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Public Works Department

April 26, 2021

Attn: Property Owner in Study Area

Re: Howard/Bouffard Master Drainage Study

Dear Property Owner;

The Town of LaSalle is issuing this formal notice letter to provide an update status on the progress of the above referenced Master Drainage Study.

This study has been paused to allow for additional information to become available. Once this additional information is available, the consultant and the Town will review and determine the best possible method to reinitiate this study.

We know how important it is to be moving forward with this study in a timely manner. However, we felt that this pause will allow necessary additional engineering work to be completed in order to identify a recommended infrastructure solution for this drainage area that is cost-effective for all the affected landowners and communities involved.

The following sections provides a little more information on the rationale for this pause, timelines, and reinitiating process.

Reason for Delay

Initially in March of 2020, the COVID 19 pandemic caused an unforeseen delay/pause to this project. Subsequent to the initial pandemic delay in March 2020, throughout 2020, additional information had become available to the Town of LaSalle that has caused further delay/pause on this project.

This project is highly dependent on an existing overflow/spillover from the Turkey Creek Watershed into the Canard River Watershed. After this initial pandemic delay, in and around the middle of 2020, the Town of LaSalle became aware of additional information arising from studies being conducted outside of our jurisdictional boundaries.

Upon discovery of this additional information, it was determined that there may be some significant impacts on the extents and quantity of the overflow/spillover occurring into the



Howard/Bouffard Master Drainage Study area from the Turkey Creek watershed which is the main subject of the study. Thus, LaSalle coordinated a meeting between the Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA), City of Windsor, Town of Tecumseh and Town of LaSalle. It was determined that ERCA would take the lead and coordinate a separate more comprehensive Turkey Creek Watershed study to better inform various affected studies occurring in all three municipalities.

This separate study is just currently underway and may take anywhere from 7 to 10 months to complete.

As more information becomes available, we will continue to update this projects website. Once it is determined that appropriate information is available for the Town to continue with this study, notices will be sent out on how we restart the engagement process, most likely requiring an additional public consultation meeting.

For status inquiries on the larger study for the Turkey Creek Watershed, please contact ERCA at the following;

James Bryant, P.Eng. – Director of Watershed Management Services jbryant@erca.org

Email subject line: Turkey Creek watershed - Status

Should you have any further questions/concerns with the Howard Bouffard Study, please feel free to speak with Town of LaSalle staff noted below. You can also visit the project website www.lasalle.ca/hbmds to review any of the past information on this project

Regards,

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