October 28, 2024

Office of the Municipal Clerk   By email: mtownsend@townofgrandvalley.ca
Town of Grand Valley
5 Main Street North
Grand Valley ON   L9W 5S6

Dear Town of Grand Valley,

Re: 2025 Grand River Conservation Authority Draft Budget for Consultation

Please be advised that the General Membership of the Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) approved the GRCA's Budget 2025 Draft #1 for consultation purposes at their meeting on October 25, 2024. The approved motion is as follows:

THAT Report Number GM-10-24-87 – Budget 2025 – Draft #1 be approved for consultation purposes, circulated to all participating municipalities, and posted to the GRCA website.

This consultation circulation is required under *Ontario Regulation 402/22: Budget and Apportionment* which came into effect July 1, 2023, and sets out requirements for Conservation Authority budgets and municipal apportionment.

The attached report and draft 2025 budget outline the programs and services of the GRCA and how those programs are expected to be funded in 2025. Also attached is the municipal apportionment information.

This draft budget includes a total municipal apportionment amount of $13,757,000 which represents a 3.5% increase over 2024. Municipal apportionment of General Operating Expenses, Category 1 Operating Expenses, and Category 2 Operating Expenses have been allocated to participating municipalities using Modified Current Value Assessment (MCVA) information in the watershed, which was provided by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR).

Under O.Reg.402/22, municipal apportionment and the budget must be approved at separate meetings. The Municipal Apportionment vote is scheduled to occur at the GRCA General Membership meeting on January 24, 2025, and the Final 2025 Budget vote is scheduled for the meeting on February 28, 2025.

Should you have any questions or feedback concerning the draft budget or municipal apportionment, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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Karen Armstrong,
Deputy CAO/ Secretary-Treasurer