assessment to Address Outfall Capacity Limitations at the" Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plant



NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION

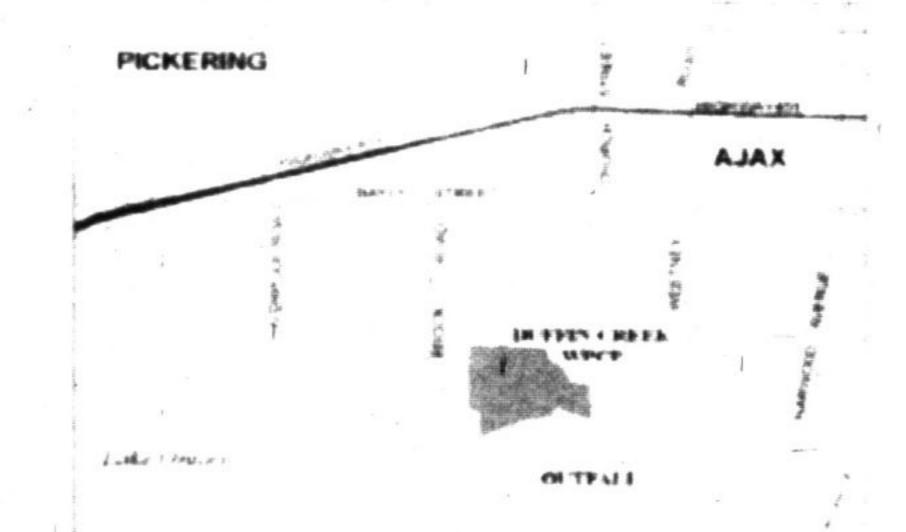
November 19, 2013

In December 2010, York and Durham Regions (the Regions) jointly initiated a Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) study to identify a preferred solution for addressing capacity limitations of the existing outfall. This study is now complete.

In 2012, the Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plant's (WPCP) treatment capacity was expanded from 420 million litres per day (MLD) to 630 MLD and upgraded to provide increased phosphorus and ammonia removal. Although the plant itself has a capacity of 630 MLD, the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) limited the current plant outfall capacity to 520 MLD due to mixing limitations with the water of Lake Ontario.

The preferred solution is to optimize existing operations and to modify the existing outfall with variable diffuser ports. Operation of the facilities will be adjusted as required to allow for enhanced phosphorus removal using iron salts and polymer to continue to meet the MOE-approved 311 kg/day loading limit. All 63 of the existing diffuser ports will be fitted with variable diffusers to improve effluent mixing. The Regions' plan is to implement the preferred solution prior to flows reaching 520 MLD. When flows approach 630 MLD another EA will be completed to identify a preferred strategy for meeting future wastewater needs beyond 630 MLD.

The study proceeded as a Schedule C project under the Municipal Engineers Association's (MEA) Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000 as amended), and satisfies the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. This Class EA included an extensive consultation process and evaluation of the impacts of the proposed project on the technical, natural, social/cultural/heritage, and financial aspects of the environment to determine the preferred solution. This Notice places the Environmental Study Report on the public record for review.



The Environmental Study Report, including supporting studies, is available for viewing from Tuesday, Nov. 19th, 2013 to Monday Feb. 17th, 2014 at:

> **Durham Region Headquarters** Clerk's Department 605 Rossland Road East Whitby, ON L1N 6A3

Ajax Town Hall 65 Harwood Avenue South Ajax, ON L1S 2H9

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The Environmental Study Report and supporting studies will also be available on the project website www.durham.ca/outfallEA

If concerns arise regarding this project which cannot be resolved in discussions with the Regions, a person/party may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act. A Part II Order can elevate the level of assessment for a project. Requests for a Part II Order must be received by the Ministry by Monday February 17, 2014 and can be submitted by a written request to the Minister at the following address:

The Honourable Jim Bradley Minister of the Environment

12th Floor, 135 St. Clair Avenue West Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5

Copies of Part II Order requests should also be sent to:

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If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 3840

your PLANNER

READ ALL ABOUT IT

St. Brigid Catholic School hosts parents from all Stouffville schools to its literacy night from 6:45 to 8 p.m. Author Ted

Staunton to speak. RSVP to marcluffsue@rogers.com

HIT THE ICE

The Stouffville Spirit

and Aurora Tigers meet in Ontario Junior Hockey League action at the Stouffville Arena at 7:30

FRIDAY

SOUNDS OF SCHOOLS

The 21st annual Student Music Scholarship Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. at Stouffville District Secondary School. Adult admission \$5. Call 905-640-3151.

BOYS' NIGHT

Springvale Boys hold their Celebration Concert, 7 p.m.

8 Great Years, at Springvale Church, Stouffville and Kennedy roads, at

TRAIN STOP

DECEMBER Stouffville's Volpe family presents its annual Whistle Stop Christmas Fair from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Markham. Train Station. Proceeds to Markham Stouffville Hospital.

PASS POPCORN, PLEASE

Tangled is tonight's youth movie at Nineteen on the Park at 5:30 p.m. Admission is food for the food bank. Call 905-640-1910.

SATURDAY

SANTA PARADE

The Stouffville Kinsmen Santa Claus Parade heads along Main Street starting at 2 p.m. For more information call 905-806-9058 or 905-591-1629

SUNDAY DECEMBER

MANIA CHRISTMAS

Music Mania presents its fifth annual Christmas show at Nineteen On the Park at 3 and 7 p.m.

SNOW TIME

The Bach to Blues Company's 14th annual Christmas concert Snowflakes and Christmas is on at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Anglican.

For more community events, visit yorkregion.com To add an event to this listing, e-mail Jim Mason at jmason@yrmg.com