



COUNTY OF ELGIN
OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW
**COMMUNITY
INFORMATION MEETING(S)**

Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Study, Source Water Protection

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As part of the adoption of the 2013 Official Plan for the County of Elgin, a commitment was made to completing a Natural Heritage Systems Study at the time of the next Official Plan Review. The Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Study (ENHSS) was commissioned in 2016, and is a terrestrial science-based study that provides a landscape level assessment of existing natural heritage features and functions. The draft 2019 study provides analysis and maps showing the existing vegetation patches that meet criteria for ecological importance.

The Clean Water Act, 2006 was approved by the province as a result of the contaminated water tragedy in Walkerton Ontario in 2000. Source Protection Plans were developed across the province and include policies to protect municipal drinking water supplies from land uses that may be a risk to them. A firm was retained to assist the County in the implementation of Source Protection Plan (SPP) policies through the preparation of new policy text that would form the basis of future amendments to the County Official Plan and to the Official Plans and Zoning By-laws of local municipalities that have municipal drinking water systems that are regulated by a Source Protection Plan.

As per Council's direction, the public will have an opportunity to review the draft Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Strategy (2019), and the Source Water Protection Implementation Plan (2017), and provide their feedback and input on the recommendations from these reports.

The County of Elgin is hosting several in-person and one virtual Community Information Meeting(s) on the Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Study, and Source Water Protection. This meeting will include a staff presentation on the draft Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Study, and draft Source Water Protection policies. Your participation is valuable and we welcome your comments!

As part of the County's Official Plan Review process, we have developed Discussion Paper #3 - Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Study, Source Water Protection, and Environmental Policy Amendments and links to the draft Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Strategy, and the Source Water Protection Implementation Plan are available at:

<https://engageelgin.ca/officialplanreview>

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**COMMUNITY
INFORMATION MEETING(S)**

MEETING 1 EAST

DATE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26TH, 2021
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: MALAHIDE COMMUNITY PLACE
12105 WHITTAKER RD
SPRINGFIELD (TOWNSHIP OF MALAHIDE)

ANY PERSON is invited to attend the Community Information Meeting(s) and share your comments on the draft Elgin Natural Heritage Systems Study, and draft Source Water Protection policies.

MEETING 2 WEST

DATE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 2021
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: WEST ELGIN DRAMATICS SOCIETY (WEDS)
THEATRE
DUTTON DUNWICH MUNICIPAL OFFICE
199 CURRIE ROAD.
DUTTON (MUNICIPALITY OF DUTTON
DUNWICH)

Registration is required to attend one of the in-person meetings or to provide your comments at the virtual meeting.

MEETING 3 CENTRAL AND VIRTUAL

DATE: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH, 2021
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: MASONIC CENTRE OF ELGIN
42703 FRUIT RIDGE LINE
UNION (MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL ELGIN)

Please register by email: opreview@elgin.ca
Or phone: 519-631-1460 ext. 183
Please include your first and last name, phone number, home address with postal code, and any prepared speaking notes with your email request.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR Meeting 1:
MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021 AT 4:30PM.**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR Meeting 2
and 3: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2021 AT
4:30PM.**

**PLEASE NOTE: Proof of vaccination is re-
quired in order to attend any of the in-
person meetings**

