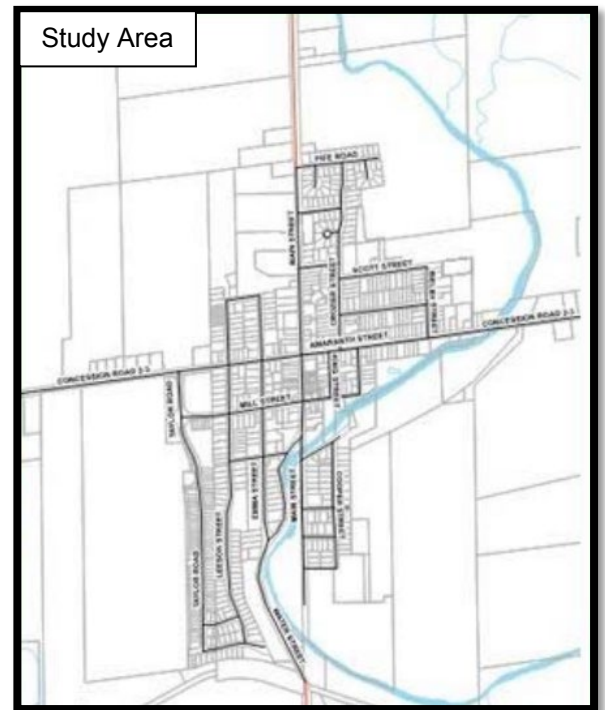


**NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION
MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
Grand Valley Water and Wastewater Master Plan**

The Study

The Town of Grand Valley (Town) retained R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited (Burnside) to complete a Master Plan Class Environmental Assessment to identify and evaluate alternative solutions to meet existing and future water and wastewater demands. Prior to 2014, The Town had an urban population of approximately 1,500 and constructed infrastructure to accommodate the mature state urban population in its Official Plan, which was 2,950. In 2014, approval was given to change the Official Plan such that the mature state urban population increased to 6,145. This amendment was premised on the certainty that services could be provided to the new future population, but no infrastructure plans were put in place. The Town completed a Master Plan to address the problem of how Grand Valley can provide water and wastewater infrastructure to meet the demands in the community as it achieves the growth that is approved in the Official Plan. The approximate extent of the study area is shown on the map. The preferred solution for wastewater infrastructure is rerouting the existing Water Population Control Plant (WPCP) and constructing an equalization tank to act as an interim solution that can be implemented in the short-term, followed by the completion of a Schedule C Environmental Assessment, design, tender and construction of a WPCP expansion. The preferred solution of water infrastructure is the construction of two new groundwater wells (one installed in the short-term and the second installed in the future), and the construction of an elevated water storage tower.



The Process

The Study followed the requirements of Phases 1 and 2 of the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* process described in the Municipal Engineers Association guide (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011, & 2015), which is an approved process under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*.

The Class EA process included consultation with the public, stakeholders and review agencies. A Notice of Study Commencement inviting public input was published on July 24, 2017. A Public Information Center (PIC) was held on November 1, 2017. Various studies were completed to assess potential environmental, social, cultural and economic effects of the proposed alternatives. These included natural environment assessments, tree inventory and impact assessments, wildlife assessments and an assimilative capacity study. Alternative solutions were evaluated for the areas within the Official Plan boundary. Alternative design concepts and evaluation factors were updated based on consultation with review agencies, First Nation communities and stakeholders. Natural environmental and social mitigation measures were established based on potential adverse impacts.

Master Plan Report

A Master Plan Report has been prepared to document the planning and decision-making process for this study. By this notice, the Master Plan is being placed on the public record and is available for a 30-day review period starting March 21st, 2019 and ending April 19th, 2019 in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class EA. An electronic copy of the Master Plan is available for viewing on the Town's website, and hard copies are available at the following locations:

Town of Grand Valley
5 Main Street North
Grand Valley, ON L9W 5S6
Mon-Fri: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Grand Valley Public Library
4 Amaranth Street E
Grand Valley, ON L9W 5L2
Mon and Fri: 10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Tues – Thurs: 10:00 am – 8:00 pm
Sat: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Phone: (519) 928-5652

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Please provide your written comments on the Master Plan by contacting either of the following Project Team members (contact details below) by April 19th, 2019.

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If concerns arise regarding this project which cannot be resolved through discussion with the Town, the person or party with the concern may submit a written request to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks to make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses Individual Environmental Assessments. Part II Order Requests must be submitted using a standard form available on the Provincial Forms Repository website (<http://www.forms.ssb.gov.on.ca/>). The form can be found by searching either "Part II Order" or "012-2206E" (the form ID number) on the Repository's main page. The completed form for Part II Order Request must be received by the Minister (addresses are provided on the bottom of the form) by 4:30 pm on April 19th, 2019. A copy of the completed form for Part II Order Request should also be sent the Director, Environmental Approvals Branch and to the Town of Grand Valley project team by this time and date. If no request is received by April 19th, 2019, the Town intends to proceed with detailed design and construction as outlined in the PFR subject to Provincial agency approval and Municipal priorities and budgets.

Project and notice information will be made accessible upon request in accordance with the Accessibility Standard for Information and Communication under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*.

Information will be collected and maintained to meet the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and for the purpose of creating a record that will be available to the general public as described in Section 37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments and personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location will become part of the public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact the Ministry's Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1434.

This notice issued March 21st and March 28th, 2019.