

October 24, 2017

## NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

**Contract: 2016-P-103  
Reconstruction of Regional Road 1 (Dominion Road)  
From Buffalo Road to Burleigh Road  
In the Town of Fort Erie**

Please be advised that The Regional Municipality of Niagara (The Region) will be reconstructing Regional Road 1 (Dominion Road) from Buffalo Road to Burleigh Road to improve infrastructure and road platform deficiencies.

This contract will be carried out for the Region by Beam Rankin Joint Venture Limited.

Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin late this October, early November and will be continuous until completion, likely spring of 2019, weather permitting.

The project involves the reconstruction and infrastructure improvements on Regional Road 1 (Dominion Road), between Buffalo Road and Burleigh Road. The improvements will include, but not be limited to, replacement of existing watermain, full reconstruction of the roadway and regrading of ditches, intersection illumination and minor rehabilitation of the existing bridge over Six Mile Creek. The watermain portions of the proposed works include replacement of the existing Regional Transmission watermain from Rosehill Road to Bernard Avenue and a new Town of Fort Erie watermain from Rosehill Road to Barrington Court.

Every effort will be made to maintain access to abutting properties and to minimize inconvenience to businesses, residents and pedestrians. The main point of contact on this project will be Mr. Sto Tritchew, Project Manager of the project team, Beam Rankin Joint Venture Limited and he can be contacted for information or to identify concerns. Mr. Henry Vangameren, cell phone 905-327-3811 will be the Region's onsite field liaison representative.

Periodically, there will be some inconvenience to you during the construction period. Due to the scope of work involved, driveway access may be affected. Every effort will be made to give you advance notice should this occur. Staff from Beam Rankin Joint Venture Limited will be contacting you to discuss details of your driveway entrance. In order to protect construction workers and complete the work safely and cost effectively, temporary lane closures may be required and traffic will be unavoidably congested at these times. Such closures will be minimized as much as possible; however, at such times, the contractor will provide traffic control personnel. Although the contractor is required to provide safe pedestrian access at all times, care is requested when walking through the construction zone.

The front of your property (lawn and driveway) will be disturbed during construction. The contractor will carry out the necessary restoration which will include driveway culvert and the placement of new sod or seeding. A door hanger will be provided at the time that sod is placed with recommendations and instructions on the care and maintenance of the new sod. Driveways, if disturbed, will be repaired with the same material as existing. If there are any concerns with the above-mentioned work that may occur on your property adjacent to the Region's road allowance, please notify Beam Rankin Joint Venture Inc. prior to the commencement of the work and they will address your concerns.

The project will include the construction of new ditches and grading within the road allowance. Staff from Beam Rankin Joint Venture Limited will advise you at the beginning of the project if any landscaping items (i.e. trees, shrubs, hedges, fences, planters, statues, irrigation systems, etc.), **that are located on Region property**, are in conflict with the proposed works. Property owners should remove and/or relocate these items prior to construction as they may otherwise be damaged, destroyed or removed (and not replaced) by the contractor during construction. **If you have an irrigation system on the Region's property, you must spray paint, white paint only, or stake out the location of your irrigation system within six (6) metres of the roadway. Only irrigation systems, which have been correctly located by the property owner and are damaged by the contractor, will be repaired. The property owner will be responsible for repairs to any irrigation system on the Region's property that is damaged which has not been previously located by the owner.**

Prior to construction, a representative of Oza Inspections Ltd., 1-800-667-8263, will be contacting you to arrange for an inspection of the interior and exterior of your house or building. This inspection may be delayed over the next year as construction progresses along Dominion Road. The purpose of this inspection is to determine and document the extent of any cracking or other damage that exists prior to the commencement of construction. This information can then be used to determine the extent of the contractor's responsibility in the unlikely event that damage to your house or building occurs during

construction. The representative will have identification for your review. It is to the property owner's advantage to allow them to complete the inspection and document the condition of your property.

### **Private Water Service Connections**

Regional staff are working with the Town of Fort Erie to address removing private service connections from the Regional watermain. It is the best practice of the Region, as well as several other municipalities in Ontario, to remove any existing private service connections from transmission watermains at the time that road and/or watermain is reconstructed, at which time, the connection will be removed and suitably connected to another water source, in this case, the new local watermain. Such practice will better protect the water supply from potential risk of contamination from external sources.

Regional staff has determined that a separate local distribution watermain along Regional Road 1 (Dominion Road) to supply the residents who are currently serviced with water would provide the best risk reduction to the Regional watermain.

### **Some important information for homeowners regarding private water service connections:**

- Homeowners with an existing water service connection on record with the Town of Fort Erie:

Service connection will be replaced to meet current standards (if required) and reconnected to the new local watermain. No cost or permit will be required.

- Homeowners with an existing water service connection not on record with the Town of Fort Erie:

Homeowners will need to notify the Town to ensure reconnection of the service to the new local watermain. Homeowners will be required to pay for the new water service from the new watermain to the property line, apply for a Town plumbing permit and a water service connection permit. Please contact the Town of Fort Erie to confirm these fees. Private side water service from the property line to the home are to be completed by the homeowner's contractor and at the homeowner's expense. If the homeowner chooses not to install the water service during construction, they will not be authorized to install a water service at a later date.

- Homeowners that do not have an existing water service connection but are interested in connecting to the new local watermain:

Contact the Town of Fort Erie. Homeowners will be required to pay for the new water service from the new watermain to the property line, apply for a Town plumbing permit and a water service connection permit. Private side water service from the property line to the home are to be completed by the homeowner's contractor and at the homeowner's expense. If the homeowner chooses not to install the water service during construction they will not be authorized to install a water service at a later date.

Residents are encouraged to contact the Town of Fort Erie, to avoid any delays in water service reconnections and new water services installation. Contact information for the water services from the Town of Fort Erie is: **Robert Judd, P.Eng., Engineering Division, Town of Fort Erie, 905-871-1600 extension 2412, rjudd@town.forterie.on.ca**

Should you have any questions or encounter any problems during the work, please feel free to approach the project team's lead, Mr. Sto Tritchew, 905-684-1111. You may also contact one of the following individuals:

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Your patience and co-operation throughout this project is appreciated.