



NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Hidden Valley Flood Risk Reduction

The Study: The City of Kitchener (the City) retained Matrix Solutions Inc. (Matrix) to provide a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for flood risk reduction in the Hidden Valley Creek subwatershed. There are several flood vulnerable areas and erosion vulnerable reaches in the downstream portion of the Hidden Valley Creek subwatershed close to Hidden Valley Road. This EA is being undertaken to define a flood risk reduction solution to reduce existing flood risks and support future development in the Hidden Valley community. The project is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act and is planned under Schedule B. The intent of this project is to identify alternative solutions to reduce the flood hazard in the vulnerable downstream reaches of the Hidden Valley Creek subwatershed.

Public Information Centre: A key component of the EA process is consultation with interested stakeholders (public, landowners, and agencies). As part of this study, consultation is being undertaken, and your participation is encouraged. A Public Information Centre (PIC) is planned to share the study background; explain the Environmental Assessment process; outline existing conditions; evaluation criteria; and the alternative solutions.

Public Information Centre

October 12, 2023

Drop-in format from 5 – 8 p.m.

Centreville Chicopee Community Center

141 Morgan Avenue, Kitchener

www.kitchener.ca/hiddenvalley

www.engagewr.ca/hidden-valley-flood-ea

We'd like to hear from you: Your input is important to us and can shape the project decision. We invite you to join our upcoming PIC to learn more about the alternative solutions, ask our team questions, and provide feedback. Listening to, and learning from, Indigenous Nations, residents and stakeholders is part of the process. If you are unable to attend the PIC, the presentation boards will be made available on the project website. To submit a comment or question via email, or if you have accessibility requirements to comment on the study, please contact one of the representatives below:

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Please note that comments will be maintained for reference throughout the project and will become part of the public record. Under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, any personal information such as name, address, and telephone number included in a submission will become part of the public record unless the comments specifically request that such personal details not be included in the public record.

This notice was first issued on September 29, 2023.