

**TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING PROPOSED
AMENDMENTS TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN AND ZONING BY-LAW**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Melancthon will hold a Public Meeting on Thursday, September 23, 2010, at 7:30 PM in the Municipal Council Chambers to consider a proposed official plan amendment under Sections 17 and 21 of the Planning Act and a proposed zoning by-law amendment under Section 34 of the Planning Act.

THE PROPOSED official plan amendment would affect lands in part of the west half of Lots 11 and 12, Concession 3, O.S. as indicated on the attached map. The proposed amendment would redesignate the subject lands from Rural and Environmental Protection Area High Hazard Lands to Industrial with site specific policies. The amendment would, subject to certain conditions, permit a gravel pit operation on part of the subject lands. That use would be restricted to extracting mineral aggregates at least 1.5 metres (4.9 feet) above the existing groundwater table. The proposed pit would also require an amendment to the Zoning By-law and a Category 3, Class A licence from the Ministry of Natural Resources. The area to be extracted is approximately 37.6 hectares (92.9 acres) and the pit will share with the pit to the north in the west half of Lot 13, Concession 3, O.S., the annual extraction limit of 1,250,000 tonnes as currently assigned to that existing pit. Among other things, the proposed policies would apply a number of conditions to the proposed development including the execution of an agreement implementing a well monitoring program and a well interference protocol. Also, a spills contingency plan would be a standard requirement in any such pit operation. There would be a requirement for an agreement concerning the haul route, which would use the route for the existing pit to the north. Provincial maximum noise limits would have to be met with perimeter berms used for noise and visual impact mitigation. Rehabilitation plans would be required to maximize the restoration of the site's agricultural land. The key environmental features would be protected through a required implementing site specific zoning by-law amendment. Also, features of archaeological significance would be documented or retained.

THE PROPOSED zoning by-law amendment would also affect the subject lands in part of the west half of Lots 11 and 12, Concession 3, O.S. as indicated on the attached map. The amendment would rezone the lands from the General Agricultural (A1) zone to the Extractive Industrial Exception (M2-3) zone. That zone would permit only a Ministry of Natural Resources approved gravel pit, accessory uses and agriculture. For the pit use, the M2 zone regulations for setbacks and related matters would be replaced by the Ministry's pit license requirements. Also, the Open Space Conservation (OS2) zone on part of the site would be reconfigured and changed to an Open Space Conservation Exception (OS2-1) zone, permitting very limited uses intended to buffer the site's environmental features, thereby reflecting the findings of a site specific environmental study. The effect of the rezoning would be to permit a pit operation on part of the subject lands while protecting the site's important natural features.

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Official Plan amendment or the proposed Zoning By-law amendment.

IF A PERSON or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Melancthon before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Township of Melancthon to the Ontario Municipal Board and may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

IF you wish to be notified of Council's adoption of the proposed official plan amendment, you must make a written request to the Township of Melancthon at the address given below.

IF A PERSON or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or does not make written submissions to the Township of Melancthon before the zoning by-law amendment is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the

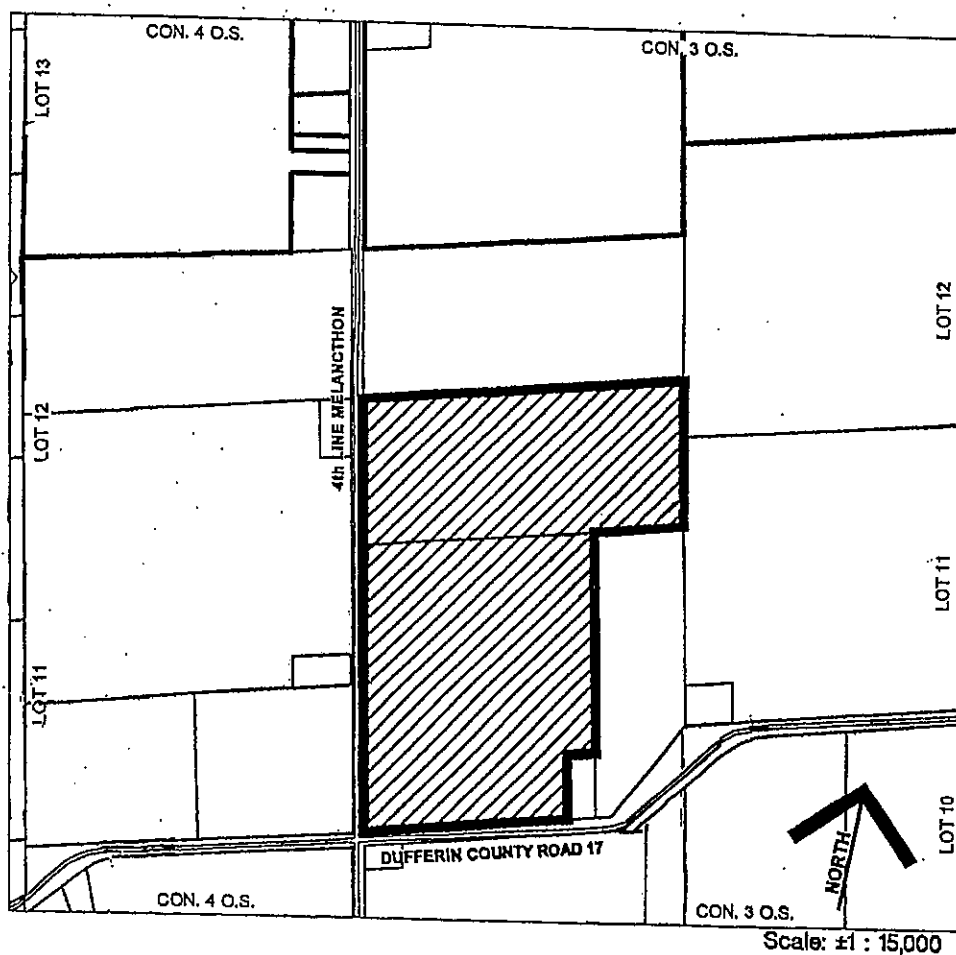
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the proposed official plan and zoning by-law amendments is available for inspection between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Township of Melancthon Municipal Office.

Dated at the Township of Melancthon this 17th day of August, 2010.

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 SUBJECT LANDS