Notice of Public Information Centres and Draft Proposed Terms of Reference

Long-Term Waste Disposal Environmental Assessment

City of Kawartha Lakes

What is this about?

The City of Kawartha Lakes has initiated a Comprehensive Environmental Assessment (CEA) under the Environmental Assessment Act (EAA) to address its long-term waste disposal needs.

The City currently manages residual waste by landfilling at its five active landfill sites. However, the City's available landfill capacity is diminishing, creating a need for additional waste disposal capacity to manage current waste management needs. As the City continues to grow, additional capacity will also be required to accommodate future waste generation.

Building on previous waste management planning and updated information, the City has identified expansion of the Lindsay-Ops Landfill as the proposed approach for providing additional long-term disposal capacity. The specific location, footprint, and configuration of the expansion have not been confirmed and will be developed and evaluated through the CEA.

What is the process?

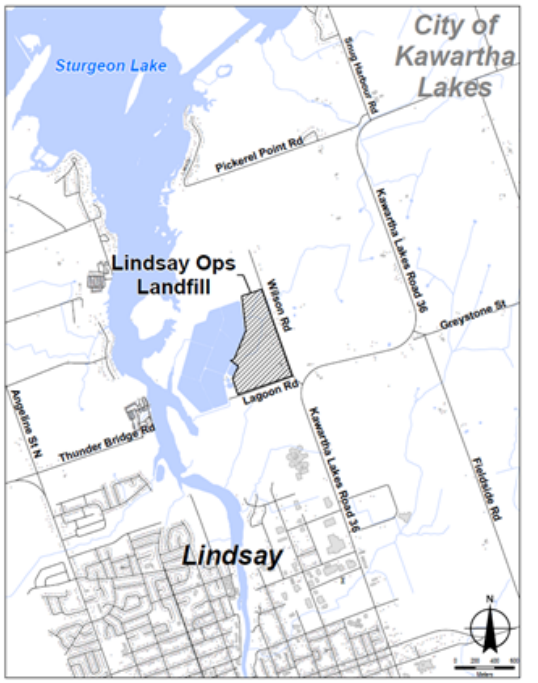
The first step in the CEA process is the preparation of a Terms of Reference (ToR). The ToR establishes the framework for the CEA, including what will be studied, how the proposed landfill expansion will be assessed, and how consultation will be carried out.

The Draft Proposed ToR will be available for public review beginning December 7, 2026. Comments will be accepted until January 18, 2027 on the City's Jump In project page: **www.jumpinkawarthalakes.ca/SolidWasteEA**

Physical copies of the Draft Proposed ToR will also be made available for review at:

- Kawartha Lakes City Hall – 26 Francis Street, Lindsay
- Kawartha Lakes Public Library – 190 Kent Street West, Lindsay

Comments may also be submitted by email at SolidWasteEA@kawarthalakes.ca. The City will consider comments received before preparing the Proposed ToR for formal submission to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). If approved by the Minister, the ToR will guide the preparation of the CEA.



Public Information Centres

Two in-person Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held during the review period to provide information about the project and Draft Proposed ToR and receive input.

The PICs will be held in a drop-in open house format. A brief introductory presentation will begin at 5:15pm to introduce the project team and provide an overview of the project. Project team members will be available throughout the open house to answer questions and receive comments.

Public Information Centre 1
Date: Tuesday December 8, 2026
Time: 5pm to 7pm
Location: City Hall – 26 Francis Street, Lindsay

Public Information Centre 2
Date: Thursday December 10, 2026
Time: 5pm to 7pm
Location: Fenelon Falls Community Centre – 27 Veterans Way, Fenelon Falls

Questions and comments may also be directed to the project team:

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