




## COMMUNICATION UPDATE

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Members City Council
<b>DATE:</b>	November 4, 2022
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Chedoke Creek Remediation - HW.22.11 (City Wide)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	City Wide
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>	Cari Vanderperk Director, Watershed Management Public Works Department
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Further to the information provided in Communication Update HW.22.10 on October 13, 2022, the City of Hamilton's (City) consultant has completed an analysis of the workplan and identified options for moving the targeted dredging project forward once site access is no longer a concern. The project team is currently evaluating these options with the next step for the project dependant on the Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks (MECP) response to the City's requests in the letter submitted on October 6, 2022.

Within the next few days the dredging machine will be temporarily removed from the site in order to mitigate costs and associated risks while the City awaits a response from the MECP. This will lower the daily costs while the project remains on standby and allows the sub-contractor to perform preventative maintenance on the dredging machine. The contractor has confirmed that the dredging machine will be returned to site within 3-5 days prior to work resuming.

As an update to the recommendations from Report PW19008(r), staff have entered into environmental monitoring agreements with both the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council. Each agreement includes a capacity funding upset limit for the duration of the dredging portion of the project of \$40,000.

Conversations with the Huron-Wendat Nation continue, and we await their decision on how they may wish to participate. Additionally, each of the three nations were offered a

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tour of the project site. The Six Nations of the Grand River Elected Council participated in a site tour on November 3, 2022.

Unfortunately, with regards to the Haudenosaunee Development Institute (HDI) there has been no further progress in coming to a reasonable agreement. All communications from the City to the HDI continue to be conducted through representative legal counsel with no further progress made to-date.

The City, with our consultant and contractor, remain committed to completing the targeted dredging of Chedoke Creek and the environmental remediation from the sewage spill. All community partners who have been engaged throughout this project have been kept apprised of the status as changes occur and as always, we will continue to keep members of Council informed.

**APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED**

N/A