

Notice of Completion

Beachfront Water Servicing Strategy in the Area of Colony Rd, Windmill Point Ln E/W and Staniland Park Rd

The Study

The Town of Fort Erie has completed a Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) to assess water servicing strategies for the beachfront neighbourhoods along Colony Road, Windmill Point Lane East/West, and Staniland Park Road. The area is currently serviced by an existing 3 km watermain which is experiencing operational, maintenance, and servicing issues due to its age and location. This study has identified a preferred water servicing solution which

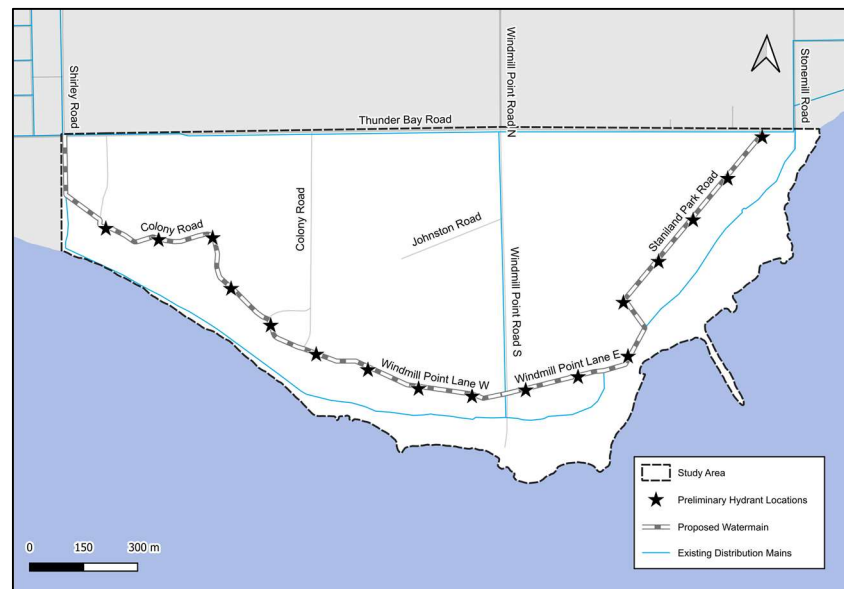


Figure 1: Preferred Water Servicing Solution

includes the relocation of the existing watermain generally along the existing roadways and the replacement with new hydrants along the new watermain route (**Figure 1**). This solution alleviates the existing operational issues while maintaining appropriate service levels for local residents.

The Process

The study has been completed as a Schedule B Class EA, satisfying Phases 1 and 2 of the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class EA process. This study has defined the problems and opportunities associated with the study area, developed and evaluated alternative strategies, determined a feasible solution, and identified methods to avoid or minimize impacts to the community and natural environment. Public and stakeholder input has been a key element throughout the Class EA process. Results are documented in the Project File Report (PFR), which has been submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks for review.

Get Involved

The PFR will be available for a 30-day public review period starting April 16, 2026 and ending May 16, 2026, in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class EA process. An electronic copy of the PFR will be available for public review on the Town of Fort Erie project webpage at: <https://letstalk.forterie.ca/beachfront-water-servicing-strategy-in-the-area-of-colony-road-windmill-point-lane-e-w-and-staniland-park-road>

Interested persons may provide written comments to our project team by May 16, 2026. All comments are requested to be sent directly to the Project Manager listed below. Previous study information, including the Public Information Centres and the study area expansion bulletin, is available on the above webpage.

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In addition, a request may be made to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order requiring a higher level of study (i.e., requiring an individual/comprehensive EA approval before being able to proceed), or that conditions be imposed (e.g., require further studies), only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate, or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests on other grounds will not be considered.

Requests should include the requester contact information and full name. Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (request for conditions or a request for an individual/comprehensive EA); how an order may prevent, mitigate, or remedy potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal and treaty rights; and any information in support of the statements in the request. This will ensure that the Ministry is able to efficiently begin reviewing the request.

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Please visit the Ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act at: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order>. A copy of the Section 16 Order request should also be sent to the Town's Project Manager below. All requests must be received within the 30-day public review period.

All personal information included in your request – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, under the authority of section 30 of the Environmental Assessment Act and in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. With the exception of personal information, all comments shall become part of the public record.

This notice was first issued on April 16, 2026.