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Reference No. 8682203

Township of Springwater
Administration Centre
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Attention: Brent Spagnol, Director of Planning Services & By-law Enforcement

Dear Sir:

Re: Environmental Resource Recovery Centre
2976 Horseshoe Valley Road Township of Springwater
Application for Official Plan Amendment and Rezoning
Tree Preservation and Landscape Plans

It is noted that the pre-consultation minutes for the Environmental Resource Recovery Centre (ERRC) indicated the need to provide a landscape plan and a tree preservation plan in support of the applications. We fully agree that both the nature of the site and the use proposed warrant the development of such plans prior to development occurring. However it is recommended that the plans be prepared and submitted at a later time for reasons noted below.

Tree Preservation Plan

A tree preservation plan should be prepared considering the location of the proposed site and its access road within the County Forest. It is noted that the area proposed for the facility is an actively managed plantation. Therefore, the trees in this area are not intended to be maintained in perpetuity. Notwithstanding this the trees do represent a valuable resource. Therefore it is appropriate to prepare a plan to ensure the preservation of trees outside of area to be developed. It would be appropriate to prepare such a plan once there is a better understanding of the precise facility location within the 4.5 hectare development envelope. The site area, configuration and precise location may be modified slightly through the review of the applications and the receipt of additional input. For this reason it would be appropriate to develop a tree preservation plan following further review of the Official Plan amendment and rezoning applications. The plan should be prepared and submitted as part of the site plan review process.



Landscape Plan

It was also indicated at the pre-consultation meeting that a landscape plan must be submitted. This would be a typical and appropriate requirement for this type of development. It would be anticipated that the landscape plan would address treatment of disturbed edges in the plantation, additional screening if required and overall site appearance. Again these matters would be influenced by the final configuration of the site as well as its internal layout. For this reason we again would respectfully request that the landscape plan be prepared and considered during the site plan review.

I trust that the foregoing information is adequate for your purposes. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Edwards', written in a cursive style.

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