The Study
Through previous community planning studies, the City of Kitchener has established a need to make improvements to the Old Mill Sanitary Pumping Station in order to bring it into compliance with current standards and meet future demands. The City is initiating a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for improvements to the Old Mill Sanitary Pumping Station.

The Process
The City is conducting the EA study in accordance with Schedule B of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Municipal Class Environmental Assessment October 2000, as amended (in 2007 & 2011), in compliance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. The Class EA process includes public and regulatory agency consultation, evaluation of project alternatives, an assessment of the impacts of the proposed improvements, and identification of measures to mitigate any adverse environmental impacts. The City has retained MTE Consultants Inc. to lead the Class EA study.

Upon completion of this study, an Environmental Study Report (ESR) documenting the Class EA process will be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) and will be available for public review for a period of 30 calendar days.

As part of this study, two (2) Public Information Centres (PICs) are planned. The first PIC is tentatively scheduled for September, 2015. The PIC will present the project scope and objectives and provide an opportunity for initial public and government agency review and comment. Representatives from the City and the Consultant Team will be present at the PIC to answer questions and discuss the next steps in this study. Notification of the PIC will be provided at the appropriate time by means of a similar advertisement in this newspaper. Accessible formats and communication supports will be available upon request.

Comments
Public consultation is vital to the Class EA process. The City wishes to ensure that anyone with an interest in this study has the opportunity to get involved and provide input before any decisions are made on a preferred concept for the pump station improvements. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

To provide your comments or to request additional information concerning this project, please contact either of the following Project Team members:

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