

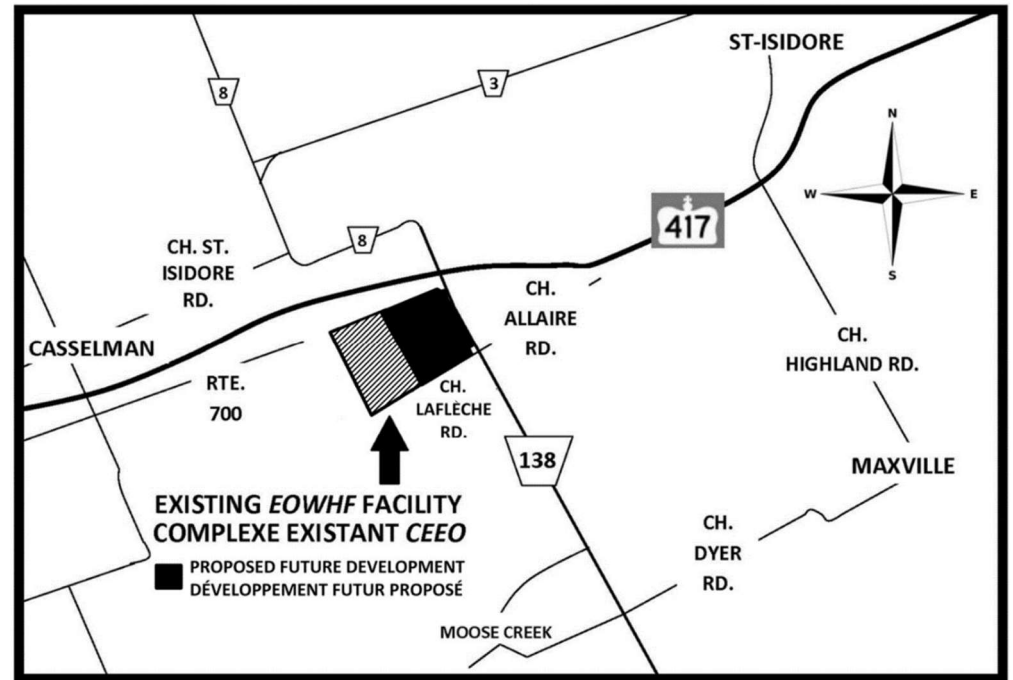
Notice of Commencement of Environmental Assessment

Future Development of the Eastern Ontario Waste Handling Facility

GFL Environmental Inc. is beginning an environmental assessment under the Environmental Assessment Act for the future development of the Eastern Ontario Waste Handling Facility (EOWHF) in Moose Creek, Ontario.

The future development will involve the construction of additional landfill disposal capacity. GFL has determined that there is a sustainable business opportunity and need for the EOWHF to continue to provide disposal capacity over the long term. By developing this additional disposal capacity, GFL will also be able to continue providing economical waste diversion and green bin organics composting services to customers into the future. The EOWHF is a major employer and financial contributor to the local community. The development of an additional 15.1 million cubic metres of disposal capacity over a 20 year planning period will allow GFL to continue to provide this type of economic support to the local community. No changes to the approved fill rates or site access routes are proposed.

The EOWHF is located within the Township of North Stormont, approximately 5 kilometres north-northwest of the village of Moose Creek, Ontario, and 5 kilometres east of the village of Casselman, Ontario. The proposed future development will be on land currently owned by GFL.



The Process

On January 14, 2021, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks approved the Terms of Reference for the Future Development of the Eastern Ontario Waste Handling Facility Environmental Assessment. A copy of the approved Terms of Reference is available on the project website <https://gflenv.com/moose-creek-landfill-expansion> and at the following location:

Township of North Stormont Municipal Office
15 Union Street
Berwick, ON K0C 1G0

This study will be carried out according to the approved Terms of Reference and the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. Results from this study will be documented in an environmental assessment, which will be submitted to the ministry for review. At that time, the public, Indigenous communities, and other interested persons will be informed of when and where the environmental assessment can be reviewed.

Consultation

Members of the public, agencies, Indigenous communities and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning of the undertaking by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with information, comments or questions. Consultation opportunities are planned throughout the planning process and will be advertised in local newspapers, on the project website <https://gflenv.com/moose-creek-landfill-expansion>, and by direct and/or electronic mail (email).

A **Public Open House** to introduce the project, an overview of the EA process, the Alternatives to be considered, existing environmental conditions, the consultation process that will be followed during the development of the EA, and obtain public input is scheduled for **Thursday, October 7th, 2021** at the **Moose Creek Recreational Arena, 9 Munroe Street, Moose Creek, ON** from **4 p.m. to 8 p.m.** COVID protocols will be followed at this outdoor event including masking, physical distancing, and pre-screening prior to entry. If further COVID restrictions are imposed by the provincial government, the consultation process will be moved online.

If you would like to be added to the project mailing list or have project-related questions, please contact:

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