

Notice of Commencement – Terms of Reference for an Environmental Assessment Waste Management of Canada Corporation

Waste Management of Canada Corporation (WM), owners and operators of the existing Richmond Landfill Facility in Napanee, have initiated an Environmental Assessment (EA) seeking approval for a new landfill footprint at the existing Richmond Landfill facility. The new landfill footprint will be one component of the proposed Beechwood Road Environmental Centre (BREC). The proposed BREC will be an integrated waste management facility that will include:

- Waste diversion and recycling operations;
- Composting operations;
- Renewable energy facilities;
- · Recreational lands for community uses; and,
- A new landfill footprint for disposal of residual waste materials.

The new landfill footprint is the only component of the BREC that requires approval under the *Environmental Assessment Act* (EAA) and is the reason for this Notice of Commencement. The proposed location of the BREC and the new landfill footprint is within the Town of Greater Napanee in the area shown in the map below. The purpose of the EA is to identify alternatives for the landfill footprint and study the potential effects of the proposed new landfill footprint on the environment.

The Process

The new landfill footprint of the BREC requires approval under the EAA. The first step in the process is the preparation of a Terms of Reference (ToR). The ToR sets out the proponent's framework and work plan for addressing the EAA requirements when preparing the EA, including such things as the alternatives that will be considered and the public consultation activities. If approved by the Minister of the Environment, the ToR provides the framework and requirements for the preparation of the EA.

Want to Get Involved?

Members of the public, agencies and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning process by attending consultation events or contacting WM staff directly with comments or questions. Consultation opportunities will be advertised in local newspapers, on our project website (brec.wm.com) and by direct and/or electronic mail.

An initial **Public Open House** to discuss the draft ToR, including identification and evaluation of landfill footprint alternative methods, the consultation process that will be followed during the development of the EA, and the elements of the BREC facility, is scheduled for **Wednesday March 10th 2010 from 2 pm to 9 pm** at **The Royal Canadian Legion**, 26 Mill St East, Napanee, Ontario.

You are encouraged to attend and participate in helping us identify issues, interests or ideas to be addressed during the EA. A workshop on evaluation criteria and identification of alternative methods will be held on **Saturday March 27th 2010** from **9 am to 1 pm** at **The Royal Canadian Legion**, 26 Mill St East, Napanee, Ontario and a second Public Open House is tentatively scheduled for mid-May 2010 before the ToR is submitted to the Minister of the Environment for a decision.

In addition to attending the public open house events, you are invited to submit your comments via the project website (brec.wm.com), mail, email or fax to the address/number provided below. We will also receive your comments on our project information line at (613) 354-1060.

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Get Involved... Have Your Say!

