Attachment B Grand River Conservation Authority final comments



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Re: Application for a Category 3 (Above Water) Licence
Zoning Bylaw Amendment ZCA-11-19
Jackson Harvest Farms – Hallman Pit
Part Lot 10, Concession South of Bleams Road, Township of Wilmot

Following our comments on the second submission of the above-noted applications, the Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) is in receipt of resubmitted materials attached to a letter from IBI Group dated July 21, 2020. This included:

- Hydrogeological Evaluation (Harden Environmental Services, revised July 2020)
- Addendum to Natural Environment Report / Environmental Impact Study (Dance Environmental, July 2020)

Subsequent to this, we have worked directly with the applicant on details regarding water balance (seasonal), as well as consolidated monitoring and contingency plans related to the wetland. We are now in receipt of the following updated plans for the Aggregate Resources Act and zoning applications from IBI Group:

- Zoning Map (revised February 15, 2021)
- Aggregate Resources Act Operational Plans (of 8)
 - 1. Existing Conditions Plan (revised May 6, 2021)
 - 2. Operational Plan (revised February 24, 2021)
 - 3. Operational Notes A (revised May 6, 2021)
 - 4. Operational Notes B (revised March 15, 2021)
 - 5. Operational Notes and Details (revised February 24, 2021)
 - 6. Existing Conditions Cross-sections (revised February 24, 2021)
 - 7. Rehabilitation Cross-sections (revised February 24, 2021)
 - 8. Progressive and Final Rehabilitation Plan (revised March 15, 2021)

We have no further concerns with this application. Our previous concerns regarding water balance and potential during- / post-extraction wetland impacts are addressed. We are also satisfied with the monitoring and contingency plan details stipulated in the submissions. We request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry ensures these are included on the final Operational Plans if the Aggregate Resources Act application is approved.

We wish to note that GRCA comments are related to the wetland feature on the site. The GRCA does not review and comment on Source Water Protection; this role rests with the Region of Waterloo.

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