



LAWSS Water Master Plan Update
NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT AND
PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #1

The Study

The Lambton Area Water Supply System (LAWSS) has initiated a study to review and update its 2015 LAWSS Master Plan. The LAWSS is owned by its member municipalities and operated by the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) on behalf of the LAWSS Joint Board of Management. LAWSS currently supplies water to over 100,000 customers within three Supply Systems that service the City of Sarnia, Village of Point Edward, Township of St. Clair, Municipality of Lambton Shores (Forest), Town of Plympton-Wyoming, Village of Watford/Township of Warwick and Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston.

The Master Plan study will review the 2015 water servicing strategy and identify capital project upgrades (e.g. new watermains, pumping or storage facilities) needed to provide sustainable municipal water and accommodate future growth in LAWSS member municipalities over the next 20 years and beyond.

The Process

The Master Plan Update will address the requirements of the first two phases of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) manual (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015), which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. The Master Plan will also fulfill requirements for select Schedule 'B' water supply improvement projects under the MCEA process.

How to Get Involved

Public input is essential to this study. LAWSS invites anyone with an interest in the study to have an opportunity to provide input, which will help the Project Team in the decision-making process. Two Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held over the course of the study. The first of two planned PICs will be presented in an online format with material available starting on December 14th on the Project's website at:

www.lawss.org/master-plan

The website will include a comment form to submit comments. PIC #1 will introduce the study and present the LAWSS constraints and opportunities, potential solutions, and evaluation criteria. A second PIC will be scheduled later to present the recommended servicing strategies, including associated capital projects. Similar advance notification will be provided.

The Project Team wants to hear from you! The deadline for the submission of comments following PIC #1 will be January 8th, 2020. Comments are also encouraged now and over the course of the study. If you have comments, require further information, or would like to be added to the study's mailing list to receive future notifications, please contact either:

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With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record of the Study. The Study is being conducted according to the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, which is a planning process approved under Ontario's Environmental Assessment Act.