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Via email

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Dear Jason H. Trottier,

**Re: Official Plan Review – Municipality of East Ferris  
MMAH File Number: 48-OP-136551**

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On March 29, 2016, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) issued a partial decision on the Official Plan for the Municipality of East Ferris.

At that time, a decision regarding certain policies and schedules was withheld, pending further review and comment by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) (formerly the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change). The decision withheld approval on sections 5.2.4 Rural-Residential Uses, 5.3.3 Waterfront - Permitted Uses, 5.3.5 Waterfront - Commercial, 5.3.7 Waterfront – Lake Specific Protection Policy and 6.2.7- Shoreline Alteration. The decision also withheld approval on the delineation and description of waterbodies on schedules A, B, C, E, F and the entirety of schedule D.

Comments from MECP were received and used to inform proposed modifications (draft decision) to the remaining policies and schedules in the Fall of 2016. The proposed modifications were shared with the municipality and after discussion between East Ferris and MMAH, in December 2016 a revised draft decision was prepared that both parties agreed protected provincial interests while permitting local flexibility. At that time, East Ferris requested that MMAH hold its decision until such time as the water quality studies were made available to them.

As the studies have now been made available (spring 2019), the Ministry is now prepared to proceed with its decision on the outstanding sections of the OP. Attached to this letter

are proposed modifications to the adopted official plan, which reflect the outcomes of lake capacity studies and address matters requested by the Algonquins of Ontario in 2016. Please note that while the 2016 draft decision reflected the 2014 Provincial Policy Statement (PPS), the proposed modifications have not been impacted by the coming into effect of the 2020 PPS and remain the same.

For ease of reference I have also attached to this email a copy of the 2016 Minister's Modified version of the Municipality of East Ferris Official Plan. Sections where a decision was withheld are identified in grey.

Should you have any concerns, or wish to meet virtually to discuss further, please contact Caitlin Carmichael, Planner with Municipal Services Office-North (Sudbury) **by April 30, 2021**. She can be reached at [caitlin.carmichael@ontario.ca](mailto:caitlin.carmichael@ontario.ca).

Sincerely,



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c: Greg Kirton, Municipality of East Ferris

Encl: Minister's Modified version of the Municipality of East Ferris Official Plan (2016)  
Proposed Modifications February 2021