

AMENDED ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL

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Toronto, Ontario
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Site Location: Riverbend Park
4838 Pioneer Trail
Township of Puslinch, County of Wellington
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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:

establishment, alteration, usage and operation of new Proposed and Existing sanitary Sewage Works, located at Riverbend Park, 4838 Pioneer Trail, Township of Puslinch, designed for sewage treatment and disposal of a Average Daily Flow of 72,400 L/d for Sewage Works No. 1 with surface water discharge to Speed River, and a Maximum Daily Flow of 1,600 L/d for the Sewage Works No. 2 with the subsurface disposal, serving the following facilities;

Facilities served by Sewage Works No. 1

- 168 seasonal camping sites (Park Model Units with CSA-Z241 classification)
- Administrative Building (site office)
- Washroom Building with two washrooms
- Recreation Hall with two washrooms
- Maintenance Facility with one washroom
- Swimming Pool

Facilities served by Sewage Works No. 2

- Manager's Residence

comprising;

PROPOSED WORKS - SEWAGE WORKS NO. 1

decommissioning of Existing Sewage Works and replacement with treatment works located at the south east end of the site, serving 168 seasonal camping sites, and an onsite office, designed for a combined domestic sanitary sewage with a Average Daily Flow of 72,400 L/day, discharging ultimately to Speed River, comprising;

Flow Equalization (Tanks EQT1 AND EQT2)

Two (2) Proposed Equalization Tanks, each having a volume of 29,200 L, interconnected hydraulically, with a combined hydraulic retention time of 18 hours, equipped with duplex submersible sewage pumps, each rated at 2.5 L/s under a TDH of 4 m, complete with two (2) level floats, isolation and check valves, discharging effluent at a Maximum Balanced Flow Rate of **3.02 m³/hour** to the Primary Sludge Storage Tank (SS1);

PRIMARY TREATMENT

Sludge Storage / Primary Clarification Tank (Tanks SS1 and PC)

Two (2) Sludge Storage Tanks SS1 and PC, connected in series, with Tank SS1 having a volume of 57,800 L, designed to provide sludge settling through an overall combined hydraulic retention time of 9.6 hours, receiving effluent from Equalization Tank EQT2, and discharging by gravity to the Primary Clarifier Tank PC that has a storage volume of 13,300 L and designed with a hydraulic retention time of 2.2 hours, to provide additional settling and conditioning of the wastewater including a nominal level of pre-anoxic denitrification for process stabilization, ultimately discharging via gravity to Bioreactor Tank BR1;

SECONDARY TREATMENT

Moving Bed Bioreactor (MBBR) Bioreactor 1 and Bioreactor 2 (BR1 and BR2) and Secondary Clarifier;

Secondary Treatment Bioreactors (Tanks BR1 AND BR2)

two (2) proposed MBBR Aerobic Bioreactors BR1 and BR2, connected in series, located downstream of the Primary Clarifier, having a working volume of 29,200 Litres and 28,400 L respectively, designed with a minimum combined hydraulic retention time of 9.5 hour, containing 24.4 m³ of specially designed plastic media with a surface area of 500 m²/m³, with oxygen supplied by two (2) regenerative air compressors, supplying oxygen at a minimum rate of 100 m³/hour at 30,200 N/m², and distributing through fine bubble diffusers, complete with a DO sensor integrated into the PLC control panel, and media retaining screens; BR2 discharging by gravity in to the Secondary Clarifier tank SC. In Bioreactor 2, one (1) recirculation pump returns a portion of the process mixed liquor flows to the Primary Sludge Storage Tank SS1; the process wastewater flowing by gravity into Floc Reactor Tank FR;

Secondary Phosphorus Removal (Enhanced Secondary Treatment)

One (1) Floc Reactor Tank FR, with a working volume of 2,200 L, designed to remove phosphorus, receiving effluent via gravity from Bioreactor 2 complete with a coagulant dosing pump dosing a calculated amount on a flow proportional basis and one (1) mixing assembly for mixing and ultimately causing sludge settling in the Secondary Clarifier (Tank SC) and is pumped to the offline Secondary Sludge Storage Tank (Tank SS2) via the sludge return pumps, the Process water flowing via gravity flows into Intermediate Pump Tank IPT;

Intermediate Pump Tank (Tank IPT)

One (1) Intermediate Pump Tank, with a working volume of 21,800 L, receiving effluent via gravity from the Secondary Clarifier Tank SC, complete with duplex pumps pumping effluent to the tertiary filtration system;

TERTIARY TREATMENT (Tertiary Filtration)

A Tertiary Filtration system comprising of three (3) filter units, arranged in parallel, each unit rated at 41.7 L/min, complete with one (1) static mixer, one (1) chemical dosing pump, two (2) backwash pumps located in the Effluent Pump Tank EPT, having a minimum additional storage volume of 3,500 L, is sized to provide sufficient additional storage volume to backwash all filters in sequence using filtered effluent; the tertiary filtration system discharging treated effluent through a flow meter to the disinfection system;

DISINFECTION

A UV disinfection system comprising of two (2) UV disinfection units arranged in parallel (one duty and one standby), each rated for 64 L/min at a UV dosage of 40 mJ/cm², discharging the treated effluent to the Effluent Pump Tank EPT;

Final Effluent Pump Tank (EPT)

one (1) Final Effluent Pump Tank EPT with a working volume of 22,700 L, complete with duplex (2) filter backwash pumps and duplex (2) effluent pumps rated at 220 L/min at 7.8 m TDH discharging treated Final Effluent via a 63mm (2 ½ ") diameter forcemain, to an outfall structure located inside a culvert that ultimately outlets to the Speed River;

Secondary (offline) Sludge Storage (Tank SS2)

One (1) offline Secondary Sludge Storage Tank SS2, receiving sludge from the Secondary Clarifier SC and the Tertiary Filter backwash, having a working volume of 22,700 L, discharging supernatant via gravity to the start of the treatment system at the Primary Sludge Storage tank (Tank SS1);

EXISTING WORKS - SEWAGE WORKS NO. 2

One (1) Existing Class IV system, comprised of one (1) in-ground Absorption Trench Leaching Bed, located west of the residence, designed for a Maximum Daily Flow of 1,600 L/day, receiving sanitary sewage flow from Manager's Residence, comprising 121.9 m of distribution pipe, and one (1) 4,000 L (900 imp Gallon) Septic Tank;

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

all in accordance with the Schedule A.

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

1. "Annual Average Daily Influent Flow" means the cumulative total sewage flow of Influent to the Sewage Treatment Plant during a calendar year divided by the number of days during which sewage was flowing to the Sewage Treatment Plant that year;"
2. "Approval" means this entire document and any schedules attached to it, and the application;
3. "BOD5" (also known as TBOD₅) means five day biochemical oxygen demand measured in an unfiltered sample and includes carbonaceous and nitrogenous oxygen demand;
4. "CBOD5" means five day carbonaceous (nitrification inhibited) biochemical oxygen demand measured in an unfiltered sample;
5. "Commissioned" means the construction is complete and the system has been tested, inspected, and is ready for operation consistent with the design intent;
6. "Director" means a person appointed by the Minister pursuant to Section 5 of the EPA for the purposes of Part II.I of the EPA;
7. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the appropriate local district office of the Ministry where the Works is geographically located;
8. "E. coli" refers to coliform bacteria that possess the enzyme beta-glucuronidase and are capable of cleaving a fluorogenic or chromogenic substrate with the corresponding release of a fluorogen or chromogen, that produces fluorescence under long wavelength (366 nm) UV light, or color development, respectively. Enumeration methods include tube, membrane filter, or multi-well procedures. Depending on the method selected, incubation temperatures include 35.5 + 0.5 °C or 44.5 + 0.2 °C (to enumerate thermotolerant species). Depending on the procedure used, data are reported as either colony forming units (CFU) per 100 mL (for membrane filtration methods) or as most probable number (MPN) per 100 mL (for tube or multi-well methods);

9. "EPA" means the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19, as amended;
10. "Existing Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that have been constructed previously;
11. "Final Effluent" means effluent that is discharged to the environment through the approved effluent disposal facilities, that are required to meet the compliance limits at the Final Effluent sampling point(s);
12. "Grab Sample" 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;
13. "Influent" means flows to the Sewage Works from the collection system;
14. "Licensed Engineering Practitioner" means a person who holds a licence, limited licence or temporary licence under the *Professional Engineers Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.28;
15. "Limited Operational Flexibility" (LOF) means the conditions that the Owner shall follow in order to undertake any modification that is pre-authorized as part of this Approval;
16. "Maximum Daily Flow" means the largest volume of flow to be received during a one-day period for which the Works is designed to handle;
17. "Monthly Average Effluent Concentration" is the mean of all Single Sample Results of the concentration of a contaminant in the Final Effluent sampled or measured during a calendar month;
18. "Normal Operating Condition" means the condition when all unit process(es), in a treatment train is operating within its Design Capacity;
19. "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;
20. "OBC" means the Ontario Building Code, Ontario Regulation 163/24 (Building Code) as amended to January 1, 2025, made under the *Building Code Act*, 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 23;
21. "Owner" means Riverbend Park Inc., and its successors and assignees;
22. "OWRA" means the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40, as amended;
23. "Proposed Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that are under construction or to be constructed;

24. "Sewage Treatment Plant" means all the facilities related to sewage treatment within the sewage treatment plant site excluding the Final Effluent disposal facilities;
25. "Works" means the approved sewage works, and includes Proposed Works and Existing 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. 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 **six (6) 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, 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.

4. CONSTRUCTION

1. The Owner shall ensure that the construction of the Works is supervised by a Licensed Engineering Practitioner.
2. The Owner shall ensure that the Proposed Works are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation manual.
3. **One (1) week** prior to the commencement of the operation of the Proposed Works, the Owner shall notify the District Manager (in writing) of the pending start-up date.
4. Within **one (1) year** of completion of construction of the Proposed Works, a set of record drawings for all of the Proposed Works and Existing 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 Works.
5. Within **six (6) months** of the Works being Commissioned, the Owner shall prepare a statement, certified by a Licensed Engineering Practitioner, that the Works are constructed in accordance with this Approval, and upon request, shall make the written statement available for inspection by Ministry staff.
6. Within **six (6) months** of the Works being Commissioned, the Owner shall prepare a set of as-built drawings showing the Works "as constructed". "As-built" drawings shall be kept up to date through revisions undertaken from time to time and a copy shall be retained at the site for the operational life of the Works and shall be made available for inspection by Ministry staff.

5. FINAL EFFLUENT OBJECTIVES

1. The Owner shall design and undertake everything practicable to operate the Existing and Proposed Sewage Works in accordance with the following objectives:
 - a. Final Effluent parameter objectives listed in the table included in **Schedule B**.
 - b. Annual Average Daily Influent Flow is within the design capacity of the Sewage Works

6. FINAL EFFLUENT LIMITS

1. The Owner shall operate and maintain the Proposed Sewage Works such that compliance limits for the Final Effluent parameters listed in the table included in **Schedule C** are met.
2. The Owner shall ensure that the pH of the effluent from the Works is maintained within the range of 6.0 to 9.5 (inclusive) at all times.

7. MONITORING AND RECORDING

The Owner shall, upon commencement of operation of the Works, carry out a scheduled monitoring program of collecting samples at the required sampling points, at the frequency specified or higher, by means of the specified sample type and analyzed for each parameter listed in the tables under the monitoring program included in **Schedule D** and record all results, as follows:

- a. All all samples and measurements are to be taken at a time and in a location characteristic of the quality and quantity of the sewage stream over the time period being monitored.
 - b. definitions and preparation requirements for each sample type are included in document referenced in Paragraph 2.b.
1. The Owner shall employ measurement devices to accurately measure quantity of effluent being discharged to each individual subsurface disposal bed, including but not limited to water/wastewater flow meters, event counters, running time clocks, or electronically controlled dosing, and shall record the daily volume of effluent being discharged to the subsurface disposal bed.
 2. The methods and protocols for sampling, analysis and recording shall conform, in order of precedence, to the methods and protocols specified in the following documents and all analysis shall be conducted by a laboratory accredited to the ISO/IEC:17025 standard or as directed by the District Manager:
 - a. the Ministry's Procedure F-10-1, "Procedures for Sampling and Analysis Requirements for Municipal and Private Sewage Treatment Works (Liquid Waste Streams Only), as amended from time to time by more recently published editions;

- b. the Ministry's publication "Protocol for the Sampling and Analysis of Industrial/Municipal Wastewater Version 2.0" (January 2016), PIBS 2724e02, as amended; and
 - c. the publication "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater" (21st edition), as amended from time to time by more recently published editions.
 - d. for any parameters not mentioned in the documents referenced in Paragraphs 2.a, 2.b and 2.c, the written approval of the District Manager shall be obtained prior to sampling.
3. Samples shall be collected at the sampling point(s), at the sampling frequencies and using the sample type specified for each parameter listed in the Surface Water Monitoring Table included in **Schedule E**.
 4. The Owner shall monitor and record the flow rate and daily quantity using flow measuring devices or other methods of measurement as approved below calibrated to an accuracy within plus or minus 15 per cent (+/- 15%) of the actual flow rate of the following:
 - a. Influent flow to the Sewage Treatment Plant received from the collection system shall be monitored continuously by pump run times/pumping rates in Equalization Tank 2 (EQT2);
 - b. Final Effluent discharged from the Proposed Works by a continuous inline flow meter device;
 5. The Owner shall ensure that the flow of treated effluent discharged into the subsurface disposal bed (Sewage Works No. 2) does not exceed 1,600 litres per day.

8. 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/update the operations manual for the Works within six (6) months of completion of construction of the Proposed Works, that includes, but not necessarily limited to, the following information::
 - a. operating procedures for the Works under Normal Operating Conditions;
 - b. inspection programs, including frequency of inspection, for all 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 all the Works; copies of maintenance contracts for any routine inspections and pump-outs should be included for all the tanks and treatment units;
 - d. procedures for the inspection and calibration of monitoring equipment;
 - e. 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 (SAC); and,
 - f. 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, upon completion of construction of Sewage Works No. 1, prepare and make available for inspection by Ministry staff, a maintenance agreement with the manufacturer for the treatment process/technology or its authorized agent. The maintenance agreement must be retained at the site and kept current for the operational life of the Works.
 5. The Owner shall ensure that all septic tanks are pumped out every 3-5 years or when the tank is 1/3 full of solids and the effluent filters are cleaned out at minimum once a year or more often if required.
 6. The Owner shall ensure that grass-cutting is maintained regularly over the subsurface disposal bed(s), and that adequate steps are taken to ensure that the area of the underground Works is protected from vehicle traffic.
 7. The Owner shall visually inspect the general area where Sewage Works No. 2 are located for break-out once every month during the operating season.
 8. In the event a break-out is observed from a subsurface disposal bed (Sewage Works No. 2), the Owner shall do the following:
 - a. sewage discharge to that subsurface disposal system shall be discontinued until such time that remedial actions are completed;
 - b. the incident shall be **immediately** reported verbally to the Spills Action Centre (SAC) at (416) 325-3000 or 1-800-268-6060;
 - c. submit a written report to the District Manager within **one (1) week** of the break-out;

- d. access to the break-out area shall be restricted until remedial actions are complete;
 - e. during the time remedial actions are taking place the sewage generated at Sewage Works No. 2 shall not be allowed to discharge to the environment; and,
 - f. sewage generated at Sewage Works No. 2 shall be safely collected and disposed of through a licensed waste hauler to an approved sewage disposal site.
9. The Owner shall employ for the overall operation of the Works a person who possesses the level of training and experience sufficient to allow safe and environmentally sound operation of the Works.
10. 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 measures taken.
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 operations and maintenance activities required by this Approval.

9. REPORTING

1. **One week** prior to the start up of the operation of the Works, the Owner shall notify the District Manager (in writing) of the pending start up date.
2. The Owner shall report to the District Manager orally **as soon as possible** any non-compliance with the compliance limits specified in subsection 2 of Condition 6, and in writing within **seven (7) days** of non-compliance.
3. 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.
4. The Owner shall, upon request, make all manuals, plans, records, data, procedures and supporting documentation available to Ministry staff.

5. The Owner shall prepare and submit a performance report, on an annual basis, within **ninety (90) days** following the end of each operational season to the District Manager. The first such report shall cover the first annual period following the commencement of operation of the Works and subsequent reports shall cover successive annual periods following thereafter. The reports shall contain, but shall not be limited to, the following information:
- a. a summary and interpretation of all Influent monitoring data, and a review of the historical trend of the sewage characteristics and flow rates;
 - b. a summary and interpretation of all flow data, balancing tank flow data, and results achieved in not exceeding the design capacity of the Sewage Works;
 - c. a summary and description of efforts made and results achieved in meeting the Effluent Objectives of Condition 5;
 - d. a summary and interpretation of all monitoring data and a comparison to the Effluent Limits (Condition 6) including an overview of the success and adequacy of the Works, and a contingency plan in the event of non-compliance with the effluent limits.
 - e. a review and assessment of the performance of the Works, including all treatment units and subsurface disposal beds;
 - f. a description of any operating problems encountered and corrective actions taken for all Works located at the property;
 - g. a record of all maintenance carried out on any major structure, equipment, apparatus, mechanism or thing forming part of all Works located at the property including but not limited to: records of maintenance inspections for the treatment system, records of septic tank effluent filters cleaning, records of septic tank pump-outs, records of sludge pump-outs accumulated from the treatment system, records of visual inspections of all subsurface disposal systems;
 - h. a summary of any effluent quality assurance or control measures undertaken in the reporting period;
 - i. a summary of any complaints received during the reporting period and any steps taken to address the complaints;
 - j. a summary of all spill or abnormal discharge events;
 - k. any other information the District Manager requires from time to time;

10. DECOMMISSIONING OF UN-USED WORKS

1. The Owner shall properly abandon any portion of unused existing Works, as directed below, and upon completion of decommissioning, report in writing to the District Manager:
 - a. any sewage pipes leading from building structures to unused Works components shall be disconnected and capped;
 - b. any unused septic tanks, holding tanks and pump chambers shall be completely emptied of its content by a licensed hauler and either be removed, crushed and backfilled, or be filled with granular material;
 - c. if the area of the existing leaching bed is going to be used for the purposes of construction of a replacement bed or other structure, all distribution pipes and surrounding material must be removed by a licensed hauler and disposed off site at an approved waste disposal site; otherwise the existing leaching bed may be abandoned in place after disconnecting, if there are no other plans to use the area for other purposes.

11. LIMITED OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY

1. The Owner may make pre-authorized modifications to the sewage pumping stations and Sewage Treatment Plant in Works in accordance with the document "Limited Operational Flexibility - Protocol for Pre-Authorized Modifications to Private Works" (Schedule F), as amended, subject to the following:
 - a. the modifications will not involve the addition of any new treatment process or the removal of an existing treatment process, including chemical systems, from the liquid or solids treatment trains as originally designed and approved.
 - b. the scope and technical aspects of the modifications are in line with those delineated in Schedule F and conform with the Ministry's publication "Design Guidelines for Sewage Works 2008", as amended, Ministry's regulations, policies, guidelines, and industry engineering standards;
 - c. the modifications shall not negatively impact on the performance of any process or equipment in the Works or result in deterioration in the Final Effluent quality;
 - d. where the pre-authorized modification requires notification, a "Notice of Modifications to Sewage Works" (Schedule F), as amended shall be completed with declarations from a Licensed Engineering Practitioner and the Owner and retained on-site prior to the scheduled implementation date. All supporting information including technical memorandum, engineering plans and specifications, as applicable and appropriate to support the declarations that the modifications conform with LOF shall remain on-site for future inspection.

2. -authorized under Limited Operational Flexibility:

- a. Modifications that involve addition or extension of process structures, tankages or channels;
- b. Modifications that involve relocation of the Final Effluent outfall or any other discharge location or that may require reassessment of the impact to the receiver or environment;
- c. Modifications that involve addition of or change in technology of a treatment process or that may involve reassessment of the treatment train process design;
- d. Modifications that require changes to be made to the emergency response, spill prevention and contingency plan; or
- e. Modifications that are required pursuant to an order issued by the Ministry.

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

- 1. Condition 1 is added to ensure that the Works are built and operated in the manner in which they were described for review and upon which approval was granted. This condition is also included 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. The condition also advises the Owners their responsibility to notify any person they authorized to carry out work pursuant to this Approval the existence of this Approval.
- 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 regarding construction of Proposed Works/record drawings 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, and that prior to the commencement of construction of the portion of the Works that are approved in principle only, the Director will have the opportunity to review detailed design drawings, specifications and an engineer's report containing detailed design calculations for that portion of the Works, to determine capability to comply with the Ministry's requirements stipulated in the terms and conditions of the Approval, and also ensure that the Works are constructed in accordance with the Approval and that record drawings of the Works "as constructed" are updated and maintained for future references.

5. Condition 5 is added to establish non-enforceable Design Capacity objective which the Owner is obligated to use best efforts to strive towards on an ongoing basis.
6. Condition 6 regarding compliance limits is imposed to ensure that the Final Effluent discharged from the Works to the environment meets the Ministry's effluent quality requirements.
7. Condition 7 regarding monitoring and recording is included to enable the Owner to evaluate and demonstrate the performance of the Works, on a continual basis, so that the Works are properly operated and maintained at a level which is consistent with the design objectives and compliance limits.
8. Condition 8 is included to require that the Works be properly operated, maintained, 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 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 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.
9. Condition 9 is included to enable the Owner to evaluate and demonstrate the performance of the Works, on a continual basis, so that the Works are properly operated and maintained at a level which is consistent with the design objectives and effluent limits specified in the Approval and that the Works does not cause any impairment to the receiving watercourse.
10. Condition 10 is included to ensure that any components of un-used Works are properly decommissioned.
11. Condition 11 regarding Limited Operational Flexibility is included to ensure that the Works are constructed, maintained and operated in accordance with the Approval, and that any pre-approved modification will not negatively impact on the performance of the Works.

Schedule A

1. Application for Environmental Compliance Approval dated March 18, 2025 and received on March 18, 2025.

SCHEDULE B

FINAL EFFLUENT CONCENTRATING OBJECTIVES - SEWAGE WORKS NO. 1

Sampling Location: Final Effluent from the Final Effluent Pump Tank, before discharge to Speed River

Effluent Parameter	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration Objectives (milligrams per litre unless otherwise indicated)	
	Summer (May 01 to September 30)	Winter (October 01 to April 30)
CBOD5	10	10
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	10	10
Total Phosphorus (TP)	0.3	0.3
Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN)	2	4
E. coli.	100 CFU/100 millilitres*	100 CFU/100 millilitres*

* **Note:** E.coli. limit is for monthly Geometric Mean Density

* **Note:** If the MPN method is utilized for E. coli analysis the limit shall be 100 MPN/100 millilitres.

SCHEDULE C

FINAL EFFLUENT CONCENTRATING LIMITS - SEWAGE WORKS NO. 1

Sampling Location: Final Effluent from the Final Effluent Pump Tank, before discharge to Speed River

Effluent Parameter	Monthly Average Effluent Concentration Limits (milligrams per litre unless otherwise indicated)	
	Summer (May 01 to September 30)	Winter (October 01 to April 30)
CBOD5	15	15
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	15	15
Total Phosphorus (TP)	0.4	0.4
Total Ammonia Nitrogen (TAN)	3	5
E. coli.	200 CFU/100 millilitres*	200 CFU/100 millilitres*

* **Note:** E.coli. limit is for monthly Geometric Mean Density

* **Note:** If the MPN method is utilized for E. coli analysis the limit shall be 100 MPN/100 millilitres.

SCHEDULE D

MONITORING PROGRAM - SEWAGE WORKS NO. 1

INFLUENT MONITORING

Sample location	Equalization Tank EQT1
Frequency	Monthly
Sample Type	Grab
Parameters	BOD5, Total Suspended Solids, Total Phosphorus, Total Ammonia Nitrogen, Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen, pH

FINAL EFFLUENT MONITORING

Sample location	Effluent Pump Tank EPT
Frequency	Weekly
Sample Type	Grab
Parameters	CBOD5, Total Suspended Solids, Total Ammonia Nitrogen, Total Phosphorus, E. coli, pH, and Temperature

SCHEDULE E

SURFACE WATER (RECEIVER) MONITORING TABLE

Sample location(s)	25 m upstream and 25 m downstream of discharge location on east side of Speed River
Frequency	Spring (May), Summer (August) and Fall (October)
Sample Type	Grab
Parameters	BOD5, Total Suspended Solids, Total Phosphorus, Total Ammonia Nitrogen, Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen, pH, (Nitrate + Nitrite) Nitrogen, E. Coli, Temperature, Dissolved Oxygen

Schedule F

Limited Operational Flexibility

Protocol for Pre-Authorized Modifications to Works

1. General

1. Pre-authorized modifications are permitted only where Limited Operational Flexibility has already been granted in the Approval and only permitted to be made at the pumping stations and sewage treatment plant in the Works, subject to the conditions of the Approval.
2. Where there is a conflict between the types and scope of pre-authorized modifications listed in this document, and the Approval where Limited Operational Flexibility has been granted, the Approval shall take precedence.
3. The Owner shall consult the District Manager on any proposed modifications that may fall within the scope and intention of the Limited Operational Flexibility but is not listed explicitly or included as an example in this document.
4. The Owner shall ensure that any pre-authorized modifications will not:
 - a. adversely affect the hydraulic profile of the Sewage Treatment Plant or the performance of any upstream or downstream processes, both in terms of hydraulics and treatment performance;
 - b. result in new Overflow or Bypass locations, or any potential increase in frequency or quantity of Overflow(s) or Bypass(es).
 - c. result in a reduction in the required Peak Flow Rate of the treatment process or equipment as originally designed.

2. Modifications that do not require pre-authorization:

1. Works that are exempt from Ministry approval requirements;
2. Modifications to the electrical system, instrumentation and control system.

3. Pre-authorized modifications that do not require preparation of “Notice of Modification to Sewage Works”

1. Normal or emergency maintenance activities, such as repairs, renovations, refurbishments and replacements with Equivalent Equipment, or other improvements to an existing approved piece of equipment of a treatment process do not require pre-authorization. Examples of these activities are:
 - a. Repairing a piece of equipment and putting it back into operation, including replacement of minor components such as belts, gear boxes, seals, bearings;
 - b. Repairing a piece of equipment by replacing a major component of the equipment such as motor, with the same make and model or another with the same or very close power rating but the capacity of the pump or blower will still be essentially the same as originally designed and approved;
 - c. Replacing the entire piece of equipment with Equivalent Equipment.
2. Improvements to equipment efficiency or treatment process control do not require pre-authorization. Examples of these activities are:
 - a. Adding variable frequency drive to pumps;
 - b. Adding on-line analyzer, dissolved oxygen probe, ORP probe, flow measurement or other process control device.

4. Pre-Authorized Modifications that require preparation of “Notice of Modification to Sewage Works”

1. Pumping Stations
 - a. Replacement or realignment of existing sewers including manholes, valves, gates, weirs and associated appurtenances provided that the modifications will not add new influent source(s) or result in an increase in flow from existing sources as originally approved.
 - b. Extension or partition of wetwell to increase retention time for emergency response and improve station maintenance and pump operation;
 - c. Replacement or installation of inlet screens to the wetwell;
 - d. Replacement or installation of flowmeters;
 - e. Replacement, reconfiguration and modifications to pump suction and discharge piping including valve, gates, motors, variable frequency drives and associated appurtenances to maintain firm pumping capacity or modulate the pump rate provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm pumping capacity or discharge head or an increase in the peak pumping rate of the pumping station as originally designed;
 - f. Replacement or realignment of existing forcemain(s) including valves, gates, and associated appurtenances provided that the modifications will not reduce the flow capacity or increase the total

dynamic head and transient in the forcemain.

2. Sewage Treatment Plant

1. Sewers and appurtenances

- a. Replacement or realignment of existing sewers (including pipes and channels), including manholes, valves, gates, weirs and associated appurtenances within the sewage treatment plant, provided that the modifications will not add new influent source(s) or result in an increase in flow from existing sources as originally approved and that the modifications will remove hydraulic bottlenecks or improve the conveyance of sewage into and through the Works.

2. Flow Distribution Chambers/Splitters

- a. Replacement or modification of existing flow distribution chamber/splitters or construction of new flow distribution chamber/splitters, including replacements or installation of sluice gates, weirs, valves for distribution of flows to the downstream process trains, provided that the modifications will not result in a change in flow distribution ratio to the downstream process trains as originally designed.

3. Imported Sewage Receiving Facility

- a. Replacement or relocation of loading bays, connect/disconnect hook-up systems and unloading/transferring systems;
- b. Replacement or relocation of screens, grit removal units and compactors;
- c. Replacement or relocation of pumps, such as dosing pumps and transfer pumps, valves, piping and appurtenances;
- d. Replacement or relocation of storage tanks/chambers and spill containment systems;
- e. Replacement, relocation or installation of flow measurement and sampling equipment.

4. Preliminary Treatment System

- a. Replacement of existing screens and grit removal units with equipment of the same or higher process performance technology, including where necessary replacement or upgrading of existing screenings dewatering washing compactors, hydrocyclones, grit classifiers, grit pumps, air blowers conveyor system, disposal bins and other ancillary equipment to the screening and grit removal processes.
- b. Replacement of channel aeration systems, including air blowers, air supply main, air headers, air laterals, air distribution grids and diffusers.

5. Primary Treatment System

- a. Replacement of existing sludge removal mechanism, including sludge chamber;
- b. Replacement of scum removal mechanism, including scum chamber;
- c. Replacement of primary sludge pumps, scum pumps, provided that: the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm pumping capacity or discharge head that the primary sludge pump(s) and scum pump(s) are originally designed to handle.

6. Secondary Treatment System

1. Biological Treatment

- a. Conversion of complete mix aeration tank to plug-flow multi-pass aeration tank, including modifications to internal structural configuration;
- b. Addition of inlet gates in multi-pass aeration tank for step-feed operation mode;
- c. Partitioning of an anoxic/flip zone in the inlet of the aeration tank, including installation of submersible mixer(s);
- d. Replacement of aeration system including air blowers, air supply main, air headers, air laterals, air distribution grids and diffusers, provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm capacity or discharge pressure that the blowers are originally designed to supply or in the net oxygen transferred to the wastewater required for biological treatment as originally required.

2. Secondary Sedimentation

- a. Replacement of sludge removal mechanism, including sludge chamber;
- b. Replacement of scum removal mechanism, including scum chamber;
- c. Replacement of return activated sludge pump(s), waste activated sludge pump(s), scum pump(s), provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm pumping capacity or discharge head that the activated sludge pump(s) and scum pump(s) are originally designed to handle.

7. Post-Secondary Treatment System

- a. Replacement of filtration system with equipment of the same filtration technology, including feed pumps, backwash pumps, filter reject pumps, filtrate extract pumps, holding tanks associated with the pumping system, provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the capacity of

the filtration system as originally designed.

8. Disinfection System

1. UV Irradiation

- a. Replacement of UV irradiation system, provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the design capacity of the disinfection system or the radiation level as originally designed.

2. Chlorination/Dechlorination and Ozonation Systems

- a. Extension and reconfiguration of contact tank to increase retention time for effective disinfection and reduce dead zones and minimize short-circuiting;
- b. Replacement of chemical storage tanks, provided that the tanks are provided with effective spill containment.

9. Supplementary Treatment Systems

1. Chemical systems

- a. Replacement or relocation of chemical storage tanks for existing chemical systems only, provided that the tanks are sited with effective spill containment;
- b. Replacement of chemical dosing pumps provided that the modifications will not result in a reduction in the firm capacity that the dosing pumps are originally designed to handle.
- c. Relocation and addition of chemical dosing point(s) including chemical feed pipes and valves and controls, to improve phosphorus removal efficiency;
- d. Use of an alternate chemical provided that it is a non-proprietary product and is a commonly used alternative to the chemical approved in the Works, provided that the chemical storage tanks, chemical dosing pumps, feed pipes and controls are also upgraded, as necessary.

10. Sludge Management System

1. Sludge Holding and Thickening

- a. Replacement of sludge holding tanks, sludge handling pumps, such as transfer pumps, feed pumps, recirculation pumps, provided that modifications will not result in reduction in the solids storage or handling capacities;

2. Sludge Digestion

- a. Replacement of digesters, sludge handling pumps, such as transfer pumps, feed pumps, recirculation pumps, provided that modifications will not result in reduction in the solids storage or handling capacities;
- b. replacement of sludge digester covers.

3. Sludge Dewatering and Disposal

- a. Replacement of sludge dewatering equipment, sludge handling pumps, such as transfer pumps, feed pumps, cake pumps, loading pumps, provided that modifications will not result in reduction in solids storage or handling capacities.

11. Standby Power System

- 1. Replacement or installation of standby power system, including feed from alternate power grid, emergency power generator, fuel supply and storage systems, provided that the existing standby power generation capacity is not reduced.

12. Lagoons

- a. installing baffles in lagoon provided that the operating capacity of the lagoon system is not reduced;
- b. raise top elevation of lagoon berms to increase free-board;
- c. replace interconnecting pipes and chambers between cells, provided that the process design operating sequence is not changed;
- d. replace mechanical aerators, or replace mechanical aerators with diffused aeration system provided that the mixing and aeration capacity are not reduced;
- e. removal of accumulated sludge and disposal to an approved location offsite.

3. Final Effluent Disposal Facilities

- a. Replacement or realignment of the Final Effluent channel, sewer or forcemain, including manholes, valves and appurtenances from the end of the treatment train to the discharge outfall section, provided that the sewer conveys only effluent discharged from the Sewage Treatment Plant and that the replacement or re-aligned sewer has similar dimensions and performance criteria and is in the same or approximately the same location and that the hydraulic capacity will not be reduced.

This page contains an image of the form entitled "Notice of Modification to Sewage Works". A digital copy can be obtained from the District Manager.



Ministry of the
Environment,
Conservation and
Parks

Notice of Modification to Sewage Works

RETAIN COPY OF COMPLETED FORM AS PART OF THE ECA ON-SITE PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED IMPLEMENTATION DATE.

Part 1 – Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) with Limited Operational Flexibility

(Insert the ECA's owner, number and issuance date and notice number, which should start with "01" and consecutive numbers thereafter)

ECA Number	Issuance Date (mm/dd/yy)	Notice number (if applicable)
ECA Owner	Municipality	

Part 2: Description of the modifications as part of the Limited Operational Flexibility

(Attach a detailed description of the sewage works)

Description shall include:

1. A detail description of the modifications and/or operations to the sewage works (e.g. sewage work component, location, size, equipment type/model, material, process name, etc.)
2. Confirmation that the anticipated environmental effects are negligible.
3. List of updated versions of, or amendments to, all relevant technical documents that are affected by the modifications as applicable, i.e. submission of documentation is not required, but the listing of updated documents is (design brief, drawings, emergency plan, etc.)

Part 3 – Declaration by Professional Engineer

I hereby declare that I have verified the scope and technical aspects of this modification and confirm that the design:

1. Has been prepared or reviewed by a Professional Engineer who is licensed to practice in the Province of Ontario;
2. Has been designed in accordance with the Limited Operational Flexibility as described in the ECA;
3. Has been designed consistent with Ministry's Design Guidelines, adhering to engineering standards, industry's best management practices, and demonstrating ongoing compliance with s.53 of the Ontario Water Resources Act; and other appropriate regulations.

I hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief the information contained in this form is complete and accurate

Name (Print)	PEO License Number
Signature	Date (mm/dd/yy)
Name of Employer	

Part 4 – Declaration by Owner

I hereby declare that:

1. I am authorized by the Owner to complete this Declaration;
 2. The Owner consents to the modification; and
 3. This modifications to the sewage works are proposed in accordance with the Limited Operational Flexibility as described in the ECA.
4. The Owner has fulfilled all applicable requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*.

I hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief the information contained in this form is complete and accurate

Name of Owner Representative (Print)	Owner representative's title (Print)
Owner Representative's Signature	Date (mm/dd/yy)

**Upon issuance of the environmental compliance approval, I hereby revoke Approval No(s).
2180-56DHWV issued on January 17, 2002.**

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.

Pursuant to subsection 139(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act*, a hearing may not be required with respect to any terms and conditions in this environmental compliance approval, if the terms and conditions are substantially the same as those contained in an approval that is amended or revoked by this environmental compliance approval.

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

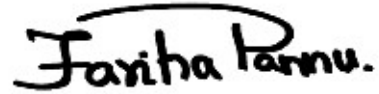
The Director appointed for the purposes of
Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*
Ministry of the Environment,
Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor
Toronto, Ontario
M4V 1P5

*** 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 18th day of June, 2026

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fariha Pannu." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping 'F' and a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Fariha Pannu, P.Eng.

Director

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

KH/

c: District Manager, MECP Guelph District.
Eric Gunnell, P. Eng., Gunnell Engineering Ltd.