

Commissioner's Briefing

Presentation to
Environmental Services
Committee

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Agenda



- ❑ Water for Tomorrow - "The Duck Knows" Contest



- ❑ Waste Electrical Electronic Equipment Event



- ❑ Unical Update
- ❑ Southeast Collector IEA

Water for Tomorrow

"The Duck Knows" - Rejuvenate your Bathroom



- Promote and build awareness on importance of water conservation in the home
- Contest open to York Region residents
- Prizes donated from Lowes
- Promotion and Advertising begins April 19 to June 27

"The Duck Knows" contest is a key part of the *Water for Tomorrow* program in 2010



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Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Strategy



Sustainable Works WEEE Events

- ❑ Overwhelming success
- ❑ Well attended - over 275 residents in 3 hours
- ❑ Collected over 30 tonnes of electrical waste
- ❑ Improved traffic management for next event
- ❑ Vaughan CEC Event April 25

Success of WEEE event confirms growing need for electronic waste disposal within the Region



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Unical Glass Recycling Plant Update

- ❑ Region has contract with Unical Plant, which was slated to process broken glass from Blue Box recycling programs in Ontario
- ❑ Unical installed glass clean-up system at our Material Recovery Facility
- ❑ Unical has filed a notice of intent to file for bankruptcy and no longer accepting recycled glass from any municipalities
- ❑ The Region currently diverts waste glass to Toronto to mix with road base at Greenlane Landfill
- ❑ Glass diversion accounts for 2.75% of the total 2009 diversion rate
- ❑ Staff currently assessing glass recycling options
- ❑ Meeting of Municipal Waste Association planned for April 20 to assess status of recycled glass market

Diversion is assured in the medium term through continued use of glass as a road base.



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Southeast Collector IEA Update

- ❑ MOE approved Southeast Collector IEA on March 31st
- ❑ 74 strict conditions imposed on project:
 - ❑ Conditions are significant, costly, but achievable
 - ❑ Significant monitoring and reporting requirements
 - ❑ Conditions will likely delay start of construction
- ❑ Committee Report detailing impact of conditions will be submitted in May 2010

Southeast Collector IEA approval is a significant step towards securing long-term sustainable servicing for York Region



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Southeast Collector IEA Conditions for Approval

Conditions for Approval are as follows:

- ❑ Establish a community advisory committee
- ❑ Develop a complaint protocol
- ❑ Undertake compliance monitoring and reporting
- ❑ Achieve Water Efficiency, Inflow / Infiltration reduction targets
- ❑ Report on Odour monitoring and mitigation
- ❑ Report on Ambient air quality monitoring
- ❑ Submit a Performance Management Plan annually
- ❑ Ensure groundwater and surface water monitoring and mitigation
- ❑ Implement enhancements in Bob Hunter Memorial Park



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Southeast Collector Work Currently Underway



- ❑ York Region has proceeded with work that is not dependent upon the IEA
- ❑ Concrete segmental sewer components were tendered in 2009 and will be in production for 2010
- ❑ Upgrades to Pickering and Durham Region haul roads tendered in 2009. Construction to commence in 2010
- ❑ Properties acquisitions have commenced
- ❑ Enhancements to Rouge Park and Bob Hunter Memorial Park have been agreed upon



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Southeast Collector Next Steps

- ❑ Activities dependent upon IEA approval and receipt of the approval conditions can now proceed:
 - ❑ Preconstruction conditions from the IEA approval to start immediately
 - ❑ Applications to MOE for CofAs & PTTW
 - ❑ Property acquisition from Ontario Realty Corporation, Hydro One Networks Incorporated, TRCA and private owners requiring expropriation will now proceed
 - ❑ Site Plan Approvals are required from the City of Pickering, Town of Markham and Region of Durham
 - ❑ Design Drawings and Tender packages can now be finalized



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Questions



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