

## **MEMO**

**To:** Environmental Ecological Planning

**Advisory Committee** 

**From:** Emily Williamson, Ecologist | Planner

**Date:** May 6, 2021

Re: Draft Kelly Stanton ESA Ecological

Restoration Plan (ERP) Question

Responses

We have received the EEPAC questions from the March 2021 meeting agenda and followed up with internal City Staff in Stormwater Engineering.

1. Will there be a fish community study at some time in the near future? (Most recent 1995)

The Stanton Drain between Fanshawe Park Road and north of CP Rail was identified to be reconstructed, first by the Hyde Park SWM EA (AECOM 2009) and then confirmed by the Hyde Park SWM EA Addendum (AECOM 2020). If fish data is available in the 2020 report it will be included in the restoration plan.

The UTRCA may have some more recent fish data we could add to the plan and we have followed up with them for this data and will include any data circulated to City Staff it as appropriate.

2. Will there be restoration work on the creeks?

None planned in the section of the current ERP Study area. The Stanton Drain was restored by the City from south of Fanshawe Park Road to near the CP Rail tracks approx. 10 years ago. One last section remains to be restored north of CP Rail, west of Canterbury Park and will be completed in the next couple of years consistent with the Hyde Park SWM EA Addendum (AECOM 2020).

- a. Removal of the degraded culverts in the north block of Stanton creek. Response: ESA Team is reviewing removal and replacement of the culvert.
- b. Culverts under the railways checked for severe obstructions. Response: Maintenance of these culverts are the responsibility of the respective railways. The City may become involved if upstream flooding to municipal infrastructure or private properties are reported.