



April 15, 2020

Dear Resident,

Re: Amherst Island Flood Damage Repair Work

Loyalist Township Staff is continuing work with its consultant to design the repairs to flood damaged roads on Amherst Island. At this stage of the project, a draft design has been prepared and is available for review on the project website. Please visit www.loyalist.ca/go/projects and click the link to Amherst Island Flood Repairs to find this information.

The planned public meeting is on hold due to the physical distancing precautions currently required. Public consultation is a critical component of our planning and design process and Loyalist Township remains committed to public engagement on this project, however we are still working through the logistics of how best to achieve this during these extraordinary times. Project information will continue to be placed on the project website, and you are encouraged to contact the undersigned at the phone number and email below at any time to discuss project concerns.

To assist us, and to protect you, we are requesting information about any private underground services you may have within the project area including shore wells, water lines, sump pump outlets or any other drainage line that may or may not be disturbed during construction (i.e. a line that may drain into the existing roadway ditch). Loyalist Township wants to ensure that none of these lines are blocked or damaged during the construction process.

Township Staff is aware that there may be inconsistencies or questions with respect to ownership of property outside the travelled portion of the road in certain areas where work is required for this project. Enclosed with this letter is a Site Access Construction Agreement authorizing Township staff to complete flood damage repair work on property outside of the travelled portion of the road, without prejudice to the right of either party to dispute the ownership of any portion of the shore of Lake Ontario in the future.

Township staff are booking appointments for meetings with property owners in the project area. Staff are able to meet virtually using Zoom, by telephone, or in person at the resident's property provided the meeting is outside, and appropriate physical distancing protocols are maintained. Other options may be possible and can be discussed on a case by case basis.

The purpose of these meetings is to discuss the Site Access Construction Agreement and any other project information or concerns. Please contact the undersigned at the phone number or e-mail below if you wish to set up a meeting. If you intend to execute the Site Access Construction Agreement without a meeting, please return it to my attention.

Note that this project is deemed critical construction under the Provincial Regulation made under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act and the Township will tender the project soon. Despite this, on-going elevated water levels may restrict the amount of work that can be undertaken in 2020. Project status and timing will be updated on the project website noted above as we continue to move through the design, permitting, and procurement process for this project.

I look forward to hearing your feedback and continuing to improve this on-going project with your support.

Yours truly,



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