

Notice of Public Open House No.2

Municipality of Grey Highlands Markdale Wastewater Treatment Plant Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

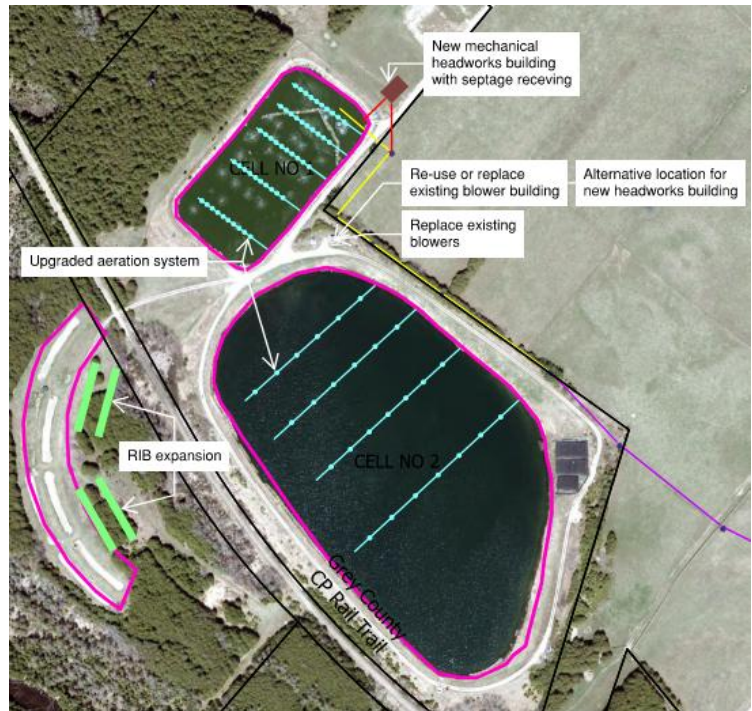
The Municipality of Grey Highlands has initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) to determine options to expand the capacity of the Markdale Wastewater Treatment Plant to service future development.

Background: In 2022, a Schedule 'C' Municipal Class EA process commenced to evaluate treatment servicing alternatives to address future wastewater needs in the community of Markdale. A Public Open House (Open House No.1) was held on September 28th, 2023 to provide an overview of completed studies and activities as well as present the recommended wastewater servicing alternative.

Current Status: Following Open House No.1, the preferred solution was identified as upgrading the existing lagoon WWTP. These upgrades include a new mechanical headworks building, an upgraded aeration system, and an expansion of the rapid infiltration basins. This will allow for a 50% increase in the plant's capacity rating, equivalent to a total WWTP flow rating of 2,580 m³/d.

The purpose of Open House No. 2 is to solicit feedback on the recommended design concepts for the preferred solution. This Public Open House will summarize the alternative design considerations and the evaluation process undertaken to develop the recommended design concept.

Public Consultation: Public and Agency consultation is a key element of the Class EA process. Among other consultation actions, The Municipality of Grey Highlands held Open House No.1 on September 28th, 2023. Consultation with local Indigenous communities has been conducted throughout this Class EA. A Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment is underway on undisturbed lands, with no archaeological potential found to date.



Members of the public are now invited to Open House No.2, which will present and solicit feedback on the recommended design concept. Public Open House No.2 is scheduled as follows:

Date: Thursday, December 11th, 2025

Time: Open House from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Walter Harris Memorial Library, 75 Walker St, Markdale ON.

If you have any questions regarding the study, please reach out to one of the contacts listed below. Project information is also available to the public on the Municipality's website at: <https://connectgreighighlands.ca/lagoonEA>.

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This study is being conducted according to the requirements of a Schedule C project under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process (October 2000, as amended in 2015 and 2023).

This Notice was issued on November 20, 2025.

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