

The attached form letter email was received from the following 32 individuals between May 17, 2021 and May 25, 2021

Andrew McCammon
Tammy Atkinson
Ruth Treloar
Linda Oliver
John Jackson
Graham Flint
Francesca Hannan
Gary Menzie
Lorna Ferguson
Shannon Lee
Helen Brenner
Nancy Doukas
Jenni LeForestier
Kathleen Wilson
Brenda Dolling
David Lewis
Margaret Hutchison
Michael Dehn
Debbie Ring
Jim Reid
Peggy Reid
Olena Haluszka
Marion Lucas
Peter Duff
Nancy Duff
Ann Mcruvie
Chantal Garneau
Melanie Cernanec-Richer
Mark Shaw
Kelly Scarlett
Wendy Hart
Lenka Holubec

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Subject: Impact Assessment of Erin's Sewage Treatment Plant (file 81434)

I write seeking your support for a federal Impact Assessment of the proposed sewage treatment plant in Erin, Ontario, IAAC file 81434. The reasons are straight-forward:

Temperature of the Effluent: The temperature of the effluent from the proposed sewage treatment plant (STP) will be such that it may increase the temperature of the West Credit to a point that will impact the local brook trout, and in particular disrupt their breeding cycle, leading to their extirpation (local extinction);

Volume and Velocity of the Effluent: The proposed STP and new additional stormwater run-off appear to add volumes of water and increase stream velocity in the Upper West Credit. This may impact the stability of the stream banks, reduce riparian cover, and alter the stream bed. Outcomes include damage to local property and increased erosion, with the deposition of the eroded material downstream potentially impacting other regionally significant aquatic species;

Virtually No Consultation with People Living Downstream nor First Nations: Ontario environmental assessments require public consultation. In the case of the Erin STP, local consultation was sporadic, and consultation with both those living downstream and First Nations were virtually non-existent; and,

Impacts excluded under Provincial Rules: The pipe carrying the effluent from the Erin STP is mostly in Ontario' Greenbelt, as is the location where the pipe will disperse its effluent into the West Credit River. While the Greenbelt Plan allows infrastructure within the Greenbelt, the Plan does not require any environmental assessment of the impact of that infrastructure. It is thus imperative that a federal assessment be commissioned to assess the impact of the effluent on the West Credit River.

To address these short-comings, the proposed STP in Erin needs a federal Impact Assessment.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,