

Engineering Services Department

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The Study

The City of Pickering is updating the 2009 Frenchman's Bay Watersheds Stormwater Management (FBWSWM) Master Plan. The Master Plan Update will evaluate the efficiency of the current stormwater management system. It will also develop a preferred stormwater management strategy considering future growth and climate change challenges. The Study Area is shown in the Location Map on page 2. Aquafor Beech Limited has been retained by the City of Pickering to complete the Master Plan Update.

The Process

The study will be conducted in accordance with Approach #2 for Master Plans, as outlined in the Municipal Engineers Association's, Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) (October 2000, amended 2007, 2011, 2015, 2023 and 2024). The Study will address the first two phases of the Master Plan Class EA process. Consultation with the public and agencies will be a key component of the Study. Public Information Centres will be held to discuss matters related to the study. These include problems, opportunities, alternative solutions, evaluation criteria, environmental impacts and mitigation measures. Dates and details for public engagement will be advertised as the Study progresses.

Comments

This Notice of Study Commencement is issued to notify the stakeholders of the project and invite comment. Comments and information regarding the Study will be maintained for reference throughout the project. They will become part of public record. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s. 37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

Visit <https://www.pickering.ca/fbwswm> or project information and updates. To provide your comments, request further information, or be added to the project mailing list, please contact:

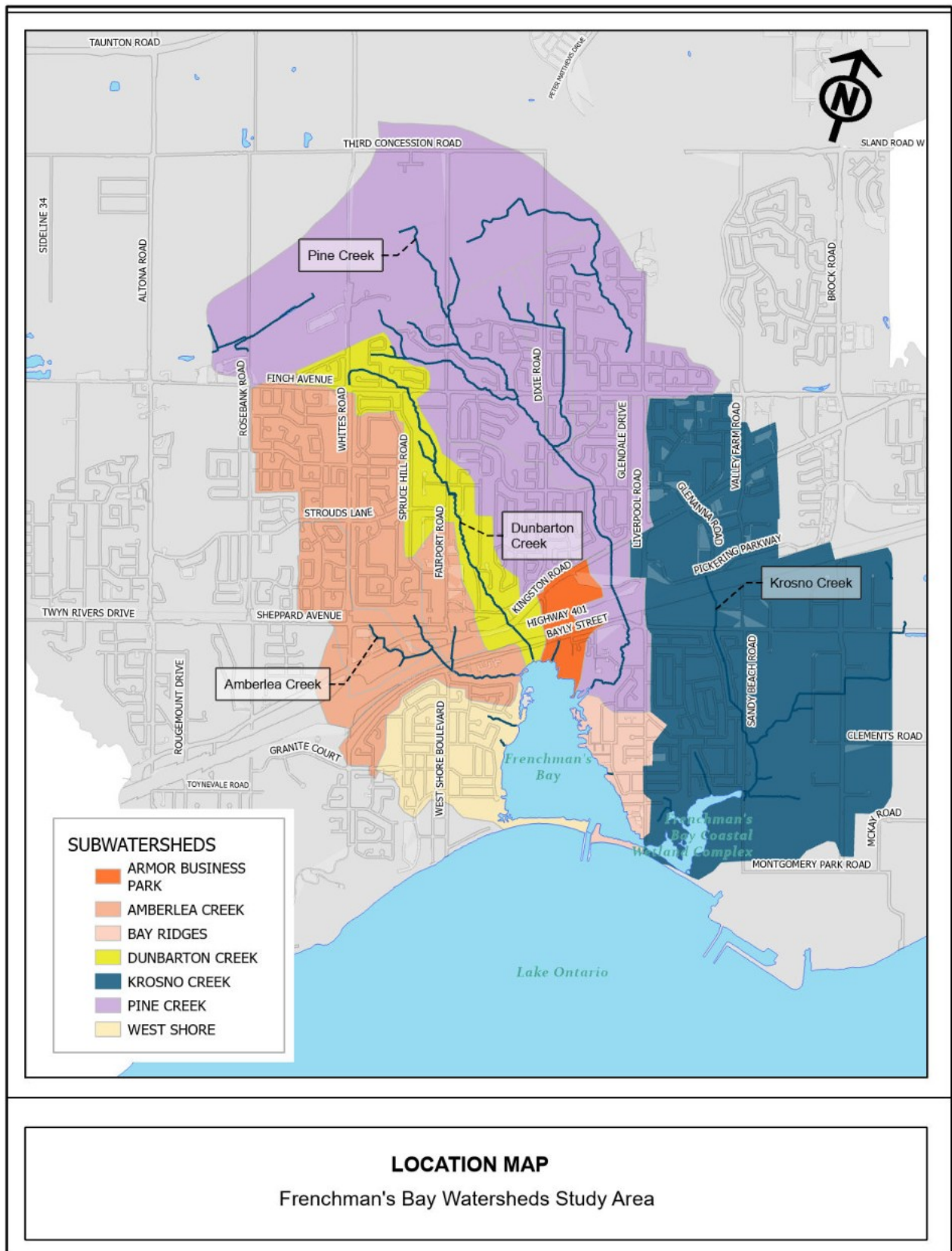
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