

NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS (EA'S)

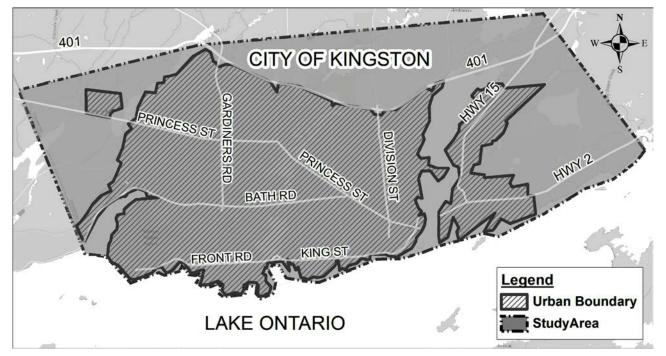
Water and Wastewater Master Plan Updates

The Undertaking

Utilities Kingston is updating their Water and Wastewater Master Plans to align with current population growth projections. The current Water Master Plan was completed in 2007 and the current Sewage Infrastructure Master Plan was completed in 2010, with both in need of updates given the number of infrastructure projects implemented since, as well as changes to future development plans within the urban boundary. The Updates to the Water and Wastewater Master Plans will identify infrastructure strategies for water and wastewater servicing within the City of Kingston's urban area and within the satellite community of Cana, based on planned growth to 2036.

Study Area

The area considered in the Study is illustrated in the Figure below.



Study Process

The Updates to the Water and Wastewater Master Plans will be prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) process (October 2000, as amended in 2007 & 2011). Development and evaluation of servicing alternatives for both the water and wastewater systems will be undertaken concurrently to ensure use of common growth assumptions and maximize coordination of major capital works.

The Master Plans do not require approval under the EA Act, however any specific projects identified within the Master Plans must fulfill all Class EA requirements. Based on this, the Master Plan

Updates are following Approach #1 in the Class EA which entails completion of Phases 1 and 2 for any Schedule A and A+ projects identified. Additional Class EA studies would therefore be required to satisfy the requirements for any Schedule B and C projects.

A phasing plan for recommended infrastructure will be developed.

Public Consultation

Public consultation is vital to the success of both the Water and Wastewater Master Plan Updates. Utilities Kingston and WSP Canada Inc. want to ensure that anyone interested in either study has the opportunity to get involved and provide input. To provide opportunity for such input, Utilities Kingston and WSP Canada Inc. are committed to maintaining multiple channels for public engagement including hosting Public Information Centres, maintaining a project web page containing up to date information on the project and posting updates and soliciting public feedback through the use of social media sites such as Facebook and Twitter. Two Public Information Centres will be held to present and consult with the public with on topics such as the Study's Problem/Opportunity Statement, the proposed servicing alternatives and the recommended servicing alternatives.

Project updates and notices will be posted on Utilities Kingston's website (http://www.utilitieskingston.com/Wastewater/Projects/MasterPlans2015) and Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/UtilitiesKingston). Residents and interested parties are encouraged to regularly visit the website to find out more about the Study.

Additional Components of the Master Plan Updates

Utilities Kingston has identified additional tasks to be completed as part of the Master Plan Updates:

- A water distribution system operational plan, required to establish how the water system must be operated when the central and west water distribution systems are integrated into one interconnected system.
- An update to the Pollution Prevention Control Plan (PPCP), needed to meet the requirements of the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change's (MOECC's) Procedure F-5-5.
- Basic condition and capacity assessments of the water and wastewater facilities. The results of these assessments will be used as input for analyzing the systems under existing and future conditions and for developing infrastructure upgrade recommendations.

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If you wish to comment on this project or receive information, please contact one or more of the studies' representatives listed below. Comments are welcome at any time during the study.

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Comments and information regarding these Municipal Class Environmental Assessments are being collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments received will become a part of the public record.

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