

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT
Swastika Wastewater Pollution Control Plant
Decommissioning and Sewer System Connection to Kirkland Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant
Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

The Town of Kirkland Lake is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to assess the feasibility and environmental impacts of the decommissioning of the existing Swastika Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) and pumping sewage flows to the newly constructed Kirkland Lake Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP). The study is being undertaken in accordance with the requirements for Schedule 'B' projects within the Municipal Class EA document (2000, as amended in 2015) approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

The Swastika WPCP was constructed in the 1980's. It treats sewage flows from the small community of Swastika within the Town of Kirkland Lake and discharges treated flows to Otto Lake. Many components of the WPCP have reached their end of estimated service life. The considerable energy, operations, and maintenance costs make the WPCP unsustainable in the long term. A sanitary sewer connection to the Kirkland Lake WWTP would result in significant benefits to the natural, social, and economic environments.

What will be included in the Class EA Study?

- Inventories of the existing natural, socio-economic, and cultural environments;
- Public, agency, and Indigenous community consultation;
- Consideration of existing serviced areas, potential connections of non-serviced areas and future growth areas, existing infrastructure, and new infrastructure requirements including pumping stations, forcemains, and gravity sewers;
- Identification of environmental impacts and mitigation measures for the preferred solution; and
- Completion of a Project File documenting the planning and decision-making process, to be placed on public record for a 30-day public review period.

Public input is vital to the EA process. A Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held in late 2017 to present project information and preliminary recommendations. Notification of the date, time, and location for PIC will be provided via similar notification.

To be added to the study mailing list or provide comment, please contact a member of the study team below:

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In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, with the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public. Comments and information received will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation.