

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION

Elgin Water Treatment Plant Residuals Management Facility Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

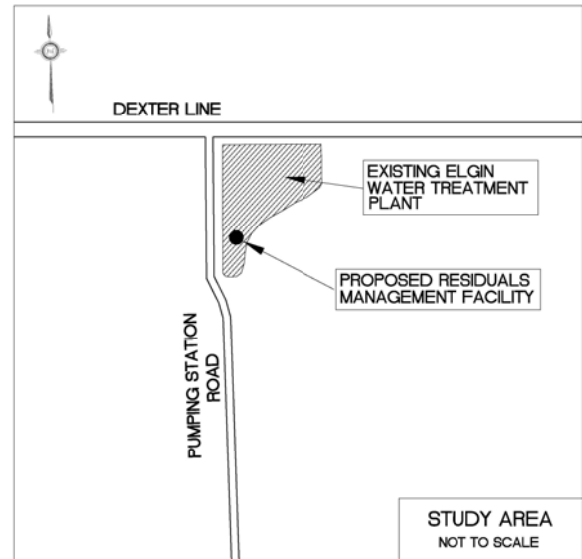
The Study

The Elgin Area Primary Water Supply System (EAPWSS), through their consultant AECOM, has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) study for the construction of a Residuals Management Facility (RMF) at the Elgin Water Treatment Plant (WTP) located at 43665 Dexter Line, Central Elgin, Ontario, approximately two kilometres east of the community of Port Stanley (see map).

At present, process wastewater generated from the treatment of raw Lake Erie water at the Elgin WTP is discharged back into Lake Erie as part of the WTP's normal operation. The new RMF will significantly improve how residuals are managed and improve WTP process water quality being sent to Lake Erie.

The Residuals Management Facility project is part of the HELP Clean Water initiative, a regional infrastructure project which will supply safe, clean drinking water to over 500,000 residents as well as various businesses in Southwestern Ontario for generations to come.

The total eligible cost of the HELP Clean Water initiative under the Building Canada Fund is \$150 million. The Governments of Canada and Ontario are each contributing up to \$50 million, with remaining costs the responsibility of the City of London, the Lake Huron Primary Water Supply System and the Elgin Area Primary Water Supply System.



The Process

The study was conducted in accordance with the requirements for a Schedule B project as described in the Municipal Engineers Association, Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000 as amended in 2007). The Municipal Class EA applies to public sector agencies that are undertaking common water, wastewater and road infrastructure projects. The Class EA process includes public and review agency consultation, an evaluation of alternatives, an assessment of the impacts of the proposed improvements, and identification of measures to mitigate any adverse impacts.

Project File

A Project File for the Elgin Water Treatment Plant Residuals Management Facility Class EA, which documents the Class EA planning and decision-making process has been prepared. By this notice, the Project File is being placed on public record for a 30-calendar day review period starting on **May 23, 2011** and ending on **June 23, 2011**. Copies of the Project File can be found at <http://www.watersupply.london.ca/ElginResidueMgmt.html>.

Hard copies of the Project File can also be found at the following locations during normal business hours (8:30am to 4:30 pm):

**Municipality of Central Elgin
(Elgin County Administration
Building), Administrative
Services**
450 Sunset Drive
St. Thomas, ON N5R 5V1

**Elgin Area Primary Water
Supply System**
235 North Centre Road,
Suite 200
London, Ontario N5X 4E7

Elgin Water Treatment Plant
43665 Dexter Line, RR 1
Union, Ontario N0L 2M0
(Offices are on the 2nd Floor)

Comments

If you have any questions/comments or require further information, please contact either the Elgin Area Primary Water Supply System or AECOM at the addresses above. During the 30-day review period, anyone who has outstanding concerns with the project that cannot be resolved in discussion with the EAPWSS may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the *Environmental Assessment Act* (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual environmental assessments. Requests must be submitted to the Minister of the Environment at the following address by **June 23, 2011**:

- **Mr. John Wilkinson, Minister of the Environment**, Ministry of the Environment – 77 Wellesley Street West, 11th Floor, Ferguson Block Toronto Ontario, M7A 2T5

A copy of the Part II Order request must also be sent to:

- **Mr. Brian Lima, P.Eng, Capital Projects Manager**, Lake Huron & Elgin Area Primary Water Supply Systems c/o City of London Regional Water Supply Division, Tel: 519.930.3505, Fax: 519.474.0451, Email: blima@london.ca; and
- **Mr. John D. Armistead, P.Eng, Senior Project Manager**, AECOM, Citi Plaza 250 York Street, Suite 410, London Ontario N6A 6K2, Tel: 519-963-5860, Fax: 519-317-0072, Email: john.armistead@aecom.com

Comments and information regarding this project are being collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* for the purpose of meeting environmental assessment requirements.