



GRAND VALLEY

MEMO TO COUNCIL

To: Mayor Soloman and Members of Council
From: Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk
Meeting Date: 2026-03-10
Subject: East Luther Landfill – Request for Reduced Monitoring Approval

Purpose

To inform Council that the request for reduced monitoring at the East Luther Landfill has been approved.

Background

In March 2023, the Town of Grand Valley submitted a proposal to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' (MECP) Drinking Water and Environmental Compliance Division. In the proposal, prepared by RJ Burnside and Associates for the Town, MECP was asked to consider reducing the amount and type of testing that the Town is required to undertake to monitor site conditions at the former landfill on Sideroad 21-22. The current monitoring program is governed by the MECP-approved Monitoring Program.

Discussion

On February 18, 2026, the Town received the notice attached to this memo as Attachment 1. In this memo, MECP gives its approval for amending our program by removing some monitoring wells, reducing surface water monitoring and decreasing reporting from annual to biennial. Burnside will provide Council with details on the impacts of this approval in a future report.

Financial Impact

Reduction in monitoring costs to be presented at a future Council meeting.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – MECP notice – East Luther Landfill Optimization of Monitoring and Reporting Requirements

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