

Elgin Area Primary Water Supply System Master Plan Notice of Study Commencement

The Elgin Area Primary Water Supply System (EAPWSS), through its consultant AECOM has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) Master Plan study to develop and assess a range of water servicing strategies to accommodate near, mid and long-term future growth, while maintaining the reliability and sustainability of the utility. See Map for existing infrastructure and member municipalities.



This MCEA Master Plan Study will document existing conditions, water demand forecasts, water modelling, and engage key stakeholders, the general public and Indigenous Communities and provide recommendations for the regional water system to address system growth and infrastructure needs to maintain levels of service.

The Process

This study will be completed in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act and will follow Approach #1 of the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class EA (as amended in 2020) Master Planning process. At the conclusion of the study, a suite of recommended water projects will be identified including the MCEA Schedule (Exempt, Schedule B or C) for any regional water supply system project(s). This Master Plan will be completed at a broad level of assessment,

therefore requiring more detailed investigations at project specific level for any recommended Schedule B or C projects.

The EAPWSS invites anyone with an interest in the study to have an opportunity to provide feedback and help inform the decision-making process. A Virtual Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held in June 2025, to introduce the study, present existing conditions, the alternative servicing strategies, evaluation criteria, and the recommended servicing strategies including the associated water projects and schedule. Invitation notices to the PIC will be emailed to those on the mailing list and will be posted on the Project Webpage:

https://www.huronelginwater.ca/elgin-area-water-supply-system-master-plan/

For more information or if you want to be placed on our mailing list for updates, please contact us at:

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The personal information submitted in relation to this Master Plan is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25 and will be reviewed to provide subsequent Master Plan study development, communications and events. With the exception of personal information, all comments will form part of the public record for this Master Plan in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, which is a planning process approved under Ontario's *Environmental Assessment Act*.

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