

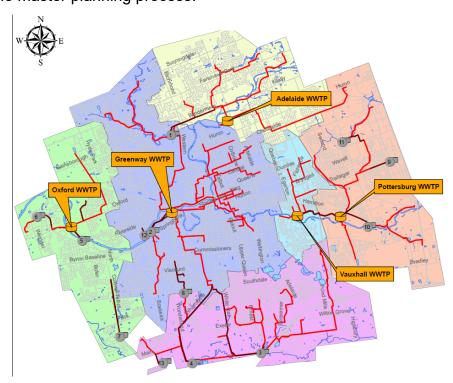
# **Notice of Study Commencement: Biosolids Management Master Plan**

Date: February 9, 2020

The City of London (the City) is updating its Biosolids Management Master Plan (the Master Plan) to ensure the City's biosolids are managed in a way that is sustainable, protects our environment, and has the capacity to handle the City's growing population.

### Study Area:

There are wastewater treatment facilities in every area of London, so this Master Plan will consider the entire city. How we manage the biosolids generated as part of the wastewater treatment process impacts all City residents and has the potential to affect our environment. Your feedback is an important part of the master planning process.



#### What are the Goals of this Study:

The Master Plan will look at how the City is currently managing and treating biosolids at our Wastewater Treatment Plants and guides how we will continue to meet the demands of our growing community over the next 30 years. The key focus is to develop a plan that ensures we respond to future population growth in a sustainable manner that protects the environment, while minimizing the financial and other potential nuisance impacts on the City's residents.

### **Proposed Project Timeline:**

The next steps related to this Master Plan are:

- Establish existing conditions and future needs and publish on webpage: March 2021
- Obtain public feedback and ideas during public engagement virtual meeting #1: April 2021
- Develop alternatives and present evaluation methodology: July 2021
- Obtain public feedback and ideas during public engagement virtual meeting #2: August 2021
- Present evaluation results and preliminary recommendations during public engagement virtual meeting #3: December 2021
- Prepare and post final Master Plan document for public review and comment: March 2022
- Finalize Master Plan document and place on City website: May 2022

## Study Webpage:

For the most up-to-date information related to the Biosolids Management Master Plan, please refer to the study webpage: <a href="https://london.ca/projects/biosolids-management-master-plan">https://london.ca/projects/biosolids-management-master-plan</a>

Here you will find updates regarding the status of this study, the dates of upcoming public engagement opportunities, background information, reports, figures and other material for your consideration. The study webpage also has a feedback form where you can submit your comments, questions or concerns at any time.

#### **Get Involved:**

The City wants to hear from you. This Master Plan would not be complete if it does not consider the needs of all of the City's residents and neighbours. If you would like to ask a question, make a comment or add your name to the contact list to receive updates, please contact the City of London Project Manager, or the City's Consultant, either through the study webpage or through your preferred means of communication:

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Please also watch the study webpage for future public engagement opportunities and study updates.

### **Municipal Class EA Process:**

This study is being undertaken in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process (MEA, 2000 as amended in 2007, 2011, and 2015). For details on this process, please refer to https://www.municipalclassea.ca/index.html or contact the City Project Manager listed above.

Thank you in advance for your participation and contribution to this important planning process that will impact the City of London for many years to come. We look forward to working with you to build a more sustainable and environmentally responsible city.

Sincerely,

Kyle Murray, P.Eng

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Copied: Kelly Scherr, Managing Director and City Engineer; all City Councillors

Please note that comments received 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 requests that such personal details not be included in the public record.