

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 1948-DQ2QFU

Issue Date: January 26, 2026

TRISTONE AGGREGATES INC.
22381 Hoskins Line
Rodney, Ontario
N0L 2C0

Site Location: Cartwright Pit
40581 Winthrop Road, Londesborough
Municipality of Central Huron, County of Huron

You have applied under section 20.2 of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 19 (Environmental Protection Act) for approval of:

upgrades to the existing Works for the collection, transmission, treatment and reuse of up to 9,091 L/min of wash water from aggregate washing operations located within the existing Cartwright Pit located at 40581 Winthrop Road, Londesborough, Municipality of Central Huron, County of Huron, consisting of the following:

- one (1) appropriately sized expanded settling pond located on the pit floor, initially located south-east of the existing water-taking source pond and periodically relocated as extraction operations advance, receiving wash water from the aggregate washing facility, consisting of two (2) cells/settling ponds (Settling Pond 1 (Pond 1) and Settling Pond 2 (Pond 2)) connected in series, separated by an approximately 1 m wide berm complete with a 300 mm diameter interconnecting HDPE culvert, having a total maximum land area of approximately 13,661 m² (1.37 ha) and a total minimum volume of approximately 1,949 m³, the Settling Pond 2 (Pond 2) discharging via a 300 mm diameter outlet pipe to the existing water-taking source pond;
- one (1) existing water-taking source pond located UTM Zone 17, Easting 462739, Northing 4834894 and periodically expanded as extraction operations advance, receiving effluent from the Settling Pond 2 (Pond 2);

all other controls, electrical equipment, instrumentation, piping, valves and appurtenances essential for the proper operation of the aforementioned Works;

all in accordance with the supporting documents listed in Schedule A.

For the purpose of this environmental compliance approval, the following definitions apply:

1. "Approval" means this entire Approval document and any Schedules to it, including the application and Supporting Documentation;
2. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the Owen Sound District Office of the Ministry;
3. "Director" means a person appointed by the Minister pursuant to section 5 of the EPA for the purposes of Part II.1 of the EPA;
4. "EPA" means the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19, as amended;
5. "Ministry" means the ministry of the government of Ontario responsible for the EPA and OWRA and includes all officials, employees or other persons acting on its behalf;
6. "Owner" means TRISTONE AGGREGATES INC., and its successors and assignees;
7. "OWRA" means the Ontario Water Resources Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40, as amended; and
8. "Works" means the sewage works described in the Owner's applications, this Approval and in the supporting documentation referred to herein, to the extent approved by this Approval.

You are hereby notified that this environmental compliance approval is issued to you subject to the terms and conditions outlined below:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Owner shall ensure that any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Works is notified of this Approval and the terms and conditions herein and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure any such person complies with the same.
2. The Owner shall design, construct, operate and maintain the Works in accordance with the conditions of this Approval.
3. Where there is a conflict between a provision of any document referred to in this Approval and the conditions of this Approval, the conditions in this Approval shall take precedence.

2. EXPIRY OF APPROVAL

1. This Approval will cease to apply to those parts of the Works which have not been constructed within five (5) years of the date of this Approval.
2. In the event that completion and commissioning of any portion of the Works is anticipated to be more than five (5) years, the Owner shall submit an application for extension at least twelve (12) months

prior to the end of the five (5) years from the day of issuance of this Approval. The application shall include the reason(s) for the delay, whether there is any design change(s) and a review of whether the standards applicable at the time of Approval of the Works are still applicable at the time of request for extension, to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment.

3. CHANGE OF OWNER

1. The Owner shall notify the District Manager and the Director, in writing, of any of the following changes within thirty (30) days of the change occurring:
 - a. change of address of Owner;
 - b. change of Owner, including address of new owner;
 - c. change of partners where the Owner is or at any time becomes a partnership, and a copy of the most recent declaration filed under the *Business Names Act* , R.S.O. 1990, c.B17 shall be included in the notification;
 - d. change of name of the corporation and a copy of the most current information filed under the *Corporations Information Act* , R.S.O. 1990, c. C39 shall be included in the notification.
2. In the event of any change in ownership of the Works, the Owner shall notify the succeeding owner in writing, of the existence of this Approval, and forward a copy of the notice to the District Manager.
3. The Owner shall ensure that all communications made pursuant to this condition refer to the number of this Approval.

4. RECORD DRAWINGS

1. Within three (3) months of the date of the expansion of the settling pond, a set of record drawings of the Works shall be prepared or updated. These drawings shall be kept up to date through revisions undertaken from time to time and a copy shall be readily accessible for reference at the location of the Works.

5. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

1. The Owner shall ensure that at all times, the Works and related equipment and appurtenances which are installed or used to achieve compliance with this Approval are properly operated and maintained. The Owner shall also ensure that all monitoring programs and maintenance schedules for the Works are complied with.
2. The Owner shall, upon identification of any spill, bypass or loss of any product, by-product, intermediate product, oil, fuel, solvent, waste material or any other polluting substance into the environment, take immediate action to prevent the further occurrence of such loss and prevent the

substance from entering the settling pond and the water-taking source pond.

3. In furtherance of, but without limiting the generality of, the obligation imposed by subsection 2, the Owner shall ensure that equipment and material for the containment, clean up and disposal of any spill, bypass or loss of any product, by product, intermediate product, oil, fuel, solvent, waste material or any other polluting substance are kept on hand and in good repair for immediate use in the event of:
 - a. any spill, bypass or loss of any product, by product, intermediate product, oil, fuel, solvent, waste material or any other polluting substance;
 - b. a spill within the meaning of Part X of the EPA; or
 - c. the identification of an abnormal amount of any product, by product, intermediate product, oil, fuel, solvent, waste material or any other polluting substance in any part of the Works.
4. The Owner shall ensure that the design minimum liquid retention volumes of the expanded settling pond are maintained at all times.
5. The Owner shall undertake monthly (once a month) visual inspections of the Works for potential spills, structural integrity, and accumulation of sediment in the expanded settling pond and undertake corrective measures, if necessary, to ensure continued suspended solids removal performance of the Works, with results recorded in a log book.
6. The Owner shall periodically measure the amount of sediment accumulating in the expanded settling pond and remove the sediment, if necessary, to ensure continued suspended solids removal performance of the expanded settling pond, with results recorded in a log book. No sediment shall be used on site for rehabilitation without complying with all applicable laws in place at the time of reuse.
7. The Owner shall maintain a logbook to record the results of these inspections and any cleaning and maintenance operations undertaken and shall keep the logbook at the site. The logbook shall include the following:
 - a. any spill, bypass or loss of any product, by product, intermediate product, oil, fuel, solvent, waste material or any other polluting substance;
 - b. the name of the Works;
 - c. the name of the individual who conducted each inspection;
 - d. the date and results of each inspection, description of maintenance and cleaning, including an estimate of the quantity of any materials removed and method of clean-out of the expanded settling pond; and
 - e. the date measurement of sediment was undertaken, the amount of sediment measured, if sediment

removal was undertaken and where any removed sediment was disposed.

8. The log book shall be retained at the site and be made available for Ministry inspection upon request.
9. The Owner shall prepare an operations manual prior to the introduction of wash water to the Works, that includes, but not necessarily limited to, the following information:
 - a. operating procedures for routine operation of the Works;
 - b. inspection programs, including frequency of inspection for the Works and the methods or tests employed to detect when maintenance is necessary;
 - c. repair and maintenance programs, including the frequency of repair and maintenance for the Works;
 - d. contingency plans and procedures for dealing with potential spill, bypasses and any other abnormal situations and for notifying the District Manager; and
 - e. complaint procedures for receiving and responding to public complaints.
10. The Owner shall maintain the operations manual up to date through revisions undertaken from time to time and retain a copy at the location of the Works. Upon request, the Owner shall make the manual available for inspection and copying by Ministry personnel.
11. The Owner shall retain for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of their creation, all records and information related to or resulting from the operation and maintenance activities required by this Approval.

6. SPILL CONTINGENCY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN

1. Within three (3) months of the date of this Approvals, the Owner shall implement a Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan that includes, but is not necessarily limited to, the following information:
 - a. the name, job title and location (address) of the Owner, person in charge, management or person(s) in control of the facility;
 - b. the name, job title and 24-hour telephone number of the person(s) responsible for activating the Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan;
 - c. a site plan drawn to scale showing the facility, nearby buildings, streets, drainage patterns, any receiving body(ies) of water that could potentially be significantly impacted and any features which need to be taken into account in terms of potential impacts on access and response (including physical obstructions and location of response and clean-up equipment);

- d. steps to be taken to report, contain, clean up and dispose of contaminants following a spill;
- e. a listing of telephone numbers for: local clean-up company(ies) who may be called upon to assist in responding to spills; local emergency responders including health institution(s); and Spills Action Centre 1-800-268-6060;
- f. Materials Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for each hazardous material which may be transported or stored within the area serviced by the Works;
- g. the means (internal corporate procedures) by which the Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan is activated and a description of the Trigger Mechanism(s);
- h. a description of the spill response and pollution prevention training provided to employees assigned to work in the area serviced by the Works, the date(s) on which the training was provided and by whom;
- i. an inventory of response and clean-up equipment available to implement the Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan, location and, date of maintenance/replacement if warranted; and
- j. the date on which the Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan was prepared and subsequently, amended.

2. The Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan shall be kept in a conspicuous, readily accessible location on-site.
3. The Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan shall be amended from time to time as required by changes in the operation of the facility.

7. REPORTING

1. The Owner shall, upon request, make all reports, manuals, plans, records, data, procedures and supporting documentation available to Ministry staff.
2. In addition to the obligations under Part X of the EPA and O. Reg. 675/98 (Classification and Exemption Of Spills and Reporting of Discharges), the Owner shall, within fifteen (15) days of the occurrence of any reportable spill as provided in Part X of the EPA and Ontario Regulation 675/98, submit a full written report of the occurrence to the District Manager describing the cause and discovery of the spill, clean-up and recovery measures taken, preventative measures to be taken and a schedule of implementation.

The reasons for the imposition of these terms and conditions are as follows:

1. Condition 1 is imposed to ensure that the Works are constructed and operated in the manner in which they were described and upon which Approval was granted. This condition is also imposed to emphasize the

precedence of conditions in the Approval and the practice that the Approval is based on the most current document, if several conflicting documents are submitted for review.

2. Condition 2 is included to ensure that the Works are constructed in a timely manner so that standards applicable at the time of Approval of the Works are still applicable at the time of construction, to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment.
3. Condition 3 is included to ensure that the Ministry records are kept accurate and current with respect to the approved Works and to ensure that subsequent owners of the Works are made aware of the Approval and continue to operate the Works in compliance with it.
4. Condition 4 is included to ensure that the Works are constructed in accordance with the Approval and that record drawings of the Works "as constructed" are maintained for future references.
5. Condition 5 is included to ensure that a comprehensive operations manual governing all significant areas of operation, maintenance and repair is prepared, implemented and kept up-to-date by the Owner and made available to the Ministry. Such a manual is an integral part of the operation of the Works. Its compilation and use should assist the Owner in staff training, in proper operations and in identifying and planning for contingencies during possible abnormal conditions. The manual will also act as a benchmark for Ministry staff when reviewing the Owner's operation of the Works. Condition 5 is also included to ensure that the Works will be operated and maintained in a manner enabling compliance with the terms and conditions of this Approval, such that the environment is protected and deterioration, loss, injury or damage to any person or property is minimized and/or prevented. Furthermore, condition 5 is included to ensure that accumulated sediment in the expanded settling pond is removed to maintain the intended sediment removal performance of the Works.
6. Condition 6 is included to ensure that the Owner will implement the Spill Contingency and Pollution Prevention Plan, such that the environment is protected and deterioration, loss, injury or damage to any person(s) or property is prevented.
7. Condition 7 is included to provide a performance record for future references, to ensure that the Ministry as well as the general public is made aware of problems as they arise, and to provide a compliance record for all the terms and conditions outlined in this Approval, so that the Ministry can work with the Owner in resolving any problems in a timely manner.

Schedule A forms part of this Approval and contains a list of supporting documentation/information received, reviewed and relied upon in the issuance of this Approval.

Schedule A

1. Application for Environmental Compliance Approval submitted by Andrew Pentney, P.Geo., Groundwater Science Corp., dated June 7, 2024 and received on June 10, 2024.
2. The design report titled "Design Brief, Tristone Aggregates – Wash Water Discharge, Project Location: 40851 Winthrop Road, Londesborough, ON, Prepared For: Tristone Aggregates Inc." dated October 4, 2024, and prepared by GRIT Engineering Inc.
3. All other information and documentation provided by TRISTONE AGGREGATES INC. and GRIT Engineering Inc.

In accordance with Section 139 of the *Environmental Protection Act*, you may by written notice served upon me, the Ontario Land Tribunal and in accordance with Section 47 of the *Environmental Bill of Rights*, 1993, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, within 15 days after receipt of this notice, require a hearing by the Tribunal. The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks will place notice of your appeal on the Environmental Registry. Section 142 of the *Environmental Protection Act* provides that the notice requiring the hearing ("the Notice") shall state:

- a. The portions of the environmental compliance approval or each term or condition in the environmental compliance approval in respect of which the hearing is required, and;
- b. The grounds on which you intend to rely at the hearing in relation to each portion appealed.

The Notice should also include:

1. The name of the appellant;
2. The address of the appellant;
3. The environmental compliance approval number;
4. The date of the environmental compliance approval;
5. The name of the Director, and;
6. The municipality or municipalities within which the project is to be engaged in.

And the Notice should be signed and dated by the appellant.

This Notice must be served upon:

Registrar*
Ontario Land Tribunal
655 Bay Street, Suite 1500
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 1E5
OLT.Registrar@ontario.ca

and

The Minister of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 2J3

and

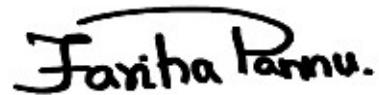
The Director appointed for the purposes of
Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*
Ministry of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M4V 1P5

* **Further information on the Ontario Land Tribunal's requirements for an appeal can be obtained directly from the Tribunal at: Tel: (416) 212-6349 or 1 (866) 448-2248, or www.olt.gov.on.ca**

This instrument is subject to Section 38 of the *Environmental Bill of Rights*, 1993, that allows residents of Ontario to seek leave to appeal the decision on this instrument. Residents of Ontario may seek leave to appeal within 15 days from the date this decision is placed on the Environmental Registry. By accessing the Environmental Registry at <https://ero.ontario.ca/>, you can determine when the leave to appeal period ends.

The above noted activity is approved under s.20.3 of Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*.

DATED AT TORONTO this 26th day of January, 2026



Fariha Pannu, P.Eng.

Director

appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the
Environmental Protection Act

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c: District Manager, MECP Owen Sound District Office
Andrew Pentney, P.Geo., Groundwater Science Corp.