

**AMENDED ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE APPROVAL**

NUMBER 3182-CKCNA6  
Issue Date: October 25, 2022

Woodlands Links Ltd.  
37858 Huron Rd  
Central Huron, ON  
N0M 1L0

Site Location: Woodlands Links Ltd.  
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*You have applied under section 20.2 of Part II.1 of the Environmental Protection Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E. 19 (Environmental Protection Act) for approval of:*

sewage works for the treatment and subsurface disposal of domestic sewage from Woodlands Links Golf Course at the above Site Location, at a daily sewage flow of **15,000 litres per day**, consisting of the following:

**Proposed Works**

sewage works for the collection, transmission, treatment and disposal of domestic sewage from one (1) 4-bedroom dwelling with a Rated Capacity of **3,000 litres per day** located at the above site location:

- One (1) two-compartment precast concrete septic tank having a total capacity of 6,750 litres equipped with an approved effluent filter on an outlet pipe, receiving sewage from the dwelling and discharging effluent to the proposed subsurface sewage disposal system described below by gravity;
- One (1) in-ground distribution box discharging by gravity to an absorption trench leaching bed disposal system; and
- One (1) absorption trench leaching bed, consisting of six (6) runs of 20 m length and 75 mm diameter distribution pipes equally spaced 1.6 m apart, all installed in a 300 mm layer of stone.

## Existing Works

sewage works for the collection, transmission, treatment and disposal of domestic sewage from the Woodlands Links Gold Course clubhouse facilities with a Rated Capacity of **12,000 litres per day** located at the above site location:

- One (1) 13,600 L capacity watertight two (2)-compartment septic tank equipped with baffles, inlet and outlet piping, access opening, venting and manhole access openings, discharging by gravity to a sewage pumping station;
- One (1) in-ground pump chamber equipped with two (2) alternating submersible sewage dosing pumps each with a controlled rated capacity of 2.83 L/s at a TDH of 2.67 m equipped with a flow control valve to control the dosing to 75% of the total volume of the filter bed distribution piping over a maximum 15 minute cycle period, liquid level float control system with alarms, valves and piping, access hatchway, forcemain discharge piping to a distribution box, together with adjacent pole mounted, lockable, weatherproof pump control panel with alarm;
- One (1) in-ground distribution box discharging by gravity to a raised leaching bed subsurface sewage disposal system; and
- One (1) in-ground raised leaching bed subsurface sewage disposal system having a total surface area of 1500 m<sup>2</sup> and imported soil having a design percolation rate "T" of 7.5 min/cm, complete with fifteen (15) runs of 30 m length perforated pipe;

all other controls, electrical equipment, instrumentation, piping, pumps, valves and appurtenances essential for the proper operation of the aforementioned Works;

all in accordance with the submitted supporting documents listed in **Schedule A**.

*For the purpose of this environmental compliance approval, the following definitions apply:*

1. "Approval" means this entire document and any schedules attached to it, and the application;
2. "Director" means a person appointed by the Minister pursuant to section 5 of the EPA for the purposes of Part II.1 of the EPA;
3. "District Manager" means the District Manager of the Owen Sound District Office;
4. "EPA" means the *Environmental Protection Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.19, as amended;
5. "Existing Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that have been constructed previously;
6. "Licensed Engineering Practitioner" means a person who holds a licence, limited licence or

temporary licence under the *Professional Engineers Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.28;

7. "Licensed Installer" means a person who is registered under the OBC to construct, install, repair, service, clean or empty on-site sewage systems;
8. "Ministry" means the ministry of the government of Ontario responsible for the EPA and OWRA and includes all officials, employees or other persons acting on its behalf;
9. "OBC" means the Ontario Building Code, Ontario Regulation 332/12 (Building Code) as amended to January 1, 2015, made under the *Building Code Act*, 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 23;
10. "Owner" means Woodlands Links Ltd. and its successors and assignees;
11. "OWRA" means the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.40, as amended;
12. "Proposed Works" means those portions of the Works included in the Approval that are under construction or to be constructed;
13. "Rated Capacity" means design daily sanitary sewage flow for which the Works are approved to handle;
14. "Works" means the approved sewage works, and includes Proposed Works, and Existing Works.

*You are hereby notified that this environmental compliance approval is issued to you subject to the terms and conditions outlined below:*

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1. The Owner shall ensure that any person authorized to carry out work on or operate any aspect of the Works is notified of this Approval and the terms and conditions herein and shall take all reasonable measures to ensure any such person complies with the same.
2. The Owner shall design, construct, operate and maintain the Works in accordance with the conditions of this Approval.
3. Where there is a conflict between a provision of any document referred to in this Approval and the conditions of this Approval, the conditions in this Approval shall take precedence.

## 2. EXPIRY OF APPROVAL

1. The approval issued by this Approval will cease to apply to those parts of the Works which have not been constructed within **five (5) years** of the date of this Approval.

## 3. CHANGE OF OWNER

1. The Owner shall notify the District Manager and the Director, in writing, of any of the following changes **within 30 days** of the change occurring:
  - a. change of address of Owner;
  - b. change of Owner, including address of new owner;
  - c. change of partners where the Owner is or at any time becomes a partnership, and a copy of the most recent declaration filed under the *Business Names Act* , R.S.O. 1990, c.B17 shall be included in the notification to the District Manager;
  - d. change of name of the corporation and a copy of the most current information filed under the *Corporations Information Act* , R.S.O. 1990, c. C39 shall be included in the notification to the District Manager;
2. In the event of any change in ownership of the Works, other than a change to a successor municipality, the Owner shall notify in writing the succeeding owner of the existence of this Approval, and a copy of such notice shall be forwarded to the District Manager and the Director.
3. The Owner shall ensure that all communications made pursuant to this condition refer to the number of this Approval.

## 4. CONSTRUCTION

1. The Owner shall ensure that the construction of the Works is supervised by a Licensed Installer or a Licensed Engineering Practitioner.
2. The Owner shall ensure that the Works are constructed such that minimum horizontal clearance distances as specified in the OBC are satisfied.
3. Upon construction of the Works, the Owner shall prepare a statement, certified by a Licensed Installer or a Licensed Engineering Practitioner, that the Works are constructed in accordance with this Approval, and upon request, shall make the written statement available for inspection by Ministry staff.
4. Upon construction of the Works, the Owner shall prepare a set of as-built drawings showing the Works "as constructed". "As-built" drawings shall be kept up to date through revisions undertaken from time to time and a copy shall be retained at the site for the operational life of the Works and

shall be made available for inspection by Ministry staff.

## 5. OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE, AND RECORDING

1. The Owner shall ensure that, at all times, the Works and the related equipment and appurtenances used to achieve compliance with this Approval are properly operated and maintained. Proper operation and maintenance shall include effective performance, adequate funding, adequate staffing and training, including training in all procedures and other requirements of this Approval and the OWRA and regulations, adequate laboratory facilities, process controls and alarms and the use of process chemicals and other substances used in the Works.
2. The Owner shall ensure that the septic tank is pumped out every 3-5 years or when the tank is 1/3 full of solids and the effluent filter is cleaned out at minimum once a year (or more often if required).
3. The Owner shall ensure that grass-cutting is maintained regularly over the subsurface disposal bed(s), and that adequate steps are taken to ensure that the area of the underground Works is protected from vehicle traffic.
4. The Owner shall visually inspect the general area where Works are located for break-out once every month during the operating season.
5. In the event a break-out is observed from a subsurface disposal bed, the Owner shall do the following:
  - a. sewage discharge to that subsurface disposal system shall be discontinued;
  - b. the incident shall be **immediately** reported verbally to the Spills Action Centre (SAC) at (416) 325-3000 or 1-800-268-6060;
  - c. submit a written report to the District Manager within **one (1) week** of the break-out;
  - d. access to the break-out area shall be restricted until remedial actions are complete;
  - e. during the time remedial actions are taking place the sewage generated at the site shall not be allowed to discharge to the environment; and
  - f. sewage generated at the site shall be safely collected and disposed of through a licensed waste hauler to an approved sewage disposal site.
6. The Owner shall maintain a logbook to record the results of Operation and Maintenance activities specified in the above sub-clauses, and shall keep the logbook at the site and make it available for inspection by the Ministry staff.
7. The Owner shall retain for a minimum of **five (5) years** from the date of their creation, all records and information related to or resulting from the Operation and Maintenance activities required by

this Approval.

## 6. REPORTING

1. **One week** prior to the start up of the operation of the Works, the Owner shall notify the District Manager (in writing) of the pending start up date.
2. In addition to the obligations under Part X of the EPA and O. Reg. 675/98 (Classification and Exemption of Spills and Reporting of Discharges) made under the EPA, the Owner shall, within **fifteen (15) days** of the occurrence of any reportable spill as provided in Part X of the EPA and O. Reg. 675/98, submit a full written report of the occurrence to the District Manager describing the cause and discovery of the spill, clean-up and recovery measures taken, preventative measures to be taken and a schedule of implementation.

*The reasons for the imposition of these terms and conditions are as follows:*

1. Condition 1 is imposed to ensure that the Works are built and operated in the manner in which they were described for review and upon which approval was granted. This condition is also included to emphasize the precedence of Conditions in the Approval and the practice that the Approval is based on the most current document, if several conflicting documents are submitted for review. The condition also advises the Owners their responsibility to notify any person they authorized to carry out work pursuant to this Approval the existence of this Approval.
2. Condition 2 is included to ensure that, when the Works are constructed, the Works will meet the standards that apply at the time of construction to ensure the ongoing protection of the environment.
3. Condition 3 is included to ensure that the Ministry records are kept accurate and current with respect to the approved Works and to ensure that subsequent owners of the Works are made aware of the Approval and continue to operate the Works in compliance with it.
4. Condition 4 is included to ensure that the Works are constructed, and may be operated and maintained such that the environment is protected and deterioration, loss, injury or damage to any person or property is prevented.
5. Condition 5 is included to require that the Works be properly operated, maintained, and equipped such that the environment is protected.
6. Condition 6 is included to provide a performance record for future references, to ensure that the Ministry is made aware of problems as they arise, and to provide a compliance record for all the terms and conditions outlined in this Approval, so that the Ministry can work with the Owner in resolving any problems in a timely manner.

## **Schedule A**

1. Previous application and documentation including a design report and enclosed drawings prepared by R.J. Burnside & Associates Ltd. and Maitland Engineering Services Ltd; and
2. Application for Approval of Sewage Works submitted by Anne Egan, P.Eng., of R.J. Burnside & Associates Ltd., and signed by Mike Harris of Woodlands Links Inc., dated July 19, 2022 and all supporting documentation and information.

**Upon issuance of the environmental compliance approval, I hereby revoke Approval No(s). 5509-5REPXH issued on September 23, 2003.**

In accordance with Section 139 of the *Environmental Protection Act*, you may by written notice served upon me, the Ontario Land Tribunal and in accordance with Section 47 of the *Environmental Bill of Rights, 1993*, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, within 15 days after receipt of this notice, require a hearing by the Tribunal. The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks will place notice of your appeal on the Environmental Registry. Section 142 of the *Environmental Protection Act* provides that the notice requiring the hearing ("the Notice") shall state:

- a. The portions of the environmental compliance approval or each term or condition in the environmental compliance approval in respect of which the hearing is required, and;
- b. The grounds on which you intend to rely at the hearing in relation to each portion appealed.

Pursuant to subsection 139(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act*, a hearing may not be required with respect to any terms and conditions in this environmental compliance approval, if the terms and conditions are substantially the same as those contained in an approval that is amended or revoked by this environmental compliance approval.

The Notice should also include:

1. The name of the appellant;
2. The address of the appellant;
3. The environmental compliance approval number;
4. The date of the environmental compliance approval;
5. The name of the Director, and;
6. The municipality or municipalities within which the project is to be engaged in.

And the Notice should be signed and dated by the appellant.

This Notice must be served upon:

Registrar\*  
Ontario Land Tribunal  
655 Bay Street, Suite 1500  
Toronto, Ontario  
M5G 1E5  
OLT.Registrar@ontario.ca

and

The Minister of the Environment,  
Conservation and Parks  
777 Bay Street, 5th.Floor  
Toronto, Ontario  
M7A 2J3

and

The Director appointed for the purposes of  
Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*  
Ministry of the Environment,  
Conservation and Parks  
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor  
Toronto, Ontario  
M4V 1P5

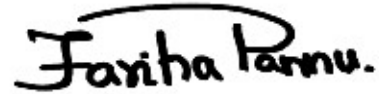
**\* Further information on the Ontario Land Tribunal's requirements for an appeal can be obtained directly from the Tribunal at: Tel: (416) 212-6349 or 1 (866) 448-2248, or [www.olt.gov.on.ca](http://www.olt.gov.on.ca)**



This instrument is subject to Section 38 of the *Environmental Bill of Rights*, 1993, that allows residents of Ontario to seek leave to appeal the decision on this instrument. Residents of Ontario may seek leave to appeal within 15 days from the date this decision is placed on the Environmental Registry. By accessing the Environmental Registry at <https://ero.ontario.ca/>, you can determine when the leave to appeal period ends.

The above noted activity is approved under s.20.3 of Part II.1 of the *Environmental Protection Act*.

DATED AT TORONTO this 25th day of October, 2022



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Fariha Pannu, P.Eng.

Director

appointed for the purposes of Part II.1 of the  
*Environmental Protection Act*

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c: District Manager, MECP Owen Sound  
Anne Egan, R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited