

Statutory Public Meeting

Proposed Amendment to the Halton Hills Official Plan

Applicant: Dufferin Aggregates

Part of Lots 11, 12 and 13, Concession 1 (Esquesing)

File No: D09OPA21.005



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February 13, 2023

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT MATRIX

Spectrum of engagement	INFORM	CONSULT	COLLABORATE
Purpose	Communicate; share information to build awareness	Listen and learn; test ideas and concepts and develop recommendations	Actively participate; to partner to develop alternatives and/or recommendations
Town's responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide information including advising on applicable legislation that dictates process. • Share final decision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide information • Provide opportunity for public to share views, values and priorities. • Consider how recommendations could be incorporated • Share final decision • Report back on final decision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide information • Provide opportunity for public to share views, values and priorities. • Provide opportunity to influence where there are alternatives within a project that have been identified for discussion and fall within the scope of legislation. • Consider how recommendations could be incorporated • Share final decision • Report back on final decision
Public's responsibility	Learn	Participate	Partner



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Levels of Engagement:



INFORM



CONSULT



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On the Agenda

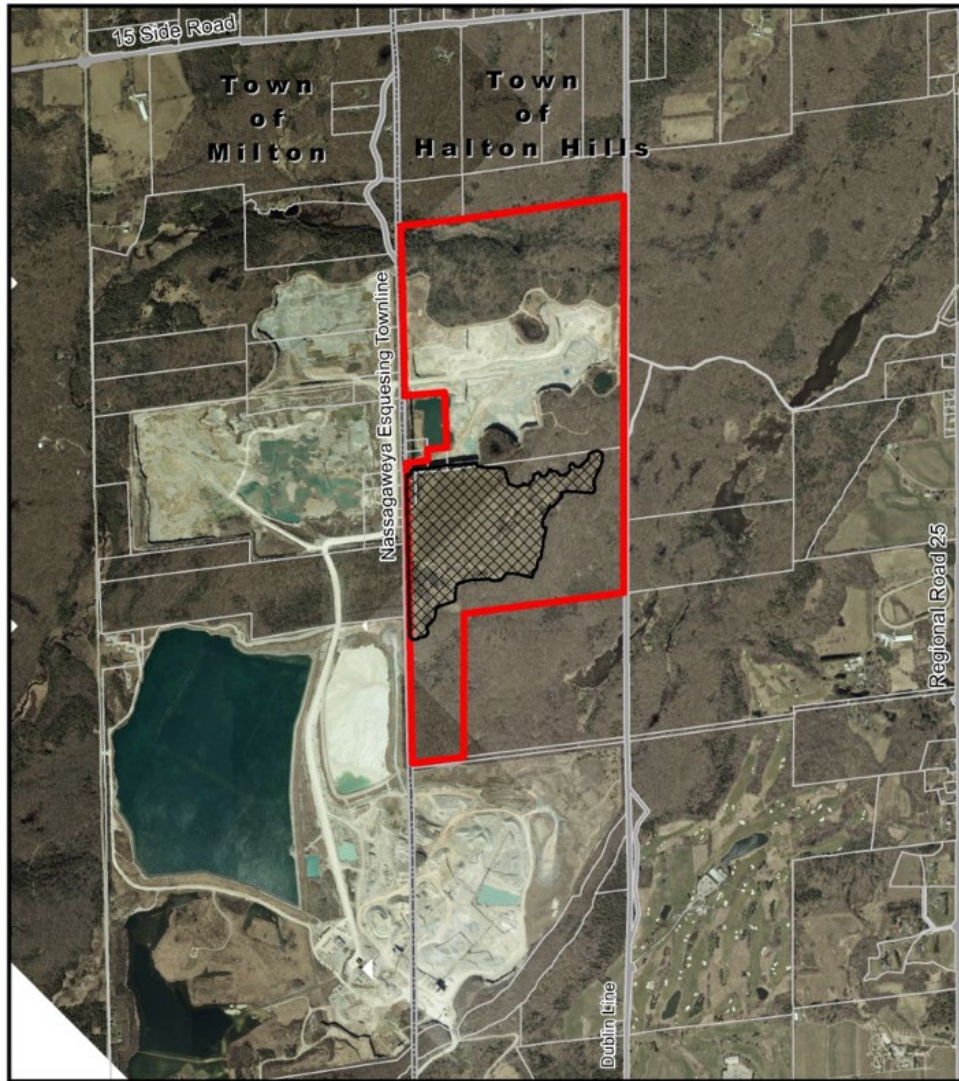


1. Site Location
2. Development Proposal
and Proposed Official Plan
Amendment
3. Site Context
4. Planning Context,
Application Status & JART
Review
5. Consultation and Future
Steps



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Site Location



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Site Context



Subject lands looking north toward existing Milton Quarry East



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Site Context



Looking west from subject lands to North Quarry



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Site Context



Looking east across subject lands



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Looking southerly across subject lands



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Site Context



Looking across existing Milton Quarry East to subject lands on the horizon



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Site Context



Rehabilitation works underway at existing Milton Quarry North



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ARA Site Plan



- Extension of existing Milton Quarry East southerly only subject lands further away from closest existing residential homes
- No change to haul routes or frequency of trips
- Depending on rate of extraction the expansion would provide 3 – 7 years of further extraction.



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Rehabilitation Plan

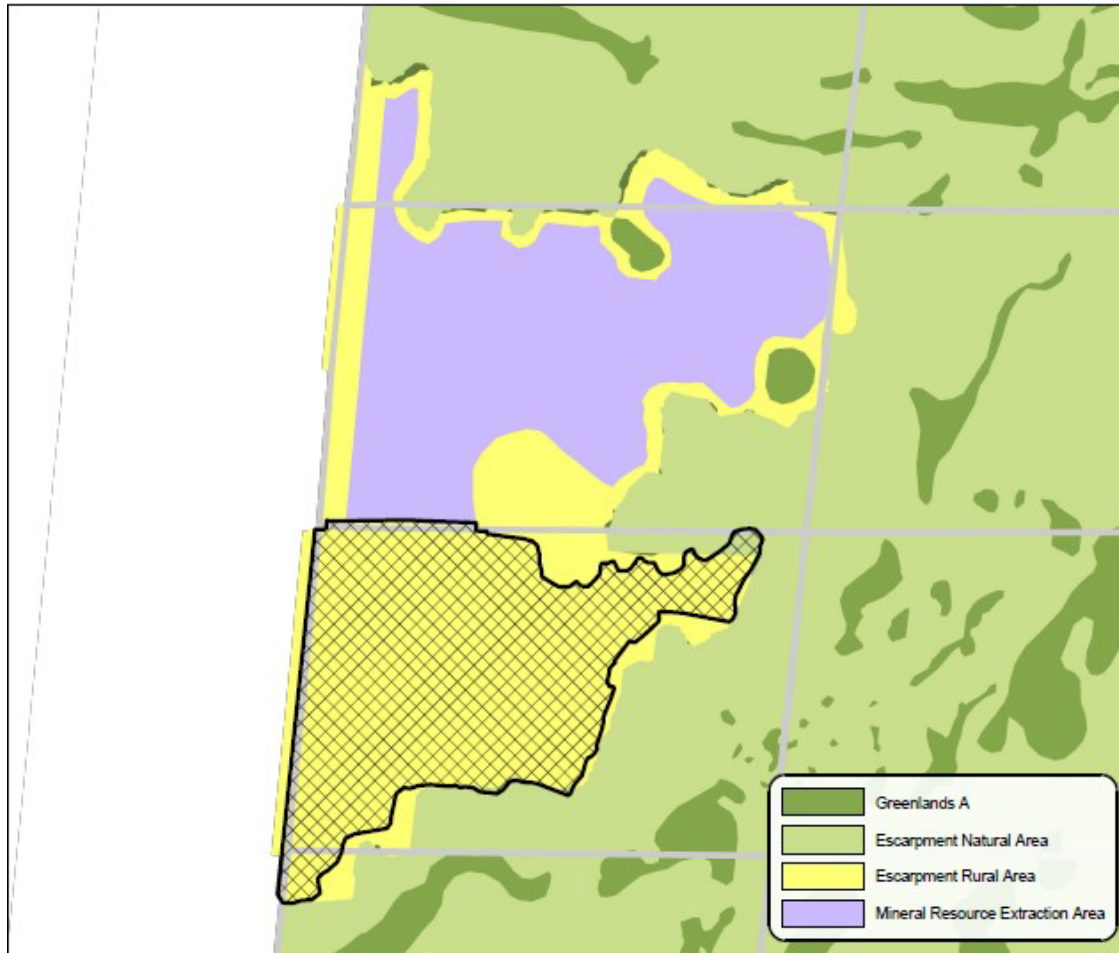


- Following extraction, rehabilitation is required to occur.
- The proposed expansion would be the last at the Milton Quarry.



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Town of Halton Hills Official Plan

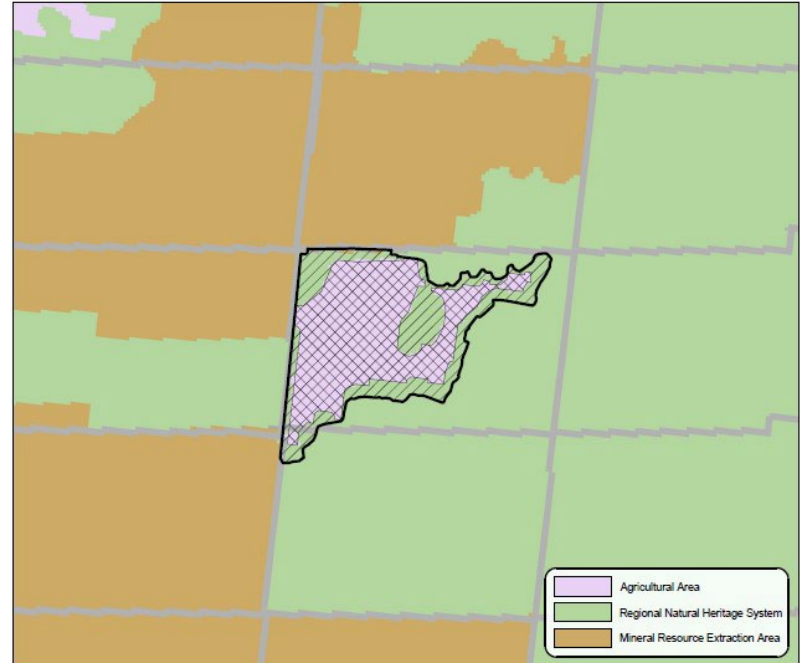
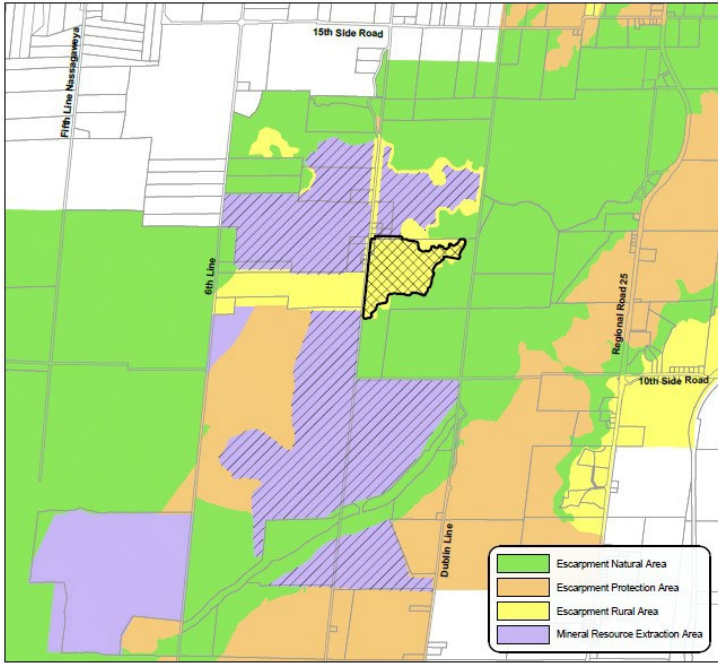


Redesignation from
“Escarpment Rural
Area” to “Mineral
Resource Extraction
Area”



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Other Applications



Similar Applications have been made for an amendment to the Niagara Escarpment Plan and to the Region of Halton Official Plan.

Planning Context

- Dufferin Aggregates have also applied for a license under the *Aggregate Resources Act* (ARA) and a NEC Development Permit.
- No decision on the application can be made until a NEPA decision.
- ARA license can't be issued unless the NEPA, ROPA and OPA are approved.
- The ARA license contains all the requirements imposed on Dufferin

JART Review

- Review of the Planning Applications is through a Joint Agency Review Team (JART).
- Multiple Halton Hills departments contribute to JART.
- JART coordinates the review of the detailed technical submissions and peer reviewers.
- JART is not a decision-making body, but the JART review informs each agencies own review.
- Future recommendation report to Council will include a JART report summarizing the review, applicant's responses, and how issues may have been resolved.



Application Review

- NEP, RHOP and HHOP contain criteria against which quarry applications are reviewed.
- Criteria deal with natural heritage protection, ground and surface water protection, air quality, noise, vibration, and blasting mitigation, transportation impacts, requirements for rehabilitation and monitoring amongst others.
- Post extraction, the lands must be redesignated out of “Mineral Resource Extraction Area” to a designation reflecting the rehabilitated state of the lands.

Application Review

- JART has reviewed the 1st technical submission.
- The Applicant has responded to 1st submission technical comments.
- JART continues to work with the applicants on issue resolution primarily regarding natural heritage (wetland and species protection, etc.), water resource management (groundwater and surface water protection), transportation, and noise and blasting mitigation.

Public Notification

- January 28, 2022 - Notice of Received Application mailed to all properties within 200 m of the subject lands
- February 3, 2022 – Notice of Received Application published in the Independent & Free Press
- January 19, 2023 – Notice of Public Meeting published in the Independent & Free Press (Courtesy Notice published on Feb. 9)
- January 20, 2023 – Public Meeting Notice mailed to all properties within 200 m of the subject lands

NOTE: Additional public notification occurred via public notice requirements of the Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment and Region of Halton Official Plan Amendment processes.

Public Comments

- Six pieces of correspondence from the public have been received.
- Two sought additional information.
- Four expressed concerns regarding impacts on their homes on 15 Side Road from the existing quarry operation (and that the expansion could exasperate these impacts).
- Noise, vibration, blasting and air quality technical reports are still under review.
- Public comments are included as part of JART review and will be addressed as part of any future recommendation report



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Future Steps

- JART continues to coordinate the technical review of plans and reports.
- Decision on Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment
- Decision on the Region of Halton Official Plan Amendment
- Final report to Council on the disposition of this matter which will include the JART Report (including responses to public comments).
- Decision on ARA license by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

THANK YOU



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