

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

NUMBER 2753-DRRS43
Issue Date: March 19, 2026

Pedro Rodrigues operating as Greenway Advance Produce
2203 Canal Rd
Bradford West Gwillimbury, Ontario
L3Z 4E6

Site Location: 2203 Canal Road
2203 Canal Rd
Bradford West Gwillimbury Town, County of Simcoe

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:

the establishment of Works for the treatment of vegetable wash water and subsurface disposal of effluent via a treatment facility with a rated capacity of approximately 2,000 L/day, consisting of:

Existing Works

- an interior Wyma Vege-Polisher™ vegetable washer equipped with an infeed chute and a rotating drum with brushes and a water line;
- settling tanks to collect wash water and discharge to an exterior lagoon. One of the settling tanks is equipped with a sump pump to recycle wash water back to the infeed chute; and
- an exterior lagoon, consisting of four (4) cells, total dimensions of approximately 35 m long by 4 m wide and 2 m deep with a total storage volume of 280 m³, equipped with an outlet discharging subsurface via a perforated PVC pipe installed in a 2-3 m gravel trench.

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

all in accordance with the submitted supporting document listed in **Schedule A**.

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

1. "Approval" means this entire Environmental Compliance Approval and any Schedules attached to it;
2. "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;
3. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the appropriate local district office of the Ministry where the Works is geographically located;
4. "EPA" means the *Environmental Protection Act* , R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19;
5. "Existing Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that have been constructed previously;
6. "Final Effluent" means effluent that is discharged to the environment through the approved effluent disposal facilities;
7. "Grab Sample" or "Grab" means an individual sample of at least 1000 millilitres collected in an appropriate container at a randomly selected time over a period of time not exceeding 15 minutes;
8. "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;
9. "Owner" means Pedro Rodrigues operating as Greenway Advance Produce, including any successors and assignees;
10. "OWRA" means the *Ontario Water Resources Act* , R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40;
11. "Rated Capacity" means the Annual Average Daily Influent Flow for which the Sewage Treatment Plant is designed to handle;
12. "Works" means the Works described above and approved herein being defined in the OWRA as sewage works.

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. CHANGE OF OWNER

1. The Owner shall notify the District Manager and the Director, in writing, of any of the following changes **within 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. B.17* 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. C.39* shall be included in the notification.
2. In the event of any change in ownership of the Works, other than a change to a successor municipality, the Owner shall notify in writing the succeeding owner of the existence of this Approval, and a copy of such notice shall be forwarded to the District Manager and the Director.
3. The Owner shall ensure that all communications made pursuant to this condition refer to the number of this Approval.

3. CHANGES IN PROCESSES OR PROCESS MATERIALS

1. The Owner shall give written notice to the District Manager of any plans to change the processes or process materials in the Owner's enterprise serviced by the Works where the change may significantly alter the quantity or quality of the influent to or effluent from the Works, and no such change(s) shall be made unless with the written concurrence or approval of the District Manager.

4. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

1. The Owner shall ensure that, at all times, the Works and the related equipment and appurtenances used to achieve compliance with this Approval are properly operated and maintained. Proper operation and maintenance shall include effective performance, adequate staffing and training, including training in all procedures and other requirements of this Approval and the OWRA and relevant regulations made under the OWRA, process controls and alarms and the use of process chemicals and other substances used in the Works.
2. The Owner shall prepare an operations manual within **six (6) months** of issuance of the Approval, that includes, but is not necessarily limited to, the following information:
 - a. operating procedures for routine operation of all 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. copies of maintenance contracts for any routine inspections for all the tanks and treatment units;
 - e. procedures for the inspection and calibration of monitoring equipment;
 - f. a spill prevention control and countermeasures plan, consisting of contingency plans and procedures for dealing with equipment breakdowns, potential spills and any other abnormal situations, including notification of the Spills Action Centre and District Manager; and
 - g. procedures for receiving, responding and recording public complaints, including recording any follow-up actions taken.
3. The Owner shall maintain an up to date operations manual and make the manual readily accessible for reference at the Works for the operational life of the Works. Upon request, the Owner shall make the manual available to Ministry staff.

4. The Owner shall ensure that the operation's personnel possess the level of training and experience sufficient to allow safe and environmentally sound operation of the Works.
5. The Owner shall maintain a logbook to record the results of all inspections, repair and maintenance undertaken, calibrations, monitoring and spill response or contingency measures undertaken and shall make the logbook available for inspection by Ministry staff. The logbook shall include the following:
 - a. the name of the operator making the entry; and
 - b. the date and results of each inspection, repair, maintenance, calibration, monitoring, spill response and contingency measure.
6. The Owner shall remove accumulated solids in the lagoon as needed. Accumulated solids may be spread on the fields in accordance with agricultural best management practices and applicable regulations.

5. MONITORING AND RECORDING

1. All samples and measurements taken for the purposes of this Approval are to be taken at a time and in a location characteristic of the quality and quantity of the effluent stream over the time period being monitored.
2. Samples shall be collected at the sampling point(s), at the sampling frequencies and using the sample type specified for each parameter listed in **Schedule B**.
3. The methods and protocols for sampling, analysis, and recording shall conform, in order of precedence, to the methods and protocols specified in the following:
 - a. the Ministry's publication "Protocol for the Sampling and Analysis of Industrial/ Municipal Wastewater Version 2.0" (January 2016), PIBS 2724e02, as amended from time to time by more recently published editions; and
 - b. the publication "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" (21st edition), as amended from time to time by more recently published editions.
4. The measurement frequencies specified in subsection (2) in respect of any parameter are minimum requirements which may, after two (2) years of monitoring in accordance with this condition, be modified by the District Manager in writing from time to time.
5. A continuous flow measuring device(s) shall be installed and maintained to measure the flowrate of the effluent from the Works, with an accuracy to within plus or minus 10% per cent of the actual flowrate for the entire design range of the flow measuring device and the Owner shall measure, record and calculate the flowrate for each effluent stream on each day of sampling.

6. 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 monitoring activities required by this Approval.

6. REPORTING

1. 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) made under the EPA, the Owner shall, within **fifteen (15) days** of the occurrence of any reportable spill as provided in Part X of the EPA and O. Reg. 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.
2. The Owner shall, upon request, make all manuals, plans, records, data, procedures and supporting documentation available to Ministry staff.
3. The Owner shall prepare, and submit upon request, a performance report to the District Manager on an annual basis by March 31 of each calendar year. The reports shall contain, but shall not be limited to, the following information:
 - a. a summary and interpretation of all monitoring data;
 - b. an evaluation of any off-site environmental impact including need for effluent limits;
 - c. a description of any operating problems encountered and corrective actions taken at all Works located at the property;
 - d. a summary of all maintenance carried out on any major structure, equipment, apparatus, mechanism or thing forming part of the Works;
 - e. a summary of any effluent quality assurance or control measures undertaken in the reporting period;
 - f. a summary of the calibration and maintenance carried out on all monitoring equipment to ensure that the accuracy is within the tolerance of that equipment as required in this Approval or recommended by the manufacturer;
 - g. a summary of any complaints received during the reporting period and any steps taken to address the complaints;
 - h. a summary of all spill or abnormal discharge events;
 - i. any other information the District Manager requires from time to time.

Schedule A

1. Application for Environmental Compliance Approval submitted and signed by Pedro Rodrigues, Owner of Greenway Advance Produce, received on June 11, 2024, including design report, final plans and specifications.

Schedule B

Final Effluent Monitoring - sampling location at the outlet of the lagoon

Parameters	Sample Type	Minimum Frequency
Total Ammonia Nitrogen	Grab	Once a year during peak use
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	Grab	Once a year during peak use
Nitrate as Nitrogen	Grab	Once a year during peak use
Nitrite as Nitrogen	Grab	Once a year during peak use
pH	Grab/Probe/Analyzer	Once a year during peak use

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

1. Condition 1 regarding general provisions 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.
2. Condition 2 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.
3. Condition 3 is included to ensure that the Works is operated in accordance with the information submitted by the owner relating to the process and materials which are served by the Works, and to ensure that any contemplated changes in them which could potentially affect the characteristics of effluent from the Works will be properly reviewed and approved.
4. Condition 4 regarding operation and maintenance is included to require that the Works be properly operated, maintained, funded, staffed and equipped such that the environment is protected and deterioration, loss, injury or damage to any person or property is prevented. As well, the inclusion of a comprehensive operations manual governing all significant areas of operation, maintenance and repair is prepared, implemented and kept up-to-date by the Owner. 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 plant operation 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.
5. Condition 5 regarding monitoring and recording is included to enable the Owner to evaluate performance of the Works, and evaluate the data to determine if effluent criteria (objectives and limits are to be established for the protection of the environment.
6. Condition 6 is included to provide a performance record for future references, to ensure that the Ministry 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.

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

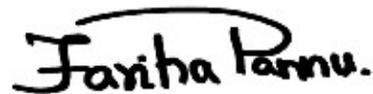
The Director appointed for the purposes of
Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*
Ministry of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M4V 1P5

* **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 19th day of March, 2026



Fariha Pannu, P.Eng.

Director

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

MK/

c: District Manager, MECP Barrie
Katherina Rentsch, C.F. Crozier & Associates Inc.