

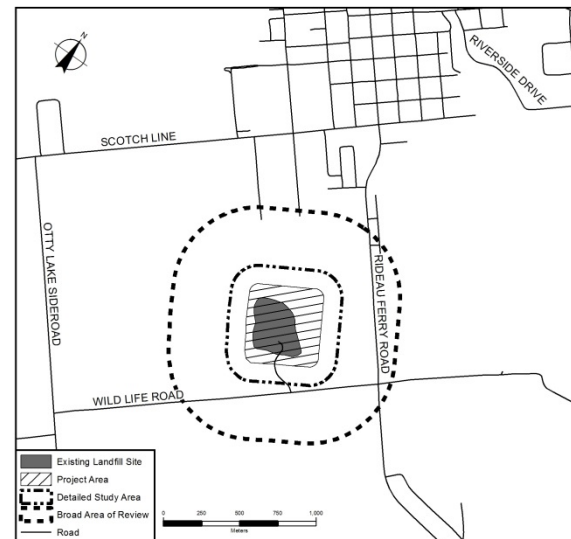


**Notice of Commencement of Environmental Screening Project  
Notice of Public Participation Opportunity  
Notice of Termination of Individual Environmental Assessment Process  
Solid Waste Disposal Environmental Assessment Study  
to serve the Town of Perth**

The Town of Perth initiated an Individual Environmental Assessment (EA) during 2013 to address the Town's future solid waste disposal needs. Based on guidance provided by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) the Town now intends to use an Environmental Screening Process in place of the individual EA. This new Environmental Screening Process will be carried out under Ontario Regulation 101/07 of the *Environmental Assessment Act (EA Act)*. The Study Area currently identified for the Environmental Screening Process is illustrated below.

**Background**

An Individual Environmental Assessment (EA) began in 2013 to explore options for the Town of Perth's future solid waste disposal needs. The Town's existing landfill, located on part of Lots 27 and 28 Concession 10 in the Town of Perth, Ontario, had reached its approved capacity. The landfill provides an important service to the Town's residents and businesses, so new disposal capacity was (is) needed. A draft EA Terms of Reference (TOR) was published in 2015. It summarized a methodology for determining and evaluating solutions for waste disposal. It included a preliminary plan for consultation and described further studies required to limit impacts of potential solutions. Following TOR review, the MOECC encouraged the Town to instead undertake an Environmental Screening under *EA Act*. This approach will allow the addition of up to 100,000 m<sup>3</sup> of waste disposal volume at the current landfill, representing approximately 10 years of additional capacity. The Environmental Screening Process is expected to be completed during 2016. This notice also informs interested parties that the Individual EA Process is now terminated.



The Environmental Screening Process involves:

- Identification of the problem or opportunity
- Application of screening criteria to identify potential environmental effects
- Consultation with members of the public, agencies and aboriginal groups to identify issues or concerns
- Completion of studies to assess potential environmental effects
- Development of impact and mitigation measures to address stakeholder concerns and ensure environmental, social and economic impacts are minimized
- Preparation of an Environmental Screening Report



## Public Participation

Members of the public, agencies, aboriginal groups and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning process by attending public information sessions, reviewing project information or contacting the Project Team directly with comments or questions. Public input will be sought throughout the planning process. At least one public information session will be held at a later stage in the process. The date, time and location will be advertised in a future published notice and on the Town's website.

We are currently soliciting public input on preliminary project information, which can be found on the Town's web site at:

[www.perth.ca](http://www.perth.ca) → Local Government → Environmental Services → Garbage and Recycling → Solid Waste Disposal Study

Preliminary project information includes:

- A checklist summarizing potential impacts resulting from the project; and,
- A preliminary report documenting the reasons for the project and potential impacts of the project.

Additional information will be posted as the Environmental Screening Process work progresses.

If you would like information concerning this project, to provide comments, or to be added to the project mailing list, please contact either of the following Project Team members:

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