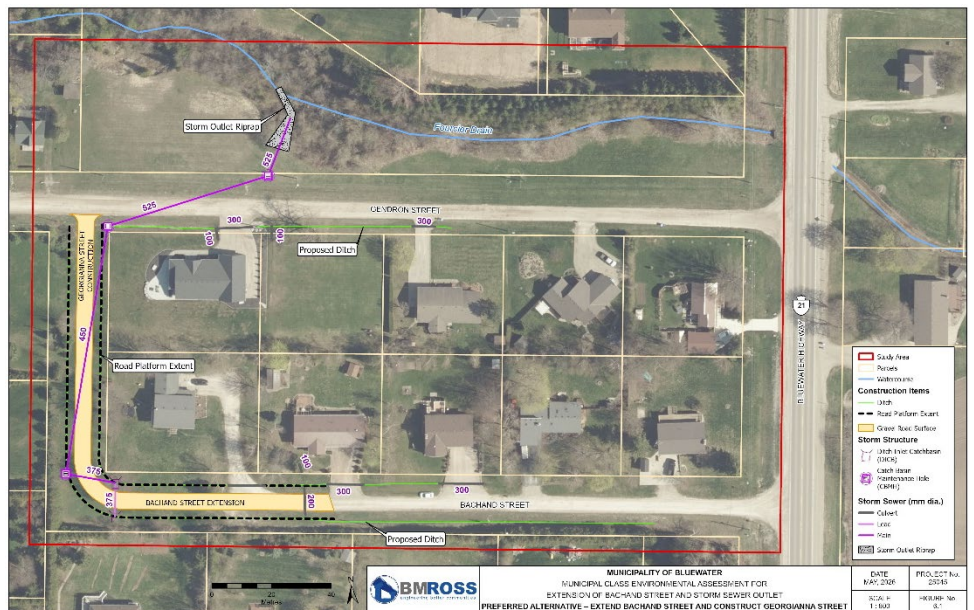


Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Extension of Bachand Street and Stormwater Outlet

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION

Project Information: As part of the Municipality of Bluewater's process to assume ownership and maintenance responsibility for Gendron Street and Bachand Street, the Municipality completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) to evaluate potential impacts associated with extending Bachand Street and constructing a new stormwater outlet to the Fourcier Drain. The preferred solution was identified as constructing the extension of Bachand Street to the west and constructing a new gravel road in the Georgianna Street road allowance. The project will also include constructing a storm sewer to convey stormwater from the new road, across Gendron Street to a new stormwater outlet at the Fourcier Drain. A preliminary drawing showing the proposed work is included as Figure 1.

Figure 1 – Proposed Works



The Environmental Assessment Process: The project followed the MCEA process set out for Schedule 'B' activities. The purpose of the MCEA is to evaluate solutions related to infrastructure needs and projects, following a logical and defined decision-making process. The process incorporated the evaluation of alternative solutions, potential environmental impacts, consultation, and identified how impacts may be mitigated.

A digital copy of the Project File Report is available on the Municipality's website (municipalityofbluewater.ca). Through this Notice, the MCEA is being placed on the public record for a 30-day public review period ending: Friday October 30, 2026. All comments and concerns should be sent directly to Lisa Courtney (lcourtney@bmross.net) at B.M. Ross and Associates Limited, 62 North Street, Goderich ON N7A 2T4, (1-888-524-2641).

Under the Environmental Assessment Act, a request may be made to the MECP for an order requiring a higher level of assessment. Such requests must be based on the potential to prevent, mitigate, or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests on other grounds will not be considered. Requests must include the requester's full name and contact information, specify the type of order being requested, explain how it may address potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal and treaty rights, and provide supporting information. Requests must be submitted in writing or by email to the following.

- Minister, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, 777 Bay Street 5th Floor, Toronto, ON M7A 2J3 or by email: minister.mecp@ontario.ca
- Director, Environmental Assessment Branch, 40 St. Clair Avenue West, 11th Floor Toronto, ON M4V 1M2, or by email: EABDirector@ontario.ca

A copy of the request should be sent to the Municipality of Bluewater. For more information on Section 16 Orders, please visit: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order>.

Please note that all personal information included in a request process becomes part of the public record and is not protected under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. For more details, contact the Ministry's FOI Coordinator at (416) 327-1434. Comments received during the EA process are part of the public record. For more information about MCEA Process, please contact Lisa Courtney, Environmental Planner at B. M. Ross and Associates (lcourtney@bmross.net or 1-888-524-2641). Any personal information submitted in this process will form part of the public record and may be disclosed under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, if requested, to any person.

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