



BY-LAW NO. 2025-0037

A By-law to adopt Amendment No. 61 to the Official Plan of the Town of Halton Hills which includes amendments to the former Official Plan of the Region of Halton, 10305 to 10379 & 10479 Nassagaweya Esquesing Townline (Esquesing)
Part of Lots 11, 12 and 13, Concession 1
Town of Halton Hills, Regional Municipality of Halton
(File No. D09OPA21.005)

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills, is empowered to enact this By-law by virtue of the provisions of the Planning Act, 1990, R.S.O., c.p. 13, as amended;

AND WHEREAS Town of Halton Hills Official Plan Amendment No. 61 also amends the applicable land use schedules of the former Region of Halton Official Plan as pursuant to Bill 23, *More Homes Built Faster Act*, 2022, the Town of Halton Hills has assumed responsibility for administration and implementation of the Region of Halton Official Plan which now forms part of the Halton Hills Official Plan as it pertains to lands within the Town's municipal boundaries and that the Regional Municipality of Halton is no longer the approval authority for an Amendment to the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan;

AND WHEREAS on April 14, 2025, Council for the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No. PD-2025-011, dated March 3, 2025, in which certain recommendations were made regarding amending the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan and amending the former Region of Halton Official Plan to permit an expansion to the Milton Quarry onto lands municipally known as 10305 to 10379 & 10479 Nassagaweya Esquesing Townline (Esquesing).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Amendment No. 61 to the Official Plan of the Town of Halton Hills, which includes amendments to the former Official Plan for the Region of Halton that now forms part of the Halton Hills Official Plan as it pertains to lands within the Town's municipal boundaries, being the attached text and schedules, is hereby approved;
2. That the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to circulate the Official Plan Amendment as provided for by the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, regarding the appeal process.

BY-LAW read and passed by the Council for the Town of Halton Hills this 14th day of April, 2025.

MAYOR – ANN LAWLOR

CLERK – VALERIE PETRYNIAK

OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 61

TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS AND WHICH INCLUDES AMENDMENTS TO THE FORMER OFFICIAL PLAN FOR THE REGION OF HALTON THAT NOW FORMS PART OF THE HALTON HILLS OFFICIAL PLAN AS IT PERTAINS TO LANDS WITHIN THE TOWN'S MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES

PART A: **THE PREAMBLE** does not constitute part of this Amendment.

PART B: **THE AMENDMENT** consisting of the following Schedule and text constitutes Amendment No. 61 to the Official Plan for the Town of Halton Hills and which includes amendments to the former Official Plan for the Region of Halton that now forms part of the Halton Hills Official Plan as it pertains to lands within the Town's municipal boundaries.

**AMENDMENT NO. 61 TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN
OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS AND WHICH INCLUDES AMENDMENTS TO
THE FORMER OFFICIAL PLAN FOR THE REGION OF HALTON THAT NOW
FORMS PART OF THE HALTON HILLS OFFICIAL PLAN AS IT PERTAINS TO
LANDS WITHIN THE TOWN'S MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES.**

The attached text and Schedule constitute Amendment No. 61 to the Official Plan of the Town of Halton Hills and which includes amendments to the former Official Plan of the Region of Halton, which was adopted by the Council of the Town of Halton Hills by By-law 2025-0037 in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act, 1990. R.S.O., c.P. 13, as amended;

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

MAYOR – A. Lawlor

CLERK – V. Petryniak

PART A – THE PREAMBLE

PURPOSE OF THE AMENDMENT

This Amendment is intended to facilitate the expansion of the Milton Quarry onto lands municipally known as 10305 to 10379 & 10479 Nassagaweya Esquesing Townline (“subject lands”) within the former Esquesing Township of the Town of Halton Hills. The majority of the subject lands are currently designated Escarpment Rural Area in both the Town of Halton Hills and the former Region of Halton Official Plans, which does not permit mineral resource extraction activities. The Town of Halton Hills has assumed responsibility for administration and implementation of the Region of Halton Official Plan which now forms part of the Halton Hills Official Plan as it pertains to lands within the Town’s municipal boundaries.

The amendment changes the designation of the subject lands from Escarpment Rural Area to Mineral Resource Extraction Area in both the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan and of the former Region of Halton Official Plan in order to allow for the expansion of the Milton Quarry. The amendment also updates various other appendices and maps of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan and the former Region of Halton Official Plan to identify the lands as a Mineral Resource Extraction Area. A site-specific policy is also being applied that allows for installation of, access to and maintenance of the water management system within adjacent lands designated as Escarpment Natural Area and Escarpment Rural Area.

LOCATION AND SITE DESCRIPTION

The subject lands, municipally known as 10305 to 10379 & 10479 Nassagaweya Esquesing Townline, are located in the former Township of Esquesing, east of 6th Line Nassagaweya, north of Campbellville Road, west of Dublin Line and south of 15 Side Road. The portion of the lands subject to the Official Plan Amendments is approximately 30.2 hectares and of which, 15.8 hectares would see extraction occurring. The lands are currently vacant and contain a meadow landscape (which was historically farmed) and a small area of successional forest. Surrounding land uses to the property consist of the existing Milton Quarry (both portions in active extraction and those subject to rehabilitation) and natural open space areas (predominantly escarpment woodlands).

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

The following planning and land use considerations have been identified and are considered appropriate to provide for the Official Plan designation changes:

1. The proposed quarry expansion is consistent with the Provincial Planning Statement 2024 and conforms to the Greenbelt Plan and Niagara Escarpment Plan which allows for mineral resource extraction activities, subject to appropriate amendments to land use planning documents and satisfying a series of tests;
2. The proposed quarry expansion implements the decision of the Minister of Natural Resources to approve a Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment to redesignate the subject lands in the Niagara Escarpment Plan from Escarpment Rural Area to Mineral Resource Extraction Area;
3. A Joint Agency Review Team (JART) has reviewed all of the technical reports and materials submitted in support of the applications and is satisfied that the proposed quarry expansion can be undertaken in an environmentally responsible manner that protects the natural environment, does not impact surface and groundwater resources, minimizes impacts from blasting, noise, dust and vibration, and which utilizes existing transportation routes;

4. The quarry expansion would result in a net environmental gain in that a post extraction plan would result in the subject lands being rehabilitated to include lakes (as groundwater re-fills a portion of the quarry), artificial islands, shoals, new wetlands, rehabilitation to existing wetlands, and reforestation; and,
5. Council is satisfied that the quarry expansion satisfies the policies set out in the Halton Hills Official Plan and the former Region of Halton Official Plan pertaining to the designation of new Meral Resource Extraction Areas.

PART B – THE AMENDMENT

All of this part of the document consisting of the following Schedule and Text constitutes Amendment No. 61 of the Official Plan for the Town of Halton Hills and which includes amendments to the former Official Plan for the Region of Halton that now forms part of the Halton Hills Official Plan as it pertains to lands within the Town's municipal boundaries.

DETAILS OF THE AMENDMENT

The Official Plan for the Town of Halton Hills and the former Official Plan of the Region of Halton are amended as follows:

1. That Schedule A2 – Greenbelt Plan (of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan) is hereby amended by redesignating the subject lands as “Mineral Resource Extraction Area” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour and by marking with a number “2” and adding a solid red line around the lands as shown in Schedule ‘1’ to this amendment
2. That Appendix X2 – High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas (of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan) is hereby amended by identifying the subject lands as “Licensed Pits and Quarries” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour as shown in Schedule ‘2’ to this amendment.
3. That Section B4.4 of the Halton Hills Official Plan is hereby amended by adding a new subsection, which shall read as follows:

“B4.4.2 Special Policy Area 2

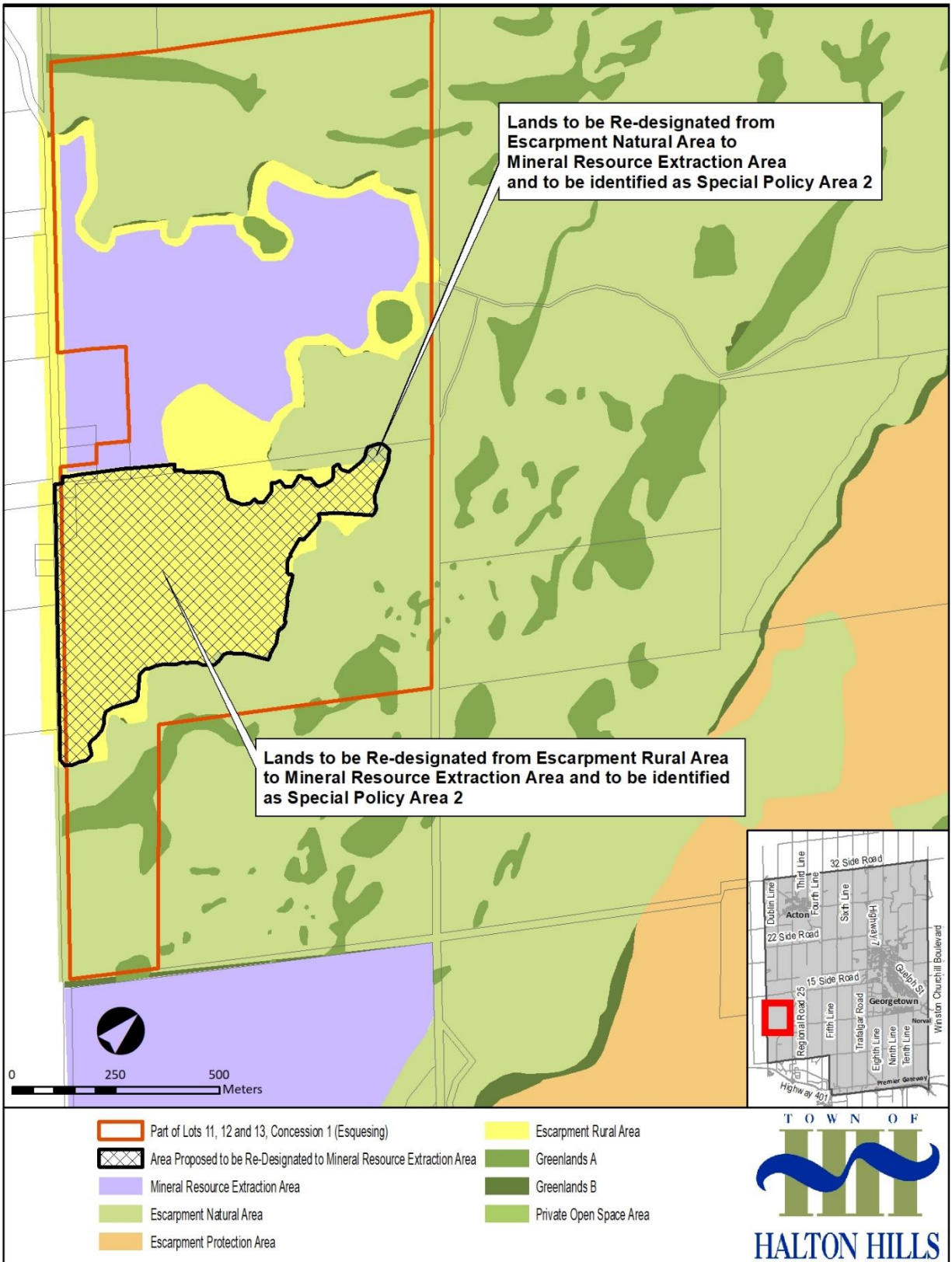
The *Escarpment Natural Area and Escarpment Rural Area* lands immediately abutting and adjacent to the lands identified as Special Policy Area 2 (designated as *Mineral Resource Extraction Area*, and delineated in the site plan of a license area approved under the *Aggregate Resources Act*) may be used for the installation of, access to, servicing and monitoring of the water management system for the quarry extension. Extraction shall not be permitted in the *Escarpment Natural Area or Escarpment Rural Area.*”

4. That Map 1 – Regional Structure (of the former Region of Halton Official Plan) is hereby amended by identifying the subject lands as “Mineral Resource Extraction Area” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour as shown in Schedule ‘3’ to this amendment.
5. That Map 1A – Provincial Plan Areas & Land Use Designations (of the former Region of Halton Official Plan) is hereby amended by identifying the subject lands as “Mineral Resource Extraction Area” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour as shown in Schedule ‘4’ to this amendment.
6. That Map 1D – Municipal Wellhead Protection Zones (of the former Region of Halton Official Plan) is hereby amended by identifying the subject lands as “Mineral Resource Extraction Area” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour as shown in Schedule ‘5’ to this amendment.
7. That Map 1E – Agricultural System and Settlement Areas (of the former Region of Halton Official Plan) is hereby amended by identifying the subject lands as “Mineral Resource Extraction Area” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour as shown in Schedule ‘6’ to this amendment.
8. That Map 1F – Identified Mineral Resource Areas (of the former Region of Halton Official Plan) is hereby amended by identifying the subject lands as “Mineral

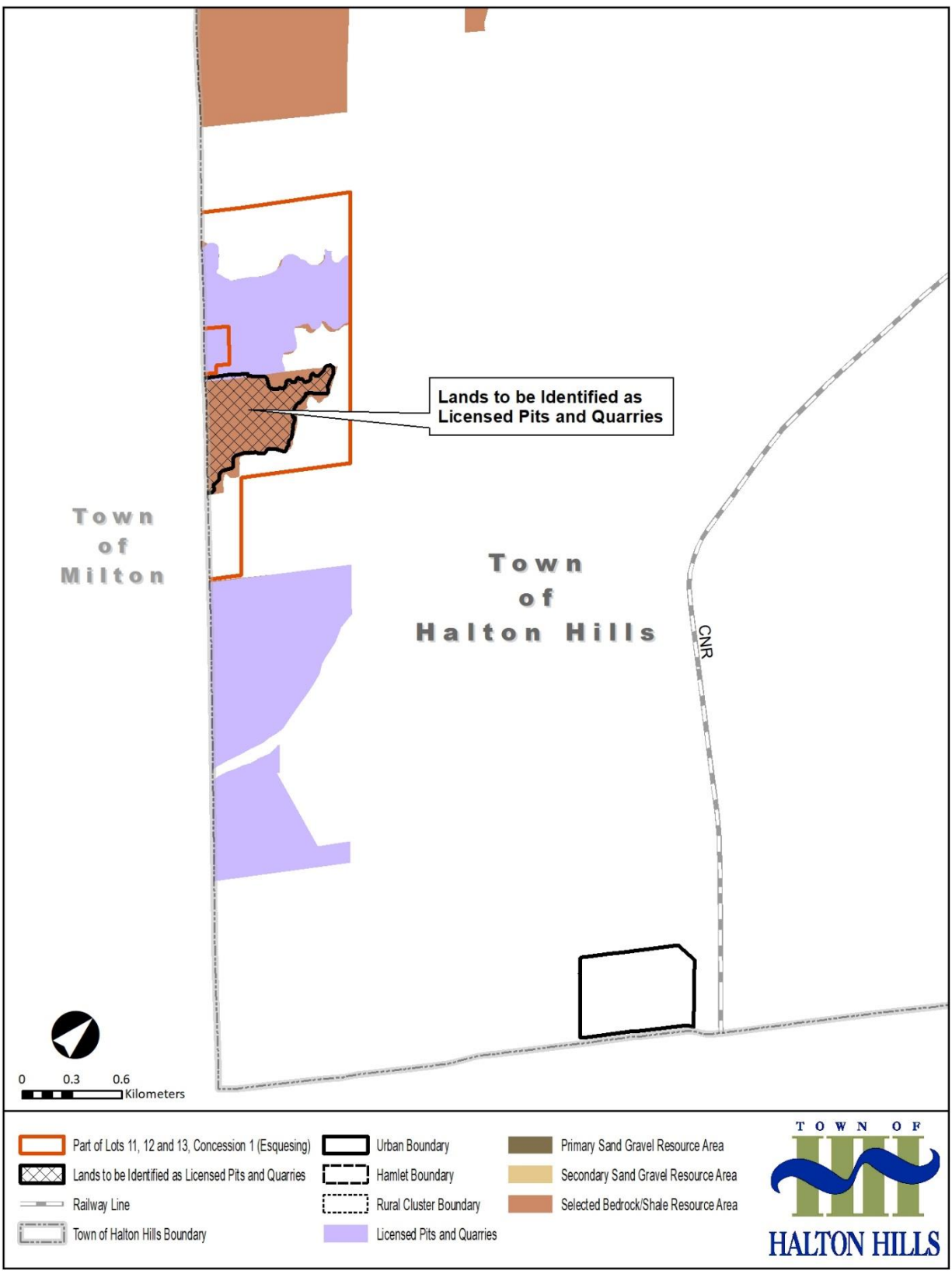
Resource Extraction Area” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour as shown in Schedule ‘7’ to this amendment.

9. That Map 1G – Key Features within Greenbelt and Regional Natural Heritage Systems (of the former Region of Halton Official Plan) is hereby amended by identifying the subject lands as “Mineral Resource Extraction Area” by colour-coding the subject lands with the corresponding colour as shown in Schedule ‘8’ to this amendment.

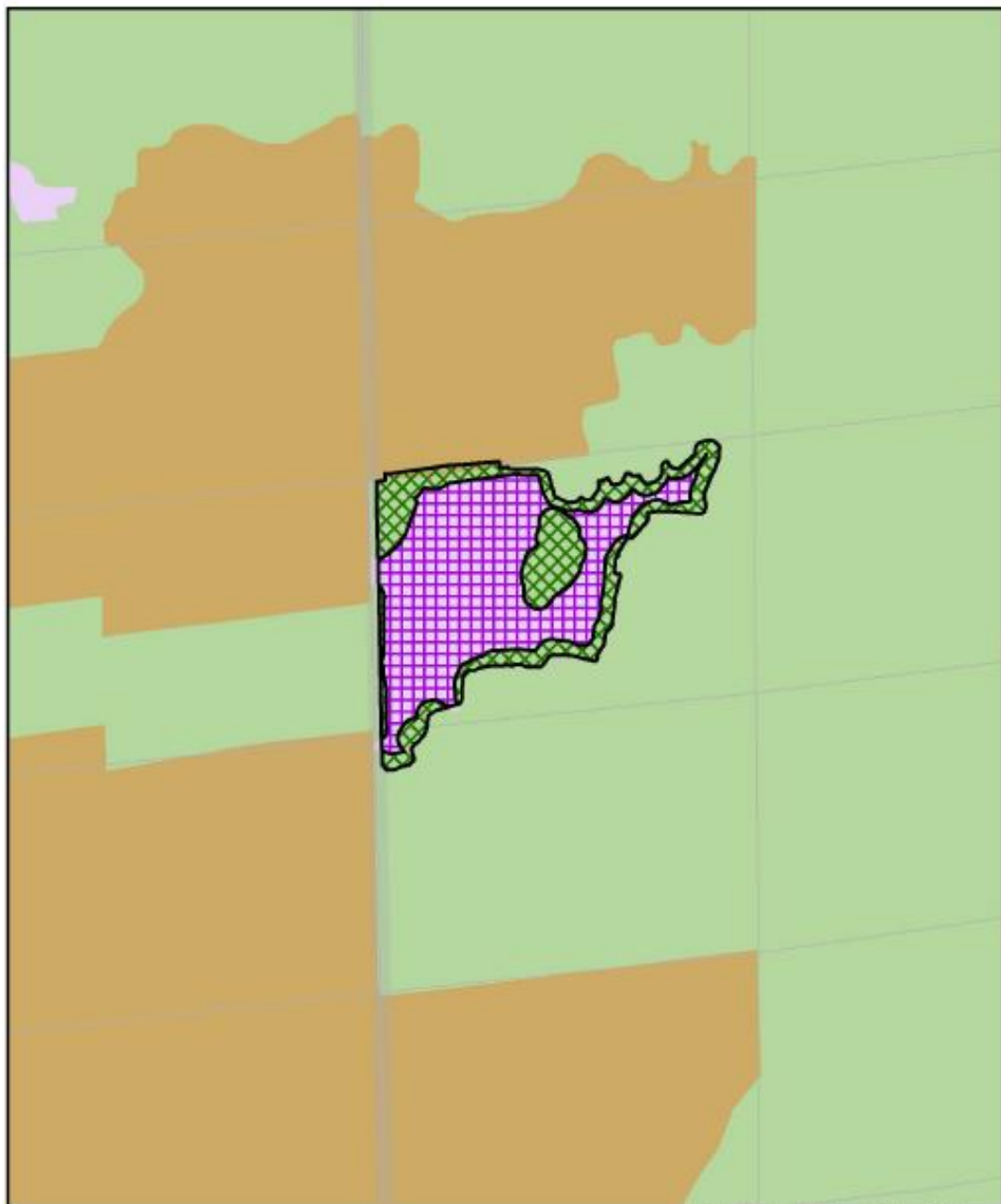
SCHEDULE 1 to OPA No. 61



SCHEDULE 2 to OPA No. 61

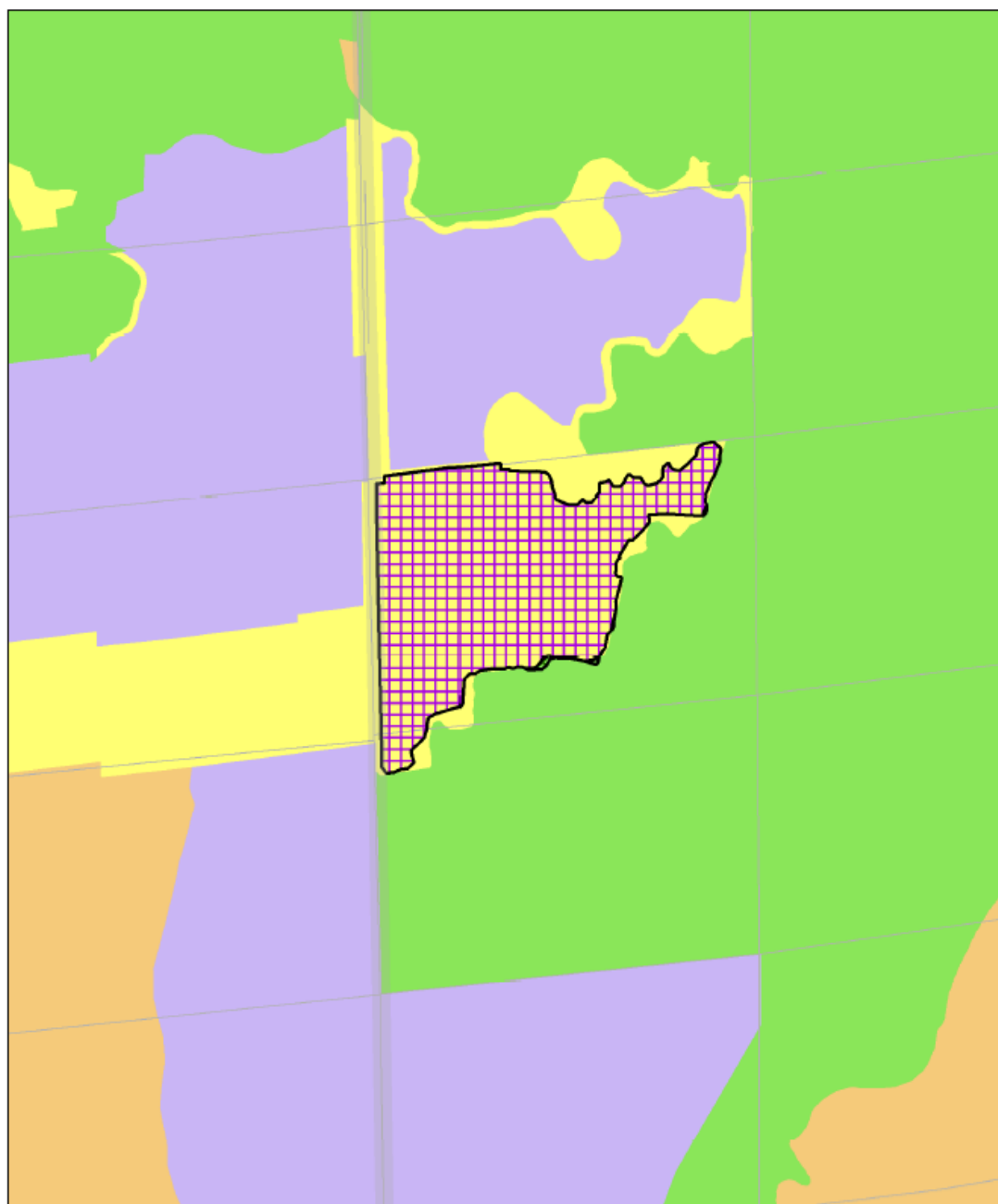



Excerpt of Map 1 – Regional Structure
Part Lots 11, 12 & 13 Concession 1
Town of Halton Hills, Halton Region



-  Lands to be re-designated from Agricultural Area to Mineral Resource Extraction Area
-  Lands to be re-designated from Regional Natural Heritage System to Mineral Resource Extraction Area
-  Agricultural Area
-  Regional Natural Heritage System
-  Mineral Resource Extraction Area

Excerpt of Map 1A – Provincial Plan Areas & Land Use Designations
Part Lots 11, 12 & 13, Concession 1
Town of Halton Hills, Halton Region

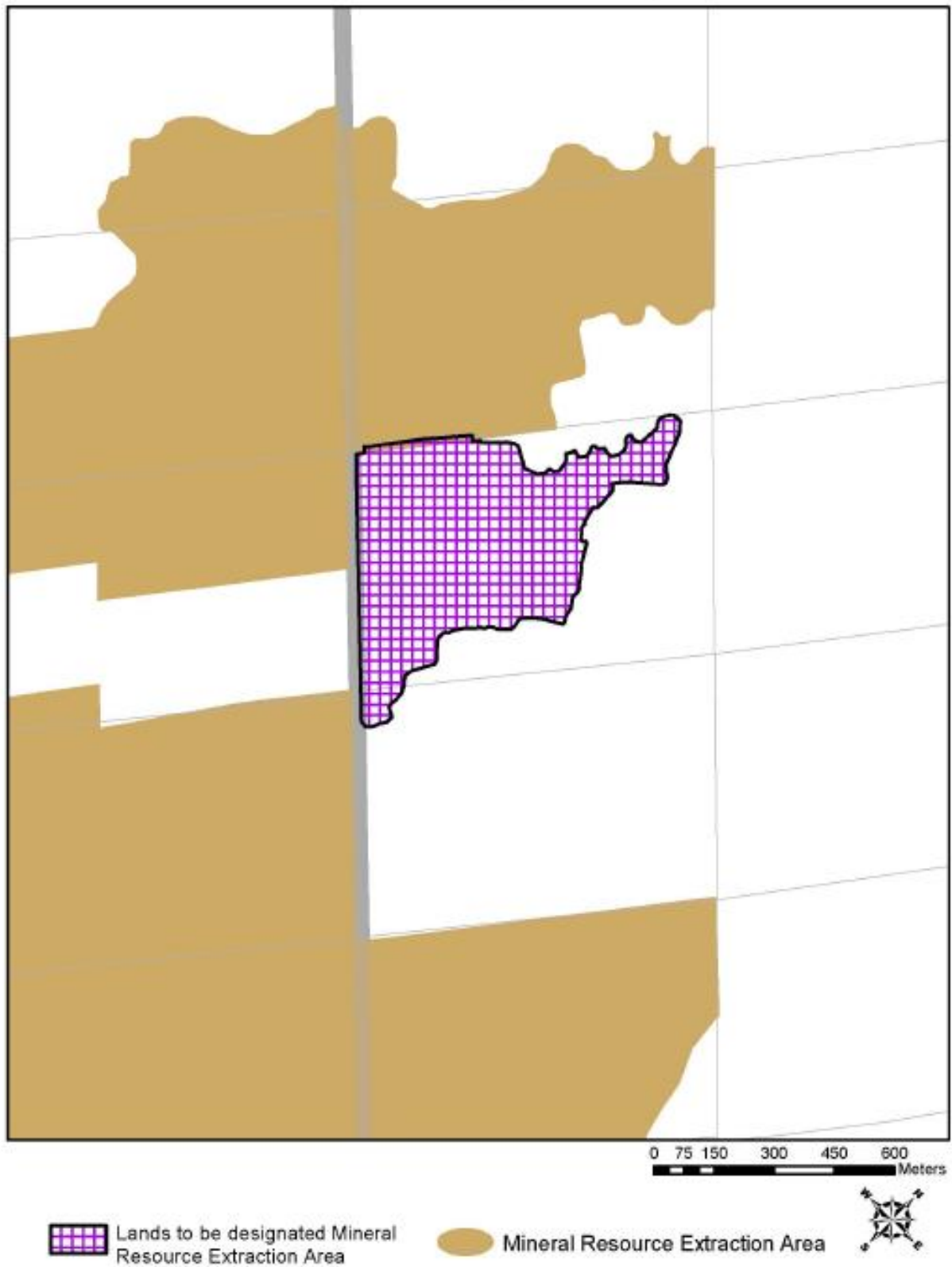


 Lands to be re-designated from Escarpment Rural area to Mineral Resource Extraction Area

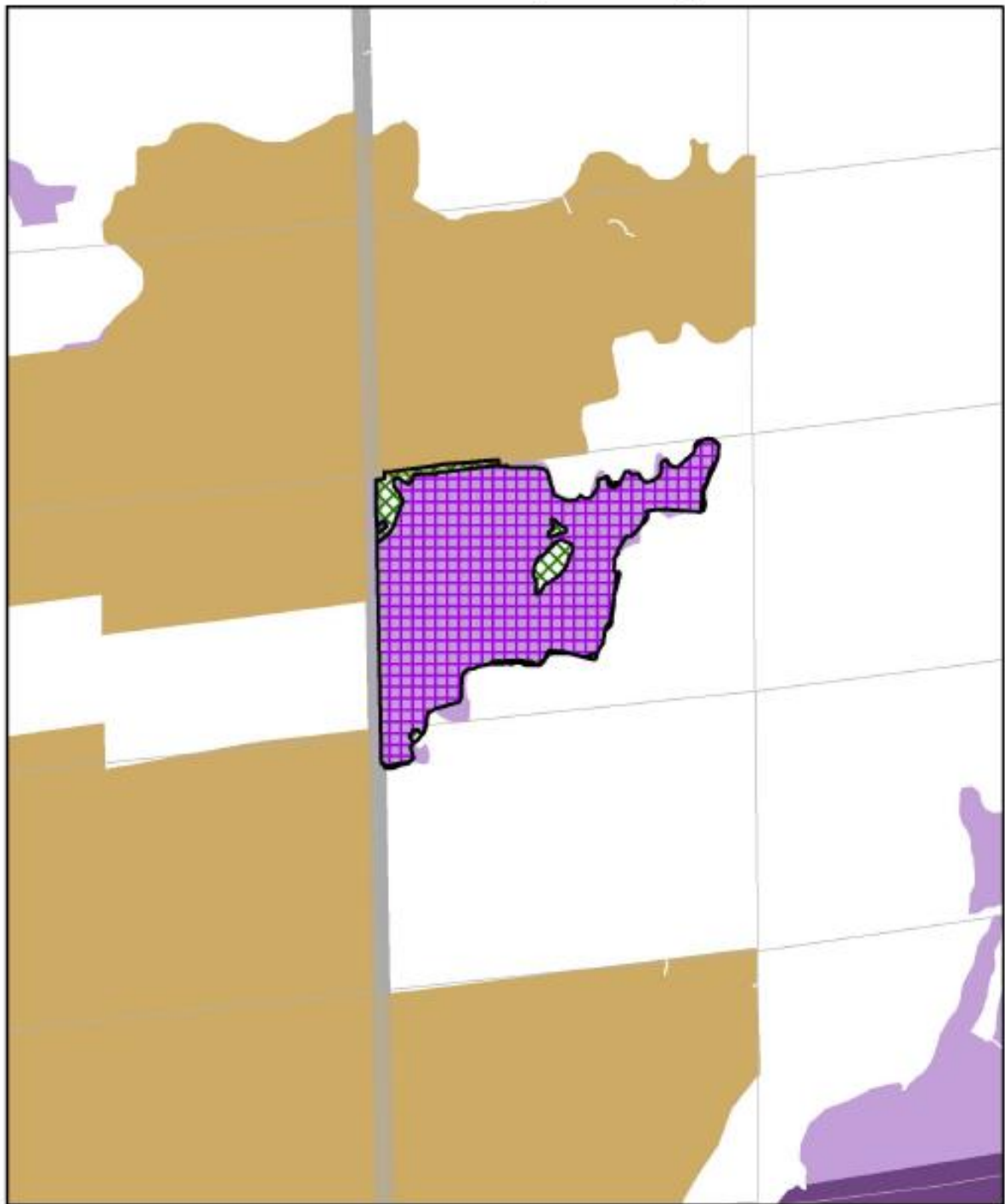
-  Escarpment Natural Area
-  Escarpment Protection Area
-  Escarpment Rural Area
-  Escarpment Mineral Resource Extraction Area








Excerpt of Map 1D – Municipal Wellhead Protection Zones Part Lots 11, 12 & 13, Concession 1 Town of Halton Hills, Halton Region



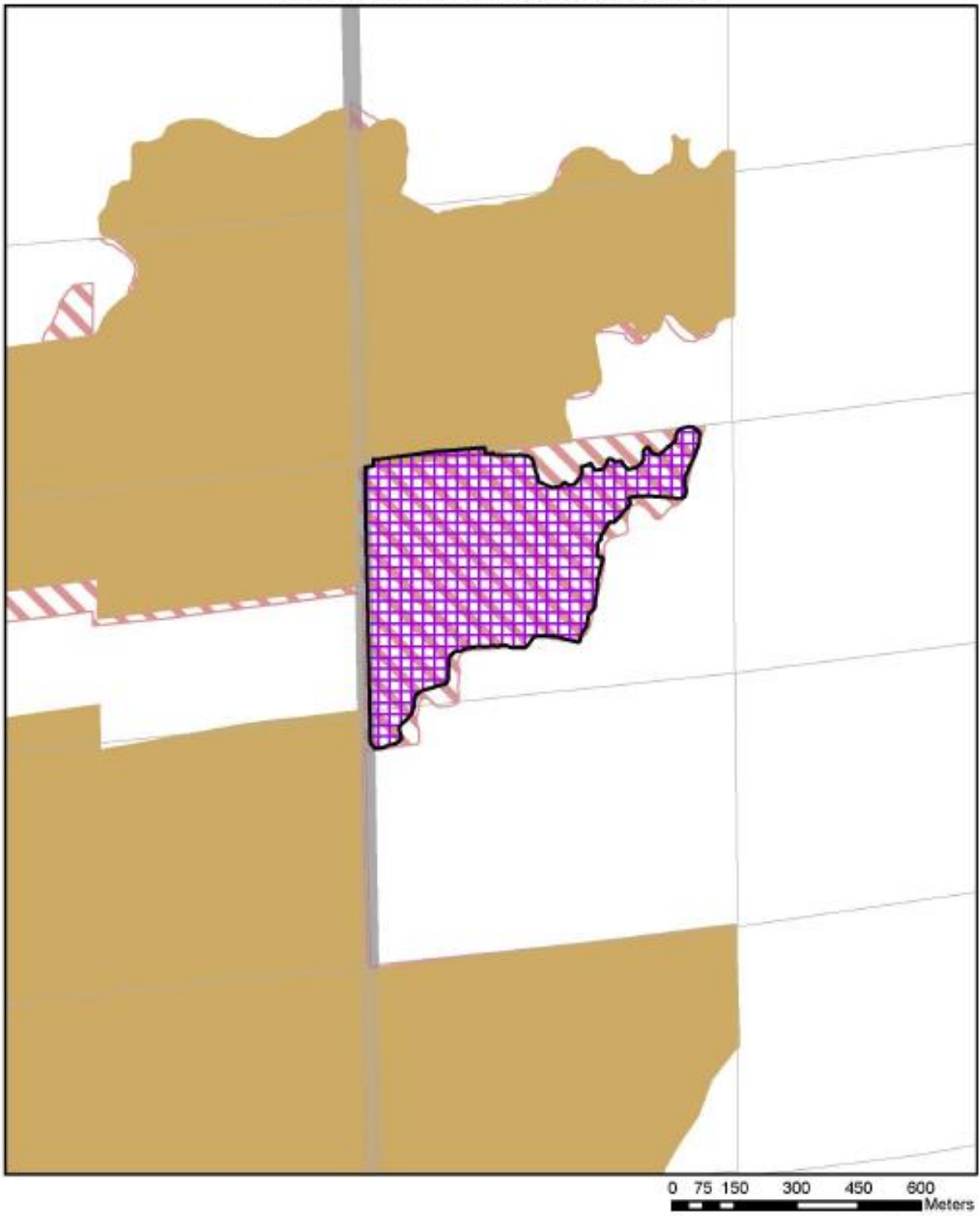
Excerpt of Map 1E – Agricultural System and Settlement Areas
Part Lots 11, 12 & 13, Concession 1
Town of Halton Hills, Halton Region






-  Lands to be re-designated from Agricultural System outside Prime Agricultural Areas to Mineral Resource Extraction Area
-  Lands to be designated Mineral Resource Extraction Area

-  Prime Agricultural Areas
-  Agricultural System outside Prime Agricultural Areas
-  Mineral Resource Extraction Area

Excerpt of Map 1F – Identified Mineral Resource Areas
Part Lots 11, 12 & 13, Concession 1
Town of Halton Hills, Halton Region



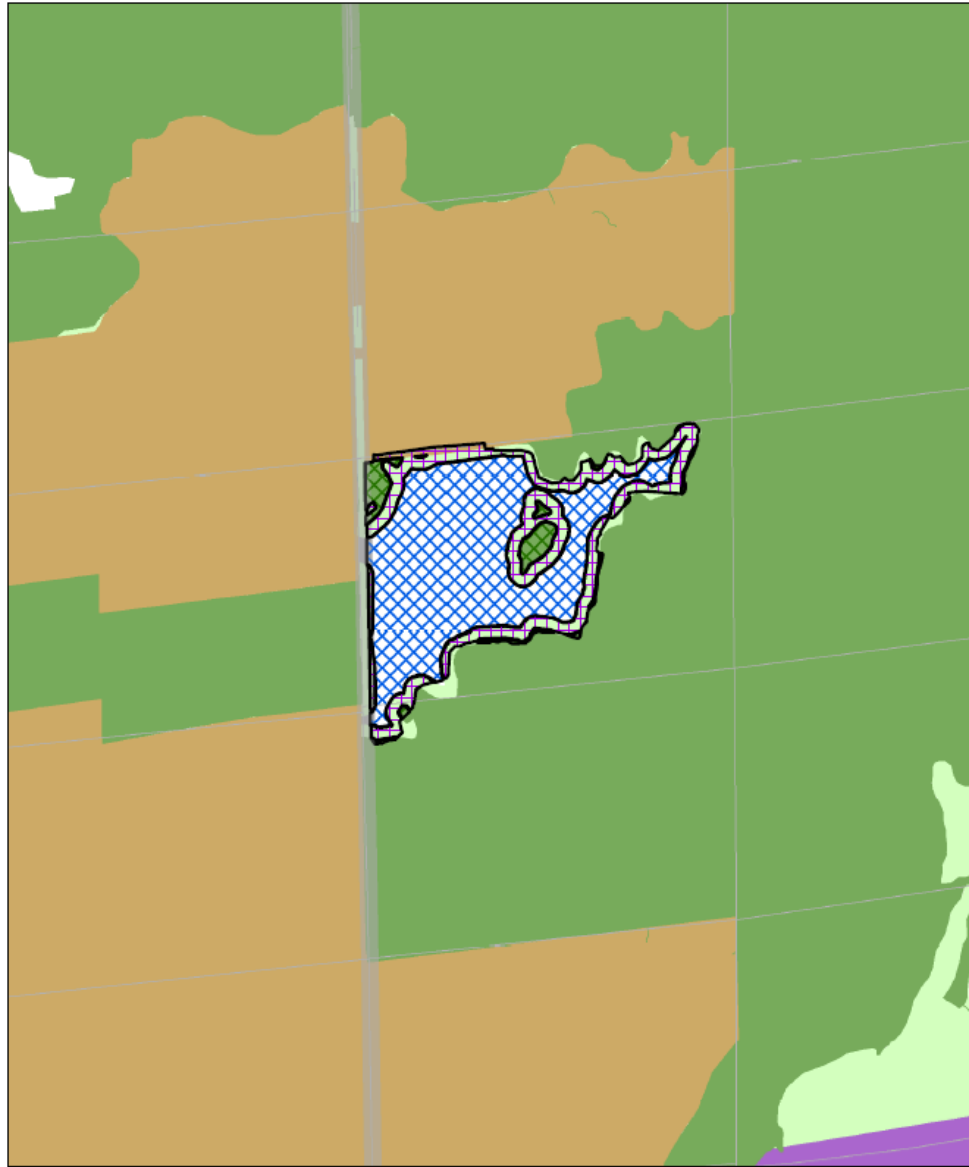
 Lands to be designated Mineral Resource Extraction Area


 Identified Mineral Resource Area
 Mineral Resource Extraction Area





SCHEDULE 8 to OPA No. 61



Excerpt of Map 1G – Key Features within Greenbelt and Regional Natural Heritage System
Part Lots 11 & 12, Concession 1
Town of Halton Hills, Halton Region




 Lands to be re-designated from Enhancement Areas, Linkages and Buffers to Mineral Resource Extraction Area


 Lands to be re-designated from Key Features to Mineral Resource Extraction Area

 Lands to be designated Mineral Resource Extraction Area

 Enhancement Areas, Linkages and Buffers
 Prime Agricultural Areas in Natural Heritage System Enhancements/Linkages/Buffers

0 75 150 300 450 600 Meters

 Mineral Resource Extraction Area

 Key Features

