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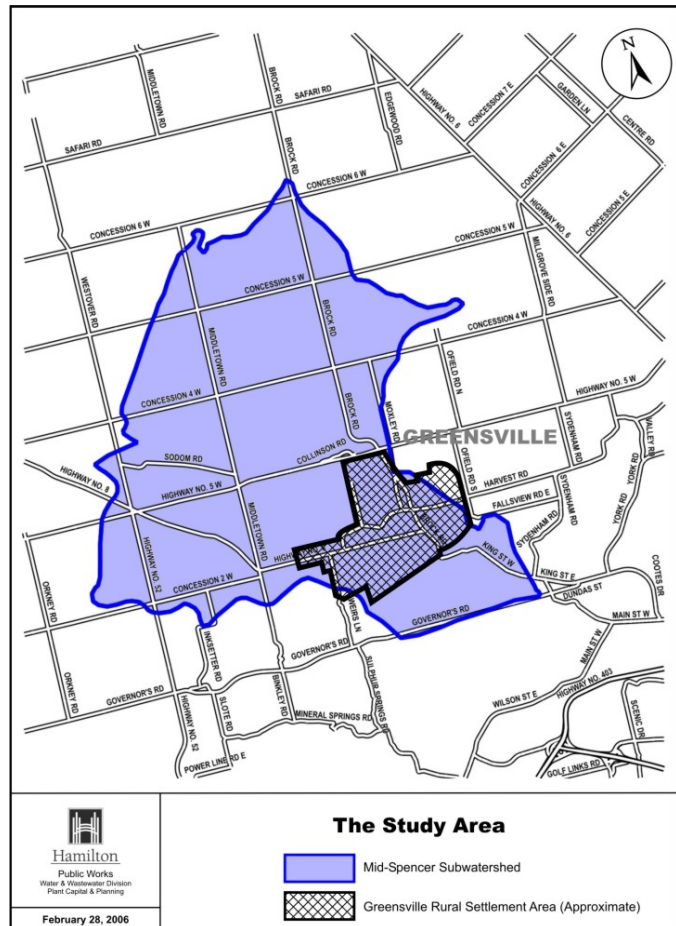
# MID SPENCER CREEK/GREENSVILLE RURAL SETTLEMENT AREA SUBWATERSHED STUDY NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT AND PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

## THE STUDY

The Subwatershed Study for the Mid-Spencer Creek and Greensville Rural Settlement Area (RSA) is one of a series of master planning initiatives that the City of Hamilton is embarking on to provide guidance for settlement area planning over the next 30 years. Residences in the Greensville RSA and the subwatershed are currently serviced by private septic systems and groundwater-sourced municipal communal, private communal or individual wells.

A Secondary Plan was prepared for Greensville in 1992 and the land use policies and development are outlined in Official Plan Amendment 13 (OPA 13) to the Official Plan for the (former) Town of Flamborough. OPA 13 identifies the future growth pattern studies that are required for the Greensville Settlement Area, including a Comprehensive Servicing Study to “provide guidelines to determine the extent and density of residential development that can be sustained without degradation of the quality or quantity of ground and surface waters within and outside the Secondary Plan Boundary”. The servicing study forms part of the current Subwatershed Study.

The Study will set a management strategy for surface water (streams, stormwater), groundwater, community servicing (water and septic) and natural areas (wetlands, woodlots) as development proceeds on designated lands within the RSA. The goal of the Study is to protect and enhance the ecological processes, functions and significant natural features of the area, providing a framework through which future growth may be established and undertaken in a manner which is environmentally sound and socially and economically sustainable.



## THE PROCESS

The Study will start with an examination of the existing water quality and quantity conditions in the study area. This data will be used to analyze the potential impacts of future land uses and result in the development of a management strategy to ensure sustainability and protection of critical elements of the subwatershed. The final stage of the study will involve implementation of the management strategy recommendations and a comprehensive monitoring program.

The Study will be conducted as a Master Plan and satisfy Phases 1 and 2 of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Municipal Class Environment Assessment Act (Class EA) process. Stakeholder consultation is an important part of the EA process, and a key component of the study.

#### **PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE No. 1**

This Public Information Centre will be held to present existing conditions information, and obtain feedback about the study.

The Public Information Centre will also have information about the Clean Water Act which has been passed by the Ontario Legislature to protect municipal drinking water sources. There will be a presentation and workshop about related issues concerning well and septic systems. Staff from the City, the Hamilton-Halton Watershed Stewardship Program and the Ontario Rural Wastewater Centre will be available to speak with residents and provide information about best management practices associated with well and septic system management.

**DATE:** Wednesday, November 21, 2007  
**TIME:** 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Open House  
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Presentations and Workshop  
**LOCATION:** Christ Church, 92 Highway #8, Flamborough

A second public information centre will be held at a later date to present the recommended solutions. Upon completion of the study, a Project File Report will be available for public review and comment. Another advertisement will be published at that time, indicating where and how the public can have access to the report.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS INVITED**

There is an opportunity at any time during this process for interested persons to review outstanding issues and bring concerns to the attention of the Project Managers. If you have any questions or comments or wish to be added to the study mailing list, please contact:

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