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**APPROVAL
OF
PREVIOUS
MEETING
MINUTES**



Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Date: April 28, 2026

Time: 6:00pm

1355 Peddlers Drive, Calvin, ON

Attendance: Mayor Gould, Councillors Grant, Latimer, Manson;

Staff: CAO Donna Maitland, Public Works Superintendent A Carr and Deputy Clerk T Araujo.

Regrets: Councillor Moreton

Guests: S. McArthur Tulloch (item 4)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Resolution Number: 2026-150

Moved By: Councillor Manson

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this April 28th, Regular Meeting of Council be called to order @6:03 p.m. by Mayor Gould noting Councillor Moreton has submitted his regrets and is unable to attend this meeting and provided a proxy form through CAO/Clerk/Treasurer naming Councillor Latimer as his proxy and that quorum has been achieved.

Result: Carried

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution Number: 2026-151

Moved By: Councillor Manson

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin hereby moves that the procedural by-law be suspended to facilitate an amended agenda specifically that Council resolve into Committee of the Whole for Item 4- Local Implementation of Ontario's Planning and Development Acts facilitated by Steve McArthur of Tulloch, acting as the municipality's Planner of Record to allow for informal debate

AND FURTHER THAT agenda item 8.1 Boileau File 2026-01 Application for Consent be moved up on the agenda to immediately follow item 4.1 while Mr. McArthur is still with us to provide professional input on that item.

Result: Carried

3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST - NONE

4. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION OF ONTARIO'S PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS, S. MCARTHUR, TULLOCH

4.1a Resolution Number: 2026-152

Moved by: Councillor Latimer

Seconded by: Councillor Manson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin rise and report to Council that it participated in a presentation and discussion about the Local Implementation of Ontario's Planning and Development Acts, a topic led by S. McArthur, Tulloch, the Municipality of Calvin's Planner of Record.

Result: Carried

4.1b Resolution Number 2026-153

Moved by Councillor: Latimer

Seconded by Councillor: Manson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin adopt the following recommendations by the Committee of the Whole:

THAT a professional planner be contracted by the East Nipissing Planning Board to review applications

AND THAT the fee schedules are reviewed by the Board

AND FURTHER THAT the Board members report the results back to the Council.

Result: Carried

5. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Resolution Number: 2026-154

Moved By: Councillor Manson

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of April 14th, be approved as presented and circulated.

Result: Carried

6. DELEGATIONS TO COUNCIL - NONE

7. PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL-NONE

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS

8.1 Boileau File 2026-01 Application for Consent

Resolution Number: 2026-155

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

WHEREAS Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin has received correspondence from the East Nipissing Planning Board inviting it to provide comment on Consent Application Boileau-File 2026-01

WHEREAS the Public Works Superintendent, Fire Chief and Building Official comments as provided in Council were passed along to the East Nipissing Planning Board,

And WHEREAS the Municipality of Calvin's Planner of Record, (Tulloch) has submitted comment on the file with recommendations,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledges Mayor Gould submitted the Tulloch report to the East Nipissing Planning Board (ENPB) given the deadline to add this information to the ENPB comment file would have passed had it waited for this Council meeting's conclusion.

Result: Carried

8.2 Media Coverage

Resolution Number: 2026-156

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

8.2.1 Bonfield Township Support for concerns Regarding Sale of Conservation Authority Assets

8.2.2 BayToday Article- Calvin Township calls for more transparency after \$1.4 million Laurentian Ski Hill land Sale

8.2.3 NorthBay Nugget Article-Calvin TWP mayor says last year's major storm has turned area into tinder box

8.2.4 Calvin resident fearful of what lies in store for his property in 2026

8.2.5 Calvin calls on province to support residents facing massive tree cleanup

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin accepts the Media Release articles for information purposes only.

Result: Carried

9. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES

Resolution Number: 2026-157

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council members for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin acknowledge receiving and reviewing the Consent Agenda Items presented in this meeting's package and of those received and reviewed, move the following forward for discussion at the next meeting: 9.11 Harmonization of Ontario Provincial Standards for Roads and Public Works – PW Superintendent

- 9.1 Bonfield Library Minutes April 13
- 9.2 TWP of Dumfries - Resolution – Architectural Conservancy of Ontario (ACO) Proposal
- 9.3 Shuniah - Resolution 167-26 (Extend OCIF)
- 9.4 Council Correspondence, re Community Safety and Well-Being Plan - March 25, 2026
- 9.5 Niagara-on-the-Lake - Swim to Survive
- 9.6 Strengthening Municipal Accountability and Public Trust (Bill 9)
 - 9.6.1 Resolution 144 - Concerns re Bill 9
- 9.7 AROS - Provincial Legislation Amendments, Health and Safety Concerns
- 9.8 FONOM Letter from the Ontario Minister of Transportation
- 9.9 More Bills, More Regs, More Bills-Bills 98 and 100
- 9.10 Proposed Environmental Assessment Act (EAA) amendments to improve the comprehensive environmental assessment (EA) process – Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
- 9.11 Harmonization of Ontario Provincial Standards for Roads and Public Works – PW Superintendent
- 9.12 Transportation of High Level Radioactive Waste on Our Highways-Second Comment Period
- 9.13 2026 Municipal Election Procedures
- 9.14 Public Works Superintendent Report 2026-11
- 9.15 Letter from Honourable R Flack -Municipal Affairs and Housing- HOC's (Stormwater Fees Regulations) SIGNED

Result: Carried

10. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

10.1 CAO Report 2026-18 Long Term Financial Strategy and Asset Management Plan

Resolution Number: 2026-158

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Manson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin receive CAO Report 2026-18 and authorize the engagement of Hemson to develop a long-term financial strategy for capital assets, using OCIF funding to carry out the project.

Result: Carried

11. AGENCIES, BOARDS, COMMITTEES

- 11.1 North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority – Councillor Moreton
- 11.2 East Nipissing Planning Board- Councillor Grant, Mayor Gould
- 11.3 Physician Recruitment -Mayor Gould
- 11.4 Mattawa Regional Police Services Board -Councillor Grant
- 11.5 Canadian Ecology Centre - Mayor Gould
- 11.6 Cassellholme Exit Strategy- Mayor Gould
- 11.7 Castle Arms Mayors' Meetings – Mayor Gould

11.7.1

Resolution Number: 2026-159

Moved by: Mayor Gould

Seconded by: Councillor Manson

WHEREAS the Group of Four Municipalities, consisting of Calvin, Mattawa, Mattawan, and Papineau-Cameron, previously resolved through resolutions of their respective councils to engage and appoint Don Gracie of the CG Group as the sole representative for the group in discussions/negotiations regarding our collective exit from Cassellholme,

AND WHEREAS Don Gracie has been designated as the spokesperson for the Group of Four Municipalities when engaging with others such as and including various ministries, MPPs, and the Cassellholme Board of Management,
AND WHEREAS it is important to ensure clarity in communication and coordination,
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin reaffirms that Don Gracie is the sole spokesperson (with those aforementioned) for the group on all matters relating to the exit from Cassellholme,
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all information and updates related to this matter will flow through Mr. Gracie to the Group of Four,
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mattawa continues to lead the project on behalf of the Group of Four Municipalities,
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this motion be forwarded to:
The Minister of Long-Term Care
The Cassellholme Board of Management
The Councils of the Group of Four Municipalities
Don Gracie

Result: Carried

11.7.2

Resolution Number: 2026-160

Moved By: Councillor Manson

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin accepts the Agencies, Board, Committee Reports and/or Minutes provided by Council members at this meeting.

Result: Carried

12. CLOSED MEETING –

S.239(2)(d) Labour relations or employee negotiations- compensation, staff performance, workload of specific employees

S. 239(2)(e) Litigation or potential litigation – Ontario Housing Support Services Corporation, Ontario Superior Court of Justice, File No CV-25-00000123-0000

Resolution Number: 2026-161

Moved By: Councillor Manson

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin move into Closed Session at 8:17 p.m. as permitted by S.239(2)(d) of the Ontario Municipal Act to discuss compensation, staff performance, workload of specific employees and by S.239(2)(e) Litigation or potential litigation, to discuss strategy with respect to its response to Ontario Housing Support Services Corporation, Ontario Superior Court of Justice, File No CV-25-00000123-0000 .

Result: Carried

13. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Resolution Number: 2026-162

Moved By: Councillor Manson

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin move back into Open Session at 10:03 p.m. and report that it discussed labour relations or employee negotiations – compensation, staff performance, workload of specific employees and provided the CAO with compensation directives for senior management staff and that it authorized the CAO and Mayor to enter into a Retainer Agreement with Lerner's LLP to represent the Municipality in Ontario Housing Support Services Corporation, Ontario Superior Court of Justice, File No CV-25-00000123-0000

Result: Carried

14. CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW

By-Law # 2026-21

Resolution Number: 2026-163

Moved By: Councillor Grant

Seconded By: Councillor Latimer

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2026-21 being a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of Council be approved.

Result: Carried

15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution Number: 2026-164

Moved By: Councillor Latimer

Seconded By: Councillor Manson

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin now be adjourned @ 10:06 p.m.

Result: Carried

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**DELEGATIONS
TO COUNCIL**

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**PRESENTATIONS
TO COUNCIL**

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**BUSINESS
ARISING
FROM
PREVIOUS
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THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN
REPORT TO COUNCIL
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To: Mayor and Council
Subject: Harmonization of Ontario Provincial Standards for Roads and Public Works
Author: Ann Carr, Public Works Superintendent
Date: April 28, 2026
Report No.: PWS-2026-12

Purpose:

To provide Council with the impact to the Municipality being mandated to follow the Ontario Provincial Standards for Roads and Public Works commencing July 01, 2027.

Background/Legal Authority:

At the meeting of Council on March 10th, 2026, Council communicated verbally that a report be provided to the Council after the Public Works Superintendent returned from the Good Roads Conference describing the impact of Bill 60, Fighting Delays, Building Faster Act, 2025. Bill 60 includes 16 schedules, through which it amends numerous pieces of legislation, focusing on housing, development and infrastructure. Although there were several amendments made in the several acts, this report is focusing on the amendments made to the Highway Traffic Act, specifically the mandatory use of the Ontario Provincial Standards for Road Construction and Public Works.

Municipalities in Ontario are mandated to follow the Ontario Provincial Standards (OPS) and guidelines to ensure consistency and standardization in road construction and public works beginning July 01, 2027. While the use of the standards was not mandatory, municipalities have had the discretion to adopt, modify, or create their own standards. The OPS organization manages the development of these standards, which include specification and drawings for various construction projects. (In the appendices of this report is the table of contents for the OPS standards for Municipalities).

Across the province's 444 municipalities are hundreds of different road-building specifications and procurement practices for instance, in the Municipality of Calvin the East Nipissing Official Plan, page 21, under 2.6 Lot Access Criteria; the diagram depicts a 20-meter right of way with a 10-meter road width. By-Law 2017-015, "Being a By-Law to Establish Guidelines for Property Owners Requesting Year-Round Municipal Road Services on Existing Gravel Seasonal Roads, Unassumed Road Allowance or Private Roads" Schedule" states that the service width including the shoulders shall be 8-meters. OPS standards for a typical gravel surface Two-Lane, Two-way Road indicates a minimum surface width of 7.4-meters with an additional .5-meter shoulder width equalling 8.4-meters.

The provincial government feels that these inconsistencies are prohibiting development as well as increasing costs for developers as municipalities can quickly change their own standards without industry consultation, which can extend the time it takes for municipal approvals.



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The Case for Standardization (Published by the Construction Industry)

Cost Savings for Taxpayers: With common standards, municipalities can leverage economies of scale, bulk procurement and more competitive bidding. Standards will allow industry to always know how to bid and limit unexpected costs.

Faster Project Delivery: Clear, pre-vetted standards mean less time spent on drafting specifications resulting in projects being designed and built with fewer delays.

Better Quality and Safety: Uniform standards mean a consistent pavement thickness, materials and testing protocols. This is to result in fewer potholes, less emergency repair work, and safer travel for everyone.

Sustainability: OPS standards already encourage practices like using recycled crushed aggregates -reducing carbon emissions, conserving non-renewable resources and cutting landfill use.

Streamlined Project Management: Clear, consistent specifications simplify project planning, contract administration, oversight, thereby reducing delays and minimizing disputes between municipalities, contractors and suppliers.

How will this effect the Municipality of Calvin?

Municipalities across Ontario may worry about costs, local material availability or losing control over infrastructure projects.

Advantages:

1. Access to vetted-high quality standards without needing extensive engineering.
2. Standardization across the province will encourage standardized production of needed materials. Including but not limited to aggregate, asphalt, and surface treatment.
3. Contract management and procurement will become streamlined as the industry moves into standardized expectations with standardized results.
4. Staff (with training) will have a provincial understanding of the OPS and will conduct job performance accordingly with standardized results and expectations. (Also creates equal knowledge across the industry)
5. OPS standards will provide less maintenance costs and provide extended life expectancy for infrastructure.
6. Provides the expectation for public works projects which will create standardized data for funding opportunities.
7. Required material testing will ensure that the contractors are using the materials that are provided for in the OPS, as well as the OPS providing the expectations of materials to the contractors.



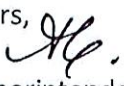
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Disadvantages:

1. The municipality will need to invest in its infrastructure materials to ensure that OPS standards can be met. Past practice has been driven by cost. For example, culvert installations without proper materials, or the equipment for compaction or the application of erosion control methods. Initial costs will see an increase to meet the OPS standard; however, the standard should provide for extended savings in maintenance costs as well as extended life expectancy of the asset.
2. Removes autonomy for finding cost savings using “short cuts”, or opinions of professional staff.
3. Initial cost to train staff on the OPS, as well as the training to be able to achieve the standard which may include equipment handling.
4. Delay in projects waiting for a response from the MTO when requesting “special provisions” outside of the standard. The MTO indicates there will be a portal to place requests for special provisions, however the MTO does indicate that the office currently is comprised of 3 individuals to process such requests.
5. Local acquisition of materials as well as extra costs in obtaining the required materials due to our rural location.

Conclusion:

The harmonization of Ontario Provincial Standards for Municipalities for Roads and Public Works will initially observe increase in cost for most projects, especially for those municipalities who have not used OPS standards in the past for its infrastructure projects including the Municipality of Calvin. In northern rural Ontario, challenges in the cost of acquiring material that meet the standard, could also pose a cost due to local availability of the material. Staff will require training on the OPS including methodologies to achieve the standard. This investment will provide less maintenance costs for infrastructure, extended life expectancy, less engineering costs for projects, as well as a standardized expectations across the industry which also should prove to be a cost savings, in the production, procurement of contracts for infrastructure projects. The industry will soon become like McDonalds; the big mac will taste the same everywhere you go.

Respectfully yours,
Ann Carr 
Public Works Superintendent

I am in receipt of this report,
Donna Maitland 
CAO, Clerk Treasurer

Appendix: Table of Contents for Ontario Provincial Standards for Roads and Public Works MUNI



Ontario Provincial Standards for Roads and Public Works (OPS)

Ontario Provincial Standards

The OPS organization (MTO & MEA) produces standard specifications (OPSS) and drawings (OPSD) for use in Ontario. MTO manages the publishing of these standards which are updated in April, July, and November. The use of OPS standards is not mandatory therefore each infrastructure Owner determines which standards they will use (if any), and when they will implement and/or cancel them for use. This means that Owners may not be using the most "Current" version of a particular standard for design and construction purposes. For MTO construction contracts, users must refer the specific standards that are referenced in the Tender documents. **For MTO design projects, users must refer to the specific standards that are "Active" for use in the ministry's Contract Preparation System (CPS), which may not be the newest version that has been published on this website.** Users without access to CPS can obtain this information from sections D-205 and F-215 in Volume 1 of the MTO CDED Manual.

- [Click here](/SydneyPLUS/TechPubs/Portal/tp/opsMembership.aspx) (/SydneyPLUS/TechPubs/Portal/tp/opsMembership.aspx) to go to the OPS Membership and Committees page.
- [Click here](mailto:Ontario.Prov.Standards@ontario.ca?Subject=Require More Information) (mailto:Ontario.Prov.Standards@ontario.ca?Subject=Require More Information) to submit an enquiry via email to the OPS organization.

Current Documents		Archived Documents	
ALL	Manuals & Revisions	Vol. 1-2 OPSS (Common)	Vol. 3-4 OPSD (Drawings)
Vol. 5-6 OPSS (Provincial)		Vol. 7-8 OPSS (Municipal)	
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OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	01 - General	100	OPSS MUNI General Conditions of Contract	Nov 2024
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	01 - General	102	Weighing of Materials	Nov 2016
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	01 - General	106	Electrical Work	Apr 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	01 - General	120	Use of Explosives	Nov 2019

OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	01 - General	180	Management of Excess Materials	Apr 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	01 - General	182	Environmental Protection for Construction In Waterbodies and On Waterbody Banks	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	02 - Grading	201	Clearing, Close Cut Clearing, Grubbing, and Removal of Surface and Piled Boulders	Apr 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	02 - Grading	202	Rock Removal by Manual Scaling, Machine Scaling, or Trim Blasting	Nov 2022
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	02 - Grading	203	Rock Stabilization	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	02 - Grading	206	Grading	Apr 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	02 - Grading	209	Embankments Over Swamps and Compressible Soils	Nov 2015
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	02 - Grading	212	Borrow	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	02 - Grading	220	Wick Drain Installation	Apr 2022
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	301	Restoring Unpaved Roadway Surfaces	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	302	Priming Granular Base	Apr 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	303	Double Chip Seal	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	304	Single and Double Surface Treatment	Apr 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	305	Granular Sealing	Nov 2016
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	307	CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION FOR PATCHING OF ASPHALT PAVEMENT	Nov 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	309	Cold Mixed, Cold Laid, Open and Dense Graded Bituminous Mix	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	310	Hot Mix Asphalt	Nov 2017
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	311	Asphalt Sidewalk, Driveway, Boulevard, and Sidewalk Resurfacing	Nov 2018

OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	312	Asphalt Curb and Gutter Systems	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	314	Untreated Granular Subbase, Base, Surface, Shoulder, and Stockpiling	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	316	Extruded Expanded Polystyrene (EPS), Frost Heave Treatment	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	320	Open Graded Drainage Layer	Nov 2020
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	330	In-Place Full-Depth Reclamation of Bituminous Pavement and Underlying Granular	Nov 2014
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	331	Full-Depth Reclamation With Expanded Asphalt Stabilization	Nov 2016
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	332	Hot In-Place Recycling (HIR)	Nov 2016
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	333	Cold In-Place Recycled (CIR) Mix	Nov 2015
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	334	Cold Recycled Mix	Nov 2016
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	335	Cold In-Place Recycled (CIR) Expanded Asphalt Mix	Nov 2016
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	336	Micro-Surfacing	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	337	Slurry Seal	Apr 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	341	Routing and Sealing Cracks in Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	350	Concrete Pavement and Concrete Base	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	351	Concrete Sidewalk	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	353	Concrete Curb and Gutter Systems	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	355	Installation of Interlocking Concrete Pavers	Nov 2020
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	356	Pervious Concrete Pavement for Low-Volume Traffic Applications	Nov 2018

OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	360	Full Depth Repair of Concrete Pavement or Concrete Base	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	361	Rubblizing Concrete Pavement and Concrete Base	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	364	Partial Depth Repairs in Concrete Pavement	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	365	Cross-Stitching Longitudinal Cracks in Concrete Pavement and Concrete Base	Nov 2020
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	03 - Pavement	369	Sealing or Resealing of Joints and Cracks in Concrete Pavement and Concrete Base	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	401	Trenching, Backfilling, and Compacting	Nov 2024
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	402	Excavating, Backfilling, and Compacting for Maintenance Holes, Catch Basins, Ditch Inlets, and Valve Chambers	Nov 2024
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	403	Rock Excavation for Pipelines, Utilities, and Associated Structures in Open Cut	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	404	Support Systems	Nov 2017
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	405	Pipe Subdrains	Nov 2017
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	407	Maintenance Hole, Catch Basin, Ditch Inlet, and Valve Chamber Installation	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	408	Adjusting or Rebuilding Maintenance Holes, Catch Basins, Ditch Inlets, and Valve Chambers	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	409	Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) Inspection of Pipelines	Apr 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	410	Pipe Sewer Installation in Open Cut	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	411	Cleaning and Flushing of Culverts, Wall Drains, Pipe Sewers, Catch Basins, Maintenance Holes, Ditch Inlets, and Oil-Grit Separators	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	412	Forcemain Installation in Open Cut	Nov 2018

OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	413	Manure Pipeline Installation in Open Cut	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	415	Pipeline Installation by Tunnelling	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	416	Pipeline and Utility Installation by Jacking and Boring	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	421	Pipe Culvert Installation in Open Cut	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	422	CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION FOR PRECAST REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERTS WITH SPAN 3M OR LESS IN OPEN CUT	Nov 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	430	CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION FOR GENERAL PIPE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS	Nov 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	432	Zoom Camera Inspections	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	433	CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION FOR VISUAL OBSERVATION INSPECTION OF PIPELINES	Nov 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	434	Laser and LiDAR Surveying of Pipelines	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	435	Sonar Inspections of Gravity Pipe Sewers and Culverts	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	436	Locating Gravity Pipe Sewers	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	438	Mandrel Deflection Inspections	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	439	Direct Measurement Inspections	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	441	CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION FOR WATERMAIN INSTALLATION IN OPEN CUT	Nov 2025
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	442	Corrosion Protection of Watermains	Nov 2020
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	443	Rehabilitation of Non-Pressure Pipe by Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) Liner	Nov 2023

OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	444	Sewage Forcemain Rehabilitation by Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) Liner	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	445	Watermain Rehabilitation by Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) Liner	Nov 2023
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	450	Pipeline and Utility Installation in Soil by Horizontal Directional Drilling	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	462	Cement Mortar Lining of Watermains	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	463	Pipeline and Conduit Installation by Pipe Bursting	Nov 2021
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	465	Sewer Pipeline and Culvert Rehabilitation by PVC Fold and Form Liner	Nov 2018
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	490	Site Preparation for Pipelines, Utilities, and Associated Structures	Nov 2020
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	491	Preservation, Protection, and Reconstruction of Existing Facilities	Nov 2017
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	492	Site Restoration Following Installation of Pipelines, Utilities, and Associated Structures	Nov 2020
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	04 - Drainage	493	Temporary Potable Water Supply Services	Nov 2019
OPSS Municipal	OPS Vol. 7	05 - Miscellaneous	501	Compacting	Nov 2017
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Good afternoon,

The attached direction issued by the Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks was shared in early May with conservation authorities.

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Please see the attached direction issued by the Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment Conservation and Parks.

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May 1, 2026

TO: Conservation Authorities Chairs, GMs/CAOs, and municipalities

SUBJECT: Minister's direction under section 1.14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*
(re: temporary restrictions)

I am writing with regards to the transition of Ontario's conservation authority system to a consolidated regional model. The *Plan to Protect Ontario Act* (Budget Measures), 2026 received Royal Assent on April 24, 2026 and pursuant to my authority under section 1.14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (CAA), I am issuing a direction to conservation authorities – please see attached to this letter as Attachment A (the "Direction").

The intention of this Direction, which is effective from May 1, 2026 to the transition date under the CAA (i.e., February 1, 2027 or such later date as may be prescribed by the regulations), is to apply temporary restrictions on significant financial, asset or employment decisions to mitigate risk and ensure a stable transition to the new regional structure.

This Direction applies to certain conservation authority decisions related to: governance, organizational or staffing changes; the acquisition and disposition of lands; significant capital transactions; and the provision or acquisition of goods or services. For the decisions specified in this Direction, conservation authorities will be required to seek authorization from the chief executive officer of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency (or the Chief Conservation Executive of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks if the chief executive officer has not yet been appointed), before the authority can make the decision. This Direction applies to all current conservation authorities, as listed in Appendix A to the attachment. Further guidance on the process to obtain authorization is set out in Appendix B to the attachment. The CAA provides that if an authority makes a decision in contravention of a direction issued **under clause 1.14 (1) (a), the authority's decision has no effect and any agreement that the authority enters into that is in contravention of the direction is void.**

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These measures are not intended to interfere with the regular day-to-day business and operations of conservation authorities. If you are contemplating whether or not this Direction applies to a conservation authority decision under consideration, if you have any questions regarding this Direction, or if you are looking to request authorization for a conservation authority decision that may be covered under this Direction, please contact the Chief Conservation Executive at CCEO@ontario.ca and copy the Conservation Authorities Section at the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks at ca.office@ontario.ca.

Continuity for communities is a core principle of this transition. These time-limited **measures are intended to ensure there aren't any service disruptions during transition** and to ensure that the transition to consolidation is smooth and successful with minimal **disruptions to conservation authorities' governance, programs and services.**

Thank you for your continued leadership and collaboration as we work to improve the conservation authority system in Ontario.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Todd McCarthy", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

Todd McCarthy
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Enclosures

c: The Honorable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Attachment A

Minister's Direction Issued Pursuant to Section 1.14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (this "Direction")

Section 1.14 of the Conservation Authorities Act provides the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks with the authority to issue a direction to a conservation authority in relation to various matters for the purpose of facilitating the transition to a regional watershed-based framework for conservation authorities. The types of directions that can be issued by the Minister are set out in clauses 1.14 (1) (a) to (d):

- (a) prohibiting the authority from making a decision in relation to its exercise of any of its powers under this Act or any other Act in the circumstances specified in the direction and subject to any specified conditions;
- (b) requiring the authority to give notice, in accordance with the direction, of a decision that it has made;
- (c) requiring the authority to send notices under subsection 25 (2), 27 (3) or 27.2 (3) by the date specified in the direction;
- (d) governing budgetary and apportionment matters relating to the authority that are otherwise addressed in a regulation made under clause 40 (1) (c), (e) or (f) or clause 40 (3) (k).

Section 1.14 further provides that an authority that receives such a direction shall comply with the direction within the time specified in the direction.

If an authority makes decision in contravention of a direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (a), the authority's decision has no effect and any agreement that the authority enters into that is in contravention of the direction is void.

Pursuant to the authority of the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks under clauses 1.14 (1) (a) and (b), the conservation authorities set out under Appendix "A" to this Direction (the "**authorities**" or each, an "**authority**") are hereby directed as follows:

Decisions prohibited unless authorization obtained (direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (a))

1. Commencing on the Effective Date and until the transition date, an authority is prohibited from making a decision to do any of the following unless the authority obtains written authorization from the chief executive officer of the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency ("OPCA CEO") in accordance with the conditions set out in paragraph 4:

- i. Amending an authority's by-laws made under section 19.1 of the CAA, unless the amendment is administrative in nature and does not affect the substance or legal effect of the by-law (e.g. updating references, dates, and terminology; name or title changes; and making obvious corrections where the intended meaning is clear).
- ii. Any of the following related to employment:
 - a. Terminating the employment of a permanent or temporary employee who serves in a senior leadership position, including the authority's chief administrative officer or general manager, its secretary treasurer, and any departmental directors if applicable.
 - b. Filling a vacancy for (i.e. temporarily or permanently) or making any changes to the terms and conditions of employment for any senior leadership position as referred to in sub-subparagraph a.
 - c. Terminating the employment of any employee who serves in a leadership position related to or who are essential to the provision of the following mandatory programs and services described in the following provisions of O. Reg. 686/21 made under the CAA: flood forecasting and warning (section 2), ice management (section 4), infrastructure (section 5), plan reviews (sections 6 and 7) and the administration and enforcement of Parts VI and VII of the CAA (section 8).
 - d. Increasing the total number of employees of the authority unless the increase was already included in the authority's approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year.
- iii. Changing the organizational structure of the employees of the authority, including creating, merging, or eliminating departments.
- iv. Acquiring, by purchase, lease or otherwise, any land or to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any land owned by the authority.
- v. Acquiring services from a person or body where:
 - a. the duration of the provision of the service exceeds 2 years in length,
or
 - b. the total cost of the service exceeds the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's operating expenses, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.

This does not include a decision to renew or extend an agreement for a service that a person or body was providing to the authority prior to the Effective Date.

- vi. Providing a service to a person or body where:
 - a. the duration of the provision of the service exceeds 2 years in length,
or
 - b. the total amount to be charged for the service exceeds the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's revenues, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.

This does not include a decision to, renew or extend an agreement for a service that the authority was providing to the person or body prior to the Effective Date.

- vii. Incurring a capital cost in connection with a project or purchasing, leasing or otherwise acquiring personal property, including materials, equipment and vehicles, where:
 - a. in the case of a lease, the duration of the term of the lease exceeds 2 years in length,
or
 - b. the total amount of the capital cost or purchase, lease or other acquisition would exceed the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's tangible capital assets, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.

This direction does not apply if the capital cost or acquisition is contemplated for a particular program or service identified in the authority's approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year and the total capital cost or acquisition amount is within the budgeted amount for the program or service.

- viii. Selling, leasing, or otherwise disposing of or dealing with personal property, including materials, equipment and vehicles, where:
 - a. in the case of the lease, the duration of the term of the lease exceeds 2 years in length,
or
 - b. the total amount of the lease or other disposition or dealing would exceed the lesser of \$500,000 and 5% of the authority's tangible capital assets, as reported in the authority's most recent audited financial statement.

- 2. Despite paragraph 1, sub-paragraphs 1. v to viii do not apply to a decision of an authority that is made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, the health of any persons, or to property.

3. For greater certainty, paragraph 1 does not apply to a decision of an authority to execute an agreement that has the effect of implementing a decision made by the authority before the Effective Date.
4. The following conditions must be satisfied before an authority is authorized to make a decision that is subject to paragraph 1:
 - i. The authority must request authorization from the OPCA CEO to make the decision, in accordance with paragraph 5 of this Direction.
 - ii. The authority must receive written authorization from the OPCA CEO to make the decision. If authorization for the request is granted only in part, the authority must ensure that its decision does not exceed the scope of the authorization.
5. For the purposes of paragraph 4, the authority must request authorization to make a decision that is subject to paragraph 1 by submitting the following information to the OPCA CEO:
 - i. A description of the decision that the authority is seeking authorization to make, including details of the proposed decision and why the proposed decision is a decision that is subject to paragraph 1.
 - ii. A resolution of the authority supporting the proposed decision.
 - iii. An explanation for why authorization should be granted, including any risks associated with deferring the proposed decision until after the transition date.
 - iv. Any information about relevant dates for the proposed decision, including any considerations around urgency or the time-sensitive nature of the proposed decision.
6. The authority must provide any additional information about the request to the OPCA CEO at the OPCA CEO's request.

**Notice of a decision that an authority has made to address an emergency
(direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (b))**

7. Commencing on the Effective Date and until the transition date, where the authority makes a decision that is not subject to paragraph 1 by reason that the decision is made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, health, or property, the authority must give notice to OPCA CEO within 3 business days after making the decision.
8. The notice mentioned in paragraph 7 must describe the decision that was made and explain how the decision that was made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, the health of any persons, or to property.

General

9. In this Direction, a reference to the OPCA CEO means the Chief Conservation Executive of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, if a chief executive officer of OPCA has not yet been appointed.
10. In this Direction, a reference to an authority's approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year means the authority's final budget for the 2026 calendar year that was approved prior to the Effective Date. For greater certainty, if an authority has not yet approved its final budget for the 2026 calendar year prior to the Effective Date, the authority does not have an approved final budget for the 2026 calendar year for the purposes of this Direction.
11. The authority must ensure that any employee of the authority who is responsible for or involved in making a decision that is subject to this Direction is made aware of this Direction, and the authority must require these employees to take all steps necessary to ensure the authority complies with this Direction.
12. This Direction applies to the conservation authorities listed in Appendix "A" to this Direction.
13. For greater certainty, this Direction also applies to the conservation authorities listed in Appendix "A" to this Direction when such conservation authorities are meeting as a source protection authority under the *Clean Water Act, 2006*.
14. This Direction is effective from May 1, 2026 (the "**Effective Date**") to the transition date, within the meaning of the *Conservation Authorities Act* (i.e., February 1, 2027 or such later date as may be prescribed by the regulations).
15. This Direction may be amended in writing from time to time at the sole discretion of the Minister.



Todd McCarthy
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
May 1, 2026

Appendix A

LIST OF CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES TO WHICH THE DIRECTION APPLIES

Ausable Bayfield CA	Lower Trent Region CA
Cataraqui Region CA	Maitland Valley CA
Catfish Creek CA	Mattagami Region CA
Central Lake Ontario CA	Mississippi Valley CA
Credit Valley CA	Niagara Peninsula CA
Crowe Valley CA	Nickel District CA
Essex Region CA	North Bay-Mattawa CA
Ganaraska Region CA	Nottawasaga Valley CA
Grand River CA	Otonabee Region CA
Grey Sauble CA	Quinte Region CA
Halton Region CA	Raisin Region CA
Hamilton Region CA	Rideau Valley CA
Kawartha Region CA	Saugeen Valley CA
Kettle Creek CA	Sault Ste. Marie Region CA
Lake Simcoe Region CA	South Nation River CA
Lakehead Region CA	St. Clair Region CA
Long Point Region CA	Toronto and Region CA
Lower Thames Valley CA	Upper Thames River CA

Appendix B

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT FOR THE MINISTER'S DIRECTION ISSUED UNDER SECTION 1.14 OF THE CAA

The following sets out additional information and guidance for authorities in relation to the Minister's Direction issued May 1, 2026 under s. 1.14 of the CAA.

The ministry strongly encourages conservation authorities to contact the Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency (OPCA) at CCEO@ontario.ca if an authority is uncertain about the scope, application or requirements of this direction. OPCA can help clarify whether a proposed decision is subject to this Direction and how the authority can ensure it complies with this Direction.

As paragraph 11 of the Direction provides, if any decisions covered by the Direction are made by employees of the authority, the authority has the obligation to ensure that their employees are aware of this Direction and that the authority seeks prior authorization in accordance with the Direction before the decision is made.

The CAA provides that, if an authority makes a decision in contravention of a direction issued under clause 1.14 (1) (a), the authority's decision has no effect and any agreement that the authority enters into that is in contravention of the direction is void.

Request and OPCA CEO Decision Process

Making a Request

After a conservation authority determines that a proposed decision requires authorization from the OPCA CEO, the authority may make a request for authorization via email to CCEO@ontario.ca containing the following required information:

- A description of the decision that the authority is seeking authorization to make, including details of the proposed decision and why the proposed decision is a decision that is subject to paragraph 1 of the Direction.
- A resolution of the authority supporting the proposed decision.
- An explanation for why authorization should be granted, including any risks associated with deferring the proposed decision until after the transition date.
- Any information about relevant dates for the proposed decision, including any considerations around urgency or the time-sensitive nature of the proposed decision.

Any notices of decisions required to be given to OPCA CEO under paragraph 7 of the Direction should also be sent via email to CCEO@ontario.ca.

Confirmation of Receipt

Once the OPCA (or Office of the Chief Conservation Executive (OCCE) if the OPCA CEO has not yet been appointed), receives a request from the authority that includes the required information, the authority will be notified by OPCA that the request has been received and the timeline for a decision. The OPCA will also inform the Ministry's Conservation Authorities Section (CAS) (via ca.office@ontario.ca) that a request for written authorization has been received. In addition, if the authority provides notice under paragraph 7 of the Direction of a decision made for the purpose of alleviating an immediate danger to human life, health, or property, the OPCA will inform the CAS.

If, upon review by the OPCA CEO, it is determined that a decision is not subject to the requirement for prior written authorization, the authority will be notified as soon as possible that the decision is not subject to this Direction.

Consideration of Request

The OPCA CEO will endeavour to make a decision on the request in a timely manner and not more than 30 calendar days from the day of receiving the request that is accompanied with the required information. Where the complexity of the request or the need for additional information necessitates, written notice will be provided to the authority by the OPCA of any additional time needed to issue a decision.

The OPCA CEO may consult on an authority's request with the relevant transition committee and project executive that has been appointed by OPCA for that authority. . The OPCA CEO may also require the authority to provide additional information if needed to support their consideration of the request.

Decision

The OPCA CEO may make the following types of decisions on a request for written authorization:

- Grant authorization to the authority to proceed with making the decision that was the subject of the request, in whole or in part (i.e., authorize the authority to proceed in a more limited manner than what was requested).
- Deny authorization, including in circumstances where, in the opinion of the OPCA CEO, the decision would not be in the best interest of the future regional conservation authority, or it would be more appropriate to defer the decision to the future regional conservation authority.

The decision of the OPCA CEO on the request will be given in writing to the authority and will include a rationale for the decision if the decision is to deny authorization or only grant authorization in part. The Ministry's CAS will also be notified of the OPCA CEO's decision.

Where an authority's proposed decision is authorized by the OPCA CEO, or where the proposed decision has been authorized but only in part, this in no way compels the authority to proceed with the decision. In all cases, the authority retains the sole power to determine whether to proceed with any decision that has been authorized by the OPCA CEO.

Reconsideration

There is no process for reconsideration of an OPCA CEO decision on a request for authorization under the Direction.

An authority whose request for authorization is denied or granted only in part may request authorization again in accordance with the Direction at a later date if the circumstances have changed and the authority believes that these changes in circumstances would support the granting of authorization.

10.
CONSENT
AGENDA
ITEMS FOR
INFORMATION
PURPOSES

10.1

Landfill News Board

From: Administration <administration@calvintownship.ca>

Sent: Monday, May 11, 2026 9:23:42 a.m.

To: CAO <CAO@calvintownship.ca>; Public Works <publicworks@calvintownship.ca>; Fire <firedept@calvintownship.ca>; Clerk Calvin <Clerk@calvintownship.ca>

Subject: Landfill News Board

There is now a "news board" at the landfill.

This Saturday it was visited several times.

So far we have included (or will include tomorrow)

1. Business card section
2. Election information
3. Recycling information
4. Latest newsletter (March)
5. 2026 Census poster

If you have items you think should appear in the news board...

Please forward to me.

Thanks.

D.

Danielle Albright
Administrative Assistant
Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin
1355 Peddlers Dr., R.R.#2, Mattawa, ON. P0H 1V0
Ph: 705-744-2700 Ext. 201 | Fax: 705-744-0309
administration@calvintownship.ca

10.2

From: Brooke Piercey <Brooke.Piercey@dnssab.ca>

Sent: April 24, 2026 12:56 PM

Subject: DNSSAB 2025 Annual Report

Hi,

DNSSAB's 2025 Annual Report is now available and is being shared for your information.

You can view the Annual Report on our website here:



www.dnssab.ca/media

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Brooke Piercey (bruk peer-see), BA (Hons), SSW, Cert. Strategic PR
Communications and Executive Coordinator | Communications et
Coordonatrice exécutive
District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB) |
Conseil d'administration des services sociaux du district de Nipissing (CASSDN)

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United Counties of
Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry

RESOLUTION

MOVED BY Councillor Guindon

RESOLUTION NO 2026-69

SECONDED BY Councillor St. Pierre

DATE April 20, 2026

WHEREAS housing affordability remains a critical issue in Ontario and across Canada, with the national average home sale price at approximately \$675,000, making homeownership increasingly difficult for first-time buyers; and

WHEREAS under the current Ontario *Land Transfer Tax* regime, first-time home buyers may receive a rebate of up to \$4,000 toward provincial land transfer tax, which fully offsets the tax only on homes valued up to approximately \$368,000, a level substantially below the current average home price; and

WHEREAS at a home purchase price of \$675,000, the provincial land transfer tax before any rebate can exceed \$8,000, meaning that even with the current maximum \$4,000 rebate first-time buyers must pay a significant tax burden at closing that undermines housing affordability; and

WHEREAS the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry acknowledges and applauds recent efforts by the Province of Ontario and the Government of Canada to improve housing affordability, including measures to reduce or rebate GST/HST on new housing construction and purchases; and

WHEREAS the majority of first-time homebuyers in Ontario purchase resale homes rather than newly constructed units; and

WHEREAS the vast majority of residential real estate transactions in Ontario, including both resale and new homes, are subject to provincial Land Transfer Tax, meaning that enhancements to the Land Transfer Tax rebate would provide broader and more immediate financial relief to first-time homebuyers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry formally requests that the Province of Ontario consider amending the *Land Transfer Tax Act* to:

1. Increase the value threshold at which the first-time home buyer rebate fully offsets provincial Land Transfer Tax to a level that reflects current housing market realities (for example, to no less than \$675,000, aligning with the 2025 national average home price); and

2. Increase the maximum rebate amount available to first time home buyers accordingly (such as to a minimum of \$8,000, or a proportional figure tied to the new threshold) to meaningfully reduce upfront tax costs for first-time purchasers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT such amendments be designed to enhance housing affordability and access to homeownership for first-time buyers in urban, suburban, and rural communities alike; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the local Member of Provincial Parliament, all Ontario municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for consideration and advocacy.

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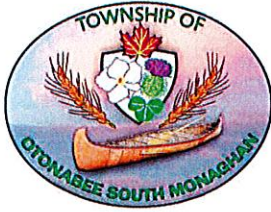
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Councillor Broad	_____
Councillor Densham	_____
Councillor Fraser	_____
Councillor Guindon	_____
Councillor Lang	_____
Councillor MacDonald	_____
Councillor McDonald	_____
Councillor McGillis	_____
Councillor St. Pierre	_____
Councillor Williams	_____
Warden Landry	_____



The Corporation of the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan

April 23, 2026

Sent via Email:

The Right Honourable Mark Carney, Prime Minister of Canada, pm@pm.gc.ca

Senator Robert Black, robert.black@sen.parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Steve MacKinnon, Minister of Transportation, steven.mackinnon@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

M.P. Emma Harrison, Emma.Harrison@parl.gc.ca

M.P.P. David Piccini, david.piccinico@pc.ola.org

Liberal Riding Association, ontario@liberal.ca

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Rgiroux@fcm.ca

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, amo@amo.on.ca

Rural Ontario Municipal Association, roma@roma.on.ca

Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, info@eowc.org

All Ontario Municipalities

Re: Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan Resolution - ALTO High Speed Rail

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan, at its meeting on April 20th, 2026 passed the following resolution:

R83-2026

The council of the Township of Otonabee South Monaghan wishes to formally register opposition to the ALTO High Speed rail project as it is currently proposed. We find the first round of consultation to be inadequate, and critical information is lacking. This includes but is not limited to:

- the location of the route and the social and economic impact that will divide communities,
- how landowners directly and indirectly affected by this route will be compensated,
- how much agricultural land will be taken out of production,
- how environmental impact will be mitigated,
- how municipalities will be compensated for land assessment loss,
- how many rural roads will be dead ended at the tracks,
- where overpasses will be constructed,

- how municipalities will be compensated for increased road maintenance and emergency response costs due to these closures,
- how a project which travels through a small section of Canada and benefits a very small percentage of our urban population can be considered “Nation Building”,
- a very weak and extremely long-term business case with no unknown long term financial impact,
- a project that will add substantially to an already crippling national debt load of approximately \$1.4 trillion, which currently costs Canadians about \$75 million/day to service.

Moved by: Nick Powers; seconded by: Bonnie Clark

Yes: Bonnie Clark, Joe Taylor, Mark Allen, Terry Holmes, and Nick Powers

Carried 5-0

Yours truly,
Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan



Liz Ross
Deputy Clerk

