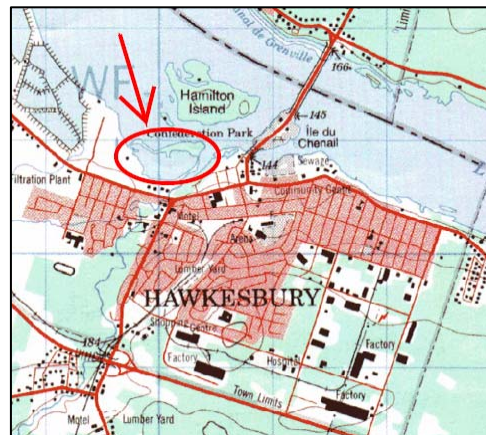
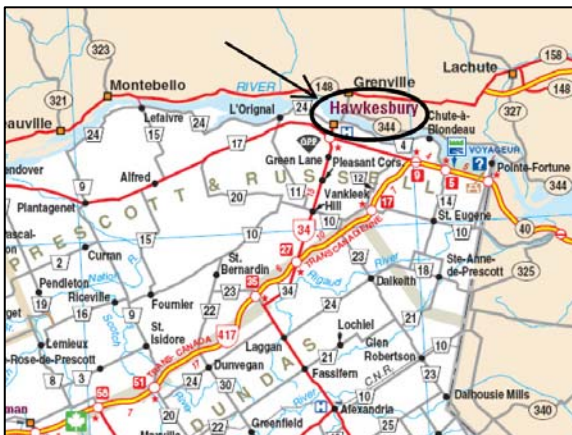


Proposed CIP Wet Lagoon Remediation, Hawkesbury, Ontario Notice of Opportunity To Inspect Draft Environmental Study Report

Class Environmental Assessment for MNR Resource Stewardship and Facility Development Projects

The Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), Kemptville District, is inviting comments on a Draft Environmental Study Report (ESR) for its proposal to remediate the CIP Wet Lagoon, located in the Town of Hawkesbury, Ontario. The Draft ESR was prepared in accordance with the requirements for Category C projects under the Class Environmental Assessment for MNR Resource Stewardship and Facility Development Projects. It outlines the alternatives that were examined for remediating the site, the process that was used to select a preferred remediation plan, and an evaluation of environmental effects. MNR invites the public to inspect the Draft ESR and provide comments. MNR has retained Trow Associates Inc. to conduct the Class Environmental Assessment and prepare the ESR.

MNR is leading the efforts to remediate the site, which was used by the former mill owners (Canadian International Pulp and Paper) to deposit pulp mill processing waste materials. The site is located adjacent to the Ottawa River, and is also immediately adjacent to existing development within the Town of Hawkesbury. An unpleasant odour emanates from the lagoon, particularly in the summer months. The clean-up and remediation of this waterfront property could lead to further economic development, additional recreation enhancements, and increased tourism along the waterfront and within the business areas of the Town of Hawkesbury.



The four alternatives to be evaluated during the environmental assessment are:

- (1) Do Nothing
- (2) Site Remediation via Partial Excavation of Sludge/Cover in Place
- (3) Site Remediation via Excavation/Landfill of Sludge On-Site
- (4) Site Remediation/Full Lagoon Restoration via Excavation/Off-Site Disposal of Waste.

A copy of the Draft ESR will be available at the MNR Kemptville District Office, the MNR Alfred Area Office and the Hawkesbury Town Hall during normal business hours, or on the internet at www.hawkesbury.ca, after September 5, 2008.

INVITATION TO A PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Information regarding the project will be available at a Public Open House

Date: **Thursday, September 4, 2008,**

Time: 2:00 pm to 9:00 pm (Presentation at 3 pm and 7 pm)

Location: Hawkesbury Town Hall, 600 Higginson Street, Hawkesbury, ON

Visitors are welcome to attend the Open House at any time between 2 and 9 pm to view displays, examine the Draft ESR, and speak to MNR staff and their consultants. There will be a presentation at 3 pm and at 7 pm.

Inquiries, comments and concerns regarding this project can be directed to William Grandy, Trow Associates Inc., 1595 Clark Boulevard, Brampton, ON L6T 4V1, Tel: 905-793-9800, Fax: 905-793-0641, E-mail: william.grandy@trow.com until **Friday, October 10, 2008.**

Comments and personal information regarding this proposal are collected under authority of the Environmental Assessment Act to assist MNR in making decisions. Comments not constituting personal information as defined by the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, will be shared among MNR and others as appropriate, and may be included in documentation available for public review. Personal information will remain confidential unless prior consent to disclose is obtained. Please contact Joy Rayner, Planning & Information Management Supervisor, at 613-258-8222 for further information.

