

CITY OF BARRIE
SOPHIA CREEK WATERSHED & MULCASTER DRAINAGE AREA

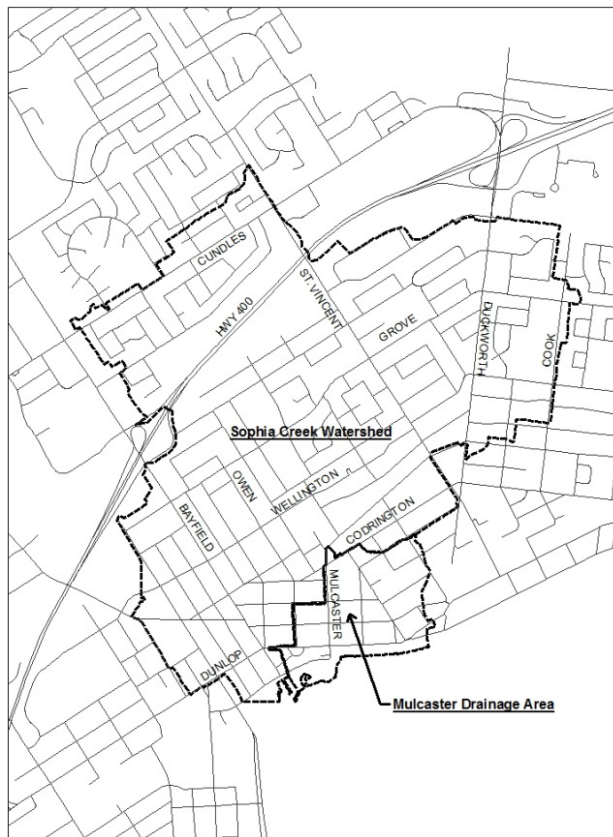
SCHEDULE “B” MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT UPDATE

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

The Study

The Corporation of the City of Barrie has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study to determine the nature of stormwater infrastructure improvements required to reduce flooding on both private and municipally owned lands, resolve issues concerning public safety and provide improved maintenance opportunities within Sophia Creek and within the Mulcaster drainage area. Sophia Creek is located within the north portion of the City of Barrie. The watershed is generally north of Kempenfelt Bay with its upper reaches extending north of Cundles Road, east of Bayfield Street and west of Cook Street. Sophia Creek consists of a combination of open channels, culverts and storm sewers located on both private and municipally owned land. The Mulcaster drainage area is located north of Kempenfelt Bay extending north to Codrington Street, west to Owen Street and east to Albert Street. The limits of the Study Area are depicted in the figure provided right.

Study Area



The Process

The study is being completed in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule “B” projects as outlined in the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000, amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015). Alternative solutions will be developed and evaluated based on their physical, social, cultural, environmental and economic impacts and the opportunities and constraints of the project.

A Public Information Centre (PIC) will be scheduled for the Fall of 2016 to provide an opportunity for the public and stakeholders to review the alternatives under consideration, and to provide input and comments. Property owners and agencies that are directly affected will receive a letter advising of the PIC. Additional notices indicating the date and location of the PIC will be published in future editions of this newspaper. Project information can also be viewed on the City’s website at www.barrie.ca (under City Hall - Environmental Assessment Studies) as it becomes available. Upon completion of the Study, a Final Class EA Report documenting the Preferred Solution will be prepared for public/agency review and comment.

The City has retained the consulting firm C. C. Tatham & Associates Ltd. to complete this Study. Further detailed on the Municipal Class EA process are available from the consultants’ office.

Comments Invited

Comments or requests to receive direct notification of future project activities should be submitted to:

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