

TABLE 1 – RESPONSE 1 - IAAC INFORMATION REQUEST

PROPONENT:	Town of Erin
PROJECT TITLE:	Proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant & Collection System
PROJECT LOCATION:	Village of Erin and Community of Hillsburgh
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The Environmental Study Report (ESR) for the Urban Centre Wastewater Servicing Class EA (October 2019) is cited throughout this response and can be retrieved from the Town of Erin website at https://wastewater.erin.ca/study_documents. The document is separated into 3 separate volumes.

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Overview	<p>The two urban areas within the Town (Village of Erin and Community of Hillsburgh) are among the largest urban areas in Ontario that are still serviced by private wastewater systems (septic systems). The lack of Municipal Wastewater Services severely limits the Town's ability to attract new development (both residential and employment) as the local Conservation Authority (Credit Valley Conservation) has indicated that they are not in favour of new development on private sewage systems due to the potential impact on local groundwater and the West Credit River which flows through the urban areas. This inability to have new residential and employment lands within the Town, means the Town is continually struggling to keep municipal taxes for existing residents at reasonable levels. In the last three years, over fifteen businesses have relocated out of Erin, which eliminated roughly 200 local jobs and a loss of approximately \$690,000 of combined municipal taxes, annually. This is while also driving the affordability of the houses within the Town up and, which means younger families are moving out of the Town to find more affordable homes in other communities and our schools are struggling to stay open.</p> <p>As such the Town has been working for many years to get full Municipal Wastewater Services to complement the existing water services in the urban areas, through the completion of the Servicing and Settlement Master Plan (SSMP) in Aug 2014 and subsequently the Urban Centre Wastewater Servicing Class EA in Aug 2019.</p> <p>In accordance with the Provincial requirements the Notice of Study Completion for the Urban Centre Wastewater Servicing Class EA was published on May 3, 2018 (see Appendix V of the ESR – Volume 3 of 3) in the local newspapers, on the Town website and sent to all members of the public and interested parties who had requested to be kept informed of the Class EA process. The publication and distribution of this Notice initiated the statutory 30-day Public Review Period, whereby members of the public or interested parties have an opportunity to review the complete "Draft" Environmental Study Report (ESR) and if they have any concerns request the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) to intervene and request that the Town of Erin be required to prepare an individual environmental assessment (EA) under the Environmental Assessment Act for the proposed Erin Urban Centre Wastewater Servicing project (otherwise known as a Request for a Part II Order). During this 30-day public review period three (3) Requests for Part II Orders were filled with the MECP (see Appendix W of the ESR – Volume 3 of 3), one of which was from Ms. Judy Mabee on behalf of the Belfountain Community Organization which is very similar to the current request to Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) to designate the proposed Erin Wastewater Treatment Plant Project under subsection 9(1) of the Impact Assessment Act. The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks reviewed the three requests in detail including asking the Town for a comprehensive response to the Requests for Part II Orders (see Appendix W of the ESR – Volume 3 of 3) and after carefully considering the requests for more than one year, Minister Jeff Yurek issued a decision rejecting the Requests on August 29, 2019 (see Appendix W of the ESR – Volume 3 of 3).</p> <p>Within the decision Minister Yurek specifically notes:</p>

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	<p><i>With this decision having been made, the Town can now proceed with the project, subject to any other permits or approvals required. The Town must ensure it implements the project in a manner that is developed and designed as set out in the project documentation, and inclusive of all mitigating measures and environmental other provisions therein.</i></p> <p>Therefore, subsequent to getting Minister Yurek’s approval to proceed with the implementation of the project, the Town proceeded, in the summer of 2020, to award a multi-million-dollar contract for Engineering Design of the Wastewater Treatment Plant which is currently under way. The design is being completed in full accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Study Report (ESR) which will utilize the industry’s best available treatment technology to meet the stringent effluent criteria that was set within the ESR, with the goal of protecting the existing environment including the West Credit River.</p> <p>Through the completion of ESR, that was approved by the necessary Provincial Agencies, the Town believes that the proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant will protect the environment, while also allowing for future growth to maintain the viability and sustainability of the Town for future generations. The Wastewater Treatment Plant is a key infrastructure project that is required for the sustainable growth of our community. Being able to welcome more residents and businesses means additional tax dollars to help the Town replace or maintain the infrastructure we rely on every single day.</p>
<p>Identify relevant sections of publically available information to focus the Agency’s review with regards to the project’s potential to cause:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> adverse effects to fish and fish habitat, migratory birds, species at risk, federal lands and lands outside Ontario or Canada 	<p>Report: Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Limited, 2018. Town of Erin Class EA – Natural Environment Report. Prepared for Ainley Group. April 23, 2018. 75pp + Appendices. The report can be located in Appendix H of the ESR (Volume 2 of 3).</p> <p>The Natural Environment Report details the background review, field investigations, and assessments undertaken as part of Class EA process and outlines the extent aquatic and terrestrial species (including fish, fish habitat, migratory birds and species at risk) may be impacted by the proposed works. The report systematically evaluates potential risks and recommends mitigation measures so the project can be completed with no significant adverse effects to the natural environment. Section 2 of the report provides a description of the approach, background review and field investigations undertaken as part of the study, Section 3 summarizes the results of the background review and field investigations, and Section 4 provides the impact assessment of the alternative design concepts on fish, fish habitat, migratory birds and species at risk and mitigation measures. Appendices A – D provide detailed results of the field investigations, and Appendix E provides responses to comments received by Credit Valley Conservation Authority, the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, and the Township of Wellington on the draft report.</p> <p>No impacts on federal lands or lands outside of Ontario or Canada were identified.</p> <p>Report: Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Limited, 2018. West Credit River Assimilative Capacity Study. Prepared for Ainley Group. April 20, 2018. 68pp + Appendices. The report can be located in Appendix D of the ESR (Volume 2 of 3)</p> <p>The study was completed following MECP’s published policies and guidelines¹, and in consultation with MECP and CVC, who reviewed and approved the work plan and final report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section 2.1 (pg. 4) of the report summarizes consultation with MECP and CVC during the project. Section 2.2 (pg. 4) of the report summarizes MECP’s policies followed for the ACS. Section 4.1 (pg. 31) of the report summarizes the background water quality data used for the water quality analyses and assessment. Sections 4.5 (pg. 46) and 4.7.2 (pg. 52) of the report predict that downstream un-ionized concentrations will stay within the Provincial Water Quality

¹ Ontario Ministry of Environment and Energy. 1994. Water management policies guidelines and water quality objectives of the Ministry of Environment and Energy, July 1994. ISBN 0-7778-8473-9 rev. and Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE). 1994b. Deriving receiving water based point source effluent requirements for Ontario waters. PIBS#3302 Procedure B-1-5

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	<p>Objective (PWQO) under low flow (7Q20²) river conditions when discharged at the maximum allowable effluent concentration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section 4.8 (pgs. 57- 62) of the report predicts that the mixing zone (area above PWQO) for un-ionized ammonia will be small (≤152 m long and occupy less than 40% of the river width) under 7Q20 river conditions and maximum allowable effluent concentration. • Section 4.8.1 (pg. 57) of the report determines that effluent will be non-acutely lethal at the point of discharge. • Section 4.6 (pg. 49) of the report provides the mass-balance modelling used to assess the impact of effluent chloride on downstream concentrations in the West Credit River. • Section 4.7.1 (pgs. 50 - 52) predicts downstream dissolved oxygen concentrations will stay within their PWQOs under low flow (7Q20) river conditions when discharged at the minimum³ allowable effluent concentration. • Section 5.0 (pgs. 63- 67) of the report provides a summary of the analyses undertaken for the ACS. Table 28 provides a table of the recommended effluent criteria (objectives and limits) for the WWTP. • Appendix I - West Credit River Freshwater Mussel Survey, Town of Erin Ontario (NSRI 2017). The memorandum provides the results of a mussel survey that was completed in the West Credit River in response to MECP's concerns regarding increased chloride concentrations in the WCR on species at risk (SAR) mussels. The survey found no SAR mussels within the surveyed reach, or review of background information for the West Credit River. Based on the investigation, the report concluded that the increase in chloride concentrations would not result in impacts to SAR mussels • Appendix J. Thermal Assessment of the Erin WWTP on the West Credit River (located in Appendix D of the ESR - Volume 2 of 3). A technical memorandum was produced to address Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks comments and assess the potential effect of WWTP effluent temperatures on fish and fish habitat in the West Credit River. The memorandum was included as Appendix J of the West Credit River Assimilative Capacity Study (HESL, 2018) and includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a review of temperature thresholds for Brook Trout (p. 2 – 5), - a description of the impact assessment approach (p. 5 – 6), - water quality modelling results (p. 6 – 9), - a discussion of the thermal impacts on fish and other species (p. 9 – 10) <p>The proposed location of the effluent outfall is located at 43°47'00.56" N and 80°02'05.53", directly up steam of the culvert crossing of Winston Churchill Boulevard.</p> <p>Both of these referenced reports were reviewed by MECP and CVC as part of their Ontario Water and Wastewater Class EA review process and as part of their agreement on the effluent limits for the treated wastewater discharge to the West Credit River.</p>
<p>Identify relevant sections of publically available information to focus the Agency's review with regards to the project's potential to cause:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adverse impacts, resulting from any change to the environment, on Indigenous peoples (including impacts to physical and cultural heritage; current use of lands and resources for traditional purposes; 	<p>A Cultural Heritage Resource Assessment: Built Heritage Resources and Cultural Heritage Landscapes – Existing Conditions Report was completed by ASI (April 2018) as part of the Class EA process. The report can be located in in Appendix J of the ESR (Volume 2 of 3)</p> <p>The report provides a desktop review of archival resources, historical mapping, and fieldwork investigations, and provides an overview of the existing conditions within the study area. The following passage was extracted from the report executive summary stating that no impacts are anticipated to the cultural heritage resources identified:</p>

² The 7Q20 flow is the lowest 7 day flow that is expected to occur once in 20 years and will be exceeded at least 95% of the time

³ Minimum effluent concentration used as a conservative assessment for dissolved oxygen.

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<p>structures, sites or things of historical, archaeological, paleontological or architectural significance)</p>	<p><i>The results of background historical research and a review of secondary source material, including historical mapping revealed that the study area has a rural land use history dating back to the early nineteenth century. The background research, data collection, and field review conducted for the study area determined that 13 cultural heritage resources are located within the Erin WW study area. No significant impacts to the cultural heritage resources are anticipated to result from the proposed undertaking. Based on the results of the assessment, the following recommendations have been developed:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Staging and construction activities should be suitably planned and undertaken to avoid impacts to identified cultural heritage resources.</i> 2. <i>Once a preferred alternative or detail designs of the proposed work are available, a confirmation of impacts of the undertaking on cultural heritage resources identified within and/or adjacent to the study area should be undertaken; and,</i> 3. <i>Should future work require an expansion of the study area then a qualified heritage consultant should be contacted in order to confirm the impacts of the proposed work on potential heritage resources.</i> <p>No impact on the cultural heritage of indigenous people was identified as part of the Cultural Heritage Resource Assessment. A review of historical land use by Indigenous populations is provided in Section 3.1.2 pg. 11.</p> <p>Based on the archaeological assessments of proposed sites for all of the works additional Stage 2 assessments will be conducted during the project implementation stage. A stage 2 investigation has been conducted on the wastewater treatment site which is under design and no archaeological resources were encountered. The Stage 1-2 Archeological Assessment is appended to this submission. (Attachment 1)</p> <p>Stage 2 archaeological assessments will be conducted on the trunk sewer system lands when that component moves into the implementation phase.</p>
<p>Identify relevant sections of publically available information to focus the Agency's review with regards to the project's potential to cause:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • any potential changes to the health, social or economic conditions of Indigenous peoples due to the Project; 	<p>The project has not identified any potential changes to the health, social or economic conditions of Indigenous peoples as a result of this project. Mitigating measures have been identified to minimise the impact on the environment including fisheries resources.</p> <p>The Cultural Heritage Resource Assessment (Appendix J of ESR (Volume 2 of 3)) did not identify any local Indigenous Peoples that may be impacted by the project.</p>
<p>Identify relevant sections of publically available information to focus the Agency's review with regards to the project's potential to cause:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adverse effects (changes to the environment or to health, social or economic conditions) that are directly linked or necessarily incidental to a federal authority's exercise of a power, performance of a duty or function, or provision of financial assistance, that would enable the carrying out of the Project, in whole or in part; 	<p>Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) administers the federal Fisheries Act, which protects fish and fish habitat through provisions related to the death of fish (Section 34.4), harmful alteration, disruption, or destruction of fish habitat (Section 35), Environment Canada administers the Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations (WSER) which authorize the discharge and deposit of deleterious substances under the Fisheries Act (Section 36).</p> <p>The impact of treated effluent on fish and fish habitat was assessed in the Assimilative Capacity Study (HESL, 2018) (Appendix D of the ESR Volume 2 of 3). Thermal Assessment of the Erin WWTP on the West Credit River (HESL, 2018) (Appendix D of the ESR (Volume 1) and Natural Environment Report (HESL, 2018) (Appendix H of the ESR – Volume 2 of 3).</p> <p>The Assimilative Capacity Study (Appendix D of the ESR - Volume 2 of 3) focused on modelling the impacts of treated effluent on fish and fish habitat through an evaluation of modelled receiving water chemistry and reference to Provincial and Federal water quality objectives which have been developed to be protective of all aquatic life during indefinite exposure. The Thermal Assessment (HESL, 2018 Appendix J) focused on an assessment of thermal impacts on Brook Trout in relation to the Provincial Water Quality Objectives for water temperature. The Natural Environment Report (HESL, 2018) (Appendix H of the ESR Volume 2 of 3) includes a characterization of fish and fish habitat in the study area (Section 3.1), a sensitivity assessment of the natural environment based on aquatic ecology (Section 4.1.1), screening criteria to assess different servicing options based on aquatic ecology (4.2.1), as well as preferred options (4.3), recommended mitigation measures (4.4) and an impact assessment (5.2), all of which are informed by fish and fish habitat in the study area.</p>

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	<p>The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada was included as a project contact during the Class EA process, and they indicated that they did not have any concerns with the project at that time. An application for approval for an outfall of treated wastewater effluent to the West Credit River will be submitted for review by DFO as part of the project implementation stage.</p>
<p>Identify relevant sections of publically available information to focus the Agency’s review with regards to the project’s potential to cause:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adverse cumulative effects that may result from the Project, including in relation to climate change and population growth 	<p>A critical component of the Urban Centre Wastewater Servicing Class EA was to assess the effects of the wastewater effluent on the local environment and whether it would be best to discharge it using direct surface water discharge to the West Credit River or via Sub-Surface Disposal throughout the community. The evaluation concluded that the best alternative was the surface water discharge to the West Credit River. Please refer to ESR (Appendix F & P) for this analysis.</p> <p>The project will result in a benefit to the environment including groundwater and surface water quality from the elimination of private sewage systems (septic systems) within the existing community. It will also result in a benefit to the environment from the elimination of private sewage systems within planned development areas.</p> <p>As the project is implemented impacts will move from indirect impacts on groundwater and surface water to increased energy use and local impacts at the point of discharge of the treated effluent into the West Credit River.</p> <p>Energy efficiency was addressed under Section 14.9 page 161 of the ESR (Volume 1 of 3) and implementation of the wastewater treatment plant design and trunk sewer design include measures to ensure that the facilities meet the highest standard of energy efficiency. These measures will be addressed through submissions to provincial authorities to ensure compliance with guidelines.</p> <p>Cumulative effects on the West Credit River could result from the impact of climate change. The West Credit River is a “gaining” stream upstream and downstream of the proposed outfall, fed by groundwater, and this will help to mitigate the effect of climate change on the river. The potential impact of climate change on river waters in Ontario is still not fully defined. During the Class EA the local Conservation Authority indicated to the project team that the assimilative capacity study should be based on a 10% reduction in the 7Q20 low flow prediction as a result of climate change.</p> <p>The ESR addresses climate change issues in Section 14.4 page 146 of the ESR (Volume 1 of 3). For all aspects of the proposed system the selection of alternative technologies took into account the energy use and greenhouse gas production. The resiliency of the system to severe weather events, with emphasis placed on avoiding spills, is also discussed in Section 14.5 page 147 of the ESR (Volume 1 of 3).</p> <p>Section 2.3 of the ACS (pg. 5) and Appendix B (Appendix D of the ESR - Volume 2 of 3) discuss how the impact of climate change on the receiving water (West Credit River) was accounted for by a 10% reduction in the overall 7Q20 flow used for the calculation of potential assimilative capacity.</p> <p>All defined growth outlined in the project study area is within approved planned growth areas. These growth areas were all established within provincial guidelines and are incorporated into the approved official plans of the Town and Wellington County.</p>
<p>Provide readily available information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how you intend to manage the potential adverse effects of the Project, including proposed mitigation and/or follow-up program measures, or why such measures are not required; 	<p>Potential impacts from the project and proposed mitigating measures are addressed in Section 14.0 of the ESR (Page 141 to 155) (Volume 1 of 3). Potential impacts to the Natural Environment including the river at point of discharge, Archaeological impacts, Cultural Heritage impacts, Climate Change impacts, potential for Spills, Odour, Noise, Effluent Temperature, Energy Efficiency, Pharmaceuticals and Environmental Management during implementation were all addressed and the recommendations from the ESR will all be built into the implementation plans for the project to ensure complete compliance with all provincial regulations and the need to protect the local environment including water quality in the West Credit River.</p> <p>Mitigation measures include strict adherence to recommended wastewater effluent limits as developed in the Assimilative Capacity Study (HESL, 2018) (Appendix D of the ESR – Volume 2 of 3), construction timing windows, Erosion and Sediment Control, construction techniques, site selection, stormwater</p>

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	<p>management, and landscaping/restoration.</p> <p>A monitoring plan was also recommended in the Natural Environment Report (HESL, 2018) (Appendix H of the ESR (Volume 2 of 3) to assess the response of the river to the effluent discharge. The monitoring plan will ultimately be reviewed by CVC and regulated through the ECA and should include an assessment of fisheries, benthic invertebrates and aquatic habitat with sufficient effort to allow for natural variability to be controlled and allow for a sensitive determination of any impact.</p> <p>The wastewater treatment plant has been located outside of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority regulated area to mitigate any concerns.</p> <p>All components of the proposed treatment system will be designed to minimise heat gain within the wastewater. The secondary effluent storage tanks are located underground to reduce solar gain. All air lines will have a heat reflective coating to prevent process air heating up. These changes will assist with the maintaining effluent temperature within the recommended limits defined in the Thermal Assessment of the Erin WWTP on the West Credit River (HESL, 2018) (Appendix D of the ESR – Volume 2 of 3).</p> <p>As well as process changes, a plan to monitor upstream and downstream temperature in the receiver as well as comprehensive plant monitoring of significant wastewater parameters including BOD, TSS, TP, TKN, Temperature and Dissolved Oxygen is being developed. The information gathered through the plant monitoring program will be made public on an annual basis. If it is determined necessary in the future the Town is committed to additional measures such as the installing shading over the exterior tanks at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.</p> <p>In response to a previous letter from the Ontario Rivers Alliance, Barbara Slattery of the MECP completed a review of the ESR and provided a response outlining the approach to managing thermal impacts to the receiving water and the assumption made to manage potential impacts from climate change. The letter is appended to this response. (Attachment 2)</p>
<p>Provide readily available information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how you plan to (or have) engage(d) with Indigenous and public groups, and federal, provincial, and municipal reviewers; 	<p><u>During the Class EA</u></p> <p>A comprehensive list containing 81 interested parties, local residents, Agencies and Indigenous Groups was developed at the initiation of the Class EA and is provided on page 14 of the ESR (Volume 1 of 3). The list of interested parties and local residents was updated throughout the study. This comprehensive list was used for the distribution of all notices/communications related to the Class EA. Copies of the list are included in the respective Appendices of the ESR for each point of contact described below. Section 5 of the ESR provides an overview of public consultation on page 13 (Volume 1 of 3).</p> <p>The following points of contact were arranged to provide information and obtain input from the public, Review Agencies and Indigenous groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The “Notice of Commencement” dated April 13, 2016 was published in the Erin Advocate and the Wellington Advertiser on April 13, 2016 and repeated on April 20, 2016 (both publications are released on the same day). In addition, the “Notice of Commencement” was emailed/mailed to the 81 interested parties, local residents, Agencies and Indigenous Groups on May 5, 2016. Copies of this information is within Appendix A of ESR. • The “Notice of PIC #1”, which was conducted on June 22, 2017, was published in the Erin Advocate and the Wellington Advertiser on June 7, 2017 and repeated on June 14, 2017. In addition, the “Notice of PIC #1” was emailed/mailed to the 81 interested parties, local residents, Agencies and Indigenous Groups on June 8, 2017. Copies of this information is within Appendix A of ESR. • The “Notice of PIC #2”, which was conducted on February 2, 2018, was published in the Erin Advocate and the Wellington Advertiser on January 3, 2018 and repeated on January 10, 2018. In addition, the “Notice of PIC #2” was emailed/mailed to the 81 interested parties, local residents, Agencies and Indigenous Groups on January 19, 2018. Copies of this information is within Appendix A of ESR. • The “Notice of Completion”, was published in the Erin Advocate and the Wellington Advertiser on May 9, 2018 and repeated on May 16, 2018. In

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	<p>addition, the “Notice of Completion” was emailed/mailed to the 81 interested parties, local residents, Agencies and Indigenous Groups on May 3, 2018. A follow-up email with a Drop Box link to the ESR was issued on May 15, 2018. Copies of this information is within Appendix A of ESR</p> <p>Both PIC’s #1 & #2 were conducted as a “drop-in” format to present the problem, describe the study area environment, identify and assess alternatives, discuss the preferred alternative, and to provide some preliminary design information. In addition, each PIC also included a formal presentation to the attendees, followed by a question and answer period.</p> <p>Throughout the study, the Town and the Project Team held Core Management Team (CMT) meetings which involved representatives of the MECP, CVC, and County of Wellington. A total of 6 CMT meetings were held throughout course of the study.</p> <p>In addition to the CMT, the Town established a Public Liaison Committee (PLC) consisting of volunteers from the community, some of whom were representing community action groups within the Town. At the initiation of the Class EA members of the Public were invited to join the PLC. The Project Team held a total of 4 meetings to consult with the PLC to provide information on the progress of the Class EA and to receive feedback on the materials being prepared.</p> <p>Barbra Slattery, MECP EA/Planning Coordinator has been on the distribution list since the commencement of the project and was also a member of the Class EA Core Management Team. Therefore, the local MECP Office would have received the following Notices related to the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice of Commencement – April 13, 2016 (Appendix A of ESR) • PIC # 1 – June 22, 2017 (Appendix A of ESR) • PIC # 2 – February 2, 2018 (Appendix A of ESR) • Notice of Completion – May 3, 2018 (Appendix V of ESR) <p>Throughout the completion of the Class EA, we have worked in close consultation with Barbara Slattery and other MECP representatives. Feedback from the MECP has been integrated into the EA approach and reporting as a result of this collaborative effort.</p> <p><u>Subsequent to the Class EA and in conjunction with Implementation</u></p> <p>The Town is committed to an ongoing public consultation process during the implementation stages of the various contracts (Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection Systems). This will be done by arranging Public Information Centres (PIC’s) whereby interested parties including Indigenous groups will be contacted and engaged in this process. This process will be primarily focused on construction impact mitigation but will include communications with all parties who were contacted or expressed an interest during the Class EA. A public communications program will be included as a component of all implementation contracts on the project.</p> <p>The Town will also create and maintain a Project website throughout implementation stages of the various contracts that include regularly updated schedules and status reports for interested parties including Indigenous groups to stay informed. As part of this the Town will develop and post on the website a list for typical or frequently asked questions along with the associated answers. The Project website will also include a mechanism for interested parties including Indigenous groups to submit queries or questions to the Town directly.</p> <p>Finally, the Town has engaged a specialist communications consultant to ensure that the objectives of the enhanced communication pan and mitigation measures are properly communicated to interested parties and that all people who may be affected by the project are properly consulted on the project solution.</p>
Provide readily available information about:	The list of Indigenous contacts was based on numerous resources, including ATRIS and previously completed Class EA’s in Wellington County. The contact list

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a detailed and complete public and Indigenous consultation record demonstrating information shared and received; 	<p>matches that of other EAs filed within Wellington County and includes all Indigenous groups local to Wellington County as shown in ATRIS, the listing was reviewed and accepted by the MECP during the EA process and again during a secondary review initiated as a component of a Part II order request. The following Indigenous Communities were contacted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada / Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada – Chad Aramburo Haudenosaunee Confederacy – Secretary Hohahes Leroy Hill Haudenosaunee Confederacy – Hazel Hill Mississauga of the New Credit First Nation – Chief Stacey LaForme Six Nations of the Grand River Territory – Lonny Bomberry Six Nations of the Grand River Territory – Caron Smith Six Nations of the Grand River Territory – Joanne Thomas Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs – Leslie Brewer <p>These indigenous stakeholders were included in all notifications for the Class EA (Notice of Commencement, PIC #1 and #2, and Notice of Completion) as described above. In addition, to the issuance of the Notice of Completion, follow-up emails to elicit comments for the Notice of Completion (ESR) were sent to the following indigenous stakeholders on May 11, 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Haudenosaunee Confederacy – Secretary Hohahes Leroy Hill Haudenosaunee Confederacy – Hazel Hill Mississauga of the New Credit First Nation – Chief Stacey LaForme Six Nations of the Grand River Territory – Lonny Bomberry Six Nations of the Grand River Territory – Caron Smith Six Nations of the Grand River Territory – Joanne Thomas, Dawn LaForme, Paul General Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs – Leslie Brewer (follow-up email was sent on May 15, 2018) <p>No responses from First Nation groups were received following notification and after follow-up requests for input. After no responses were received by email an attempt was made to contact each group directly by telephone to solicit comments, however, no comments were received by telephone either.</p>
<p>Provide readily available information about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how you intend to engage and keep the public and Indigenous groups involved during project implementation; 	<p>The Town is committed to an ongoing public consultation process during the implementation stages of the various contracts (Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection Systems). This will be done by arranging Public Information Centres (PIC's) whereby interested parties including Indigenous groups will be contacted and engaged in this process. This process will be primarily focused on construction impact mitigation but will include communications with all parties who were contacted or expressed an interest during the Class EA. A public communications program will be included as a component of all implementation contracts on the project.</p> <p>The Town will also create and maintain a Project website throughout implantation stages of the various contracts that include regularly updated schedules and status reports for interested parties including Indigenous groups to stay informed. As part of this the Town will develop and post on the website a list for typical or frequently asked questions along with the associated answers. The Project website will also include a mechanism for interested parties including Indigenous groups to submit queries or questions to the Town directly.</p> <p>Finally, the Town has engaged a specialist communications consultant to ensure that the objectives of the enhanced communication pan and mitigation measures are properly communicated to interested parties and that all people who may be affected by the project are properly consulted on the project solution.</p>
<p>Provide readily available information about:</p>	<p>See attached Permits and Approvals Table. (Attachment 3)</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> outstanding permits and approvals for the Project, and any municipal bylaws or requirements that apply to the Project, the effects that these may manage, and associated consultation mechanisms. 	<p>In addition to the ESR, other Studies will have to be completed prior to the future development proceeding within the Village of Erin or the Community of Hillsburgh. These studies include an Official Plan Amendment, individual Draft Plan Applications & Approvals and Development Charges Study Updates. Each of these studies will look at the effects and if necessary, identify mitigation measures of the proposed development on the overall community.</p>