Notice of Commencement of Environmental Assessment South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment

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Walker Environmental Group

Walker Environmental Group (Walker) is beginning an environmental assessment under the *Environmental Assessment Act* as part of the planning process for the next phase of its South Landfill (Phase 2). The proposed South Landfill Phase 2 will maintain the current annual fill rate of 1.1 million tonnes per year, while increasing the total capacity by approximately 18 million tonnes over the next 20 years. The type of waste accepted would remain unchanged.

South Landfill (Phase 1), an essential component of Walker's integrated Resource Management Campus in Niagara Falls, is nearing its final capacity. Walker is proposing to develop the next phase to continue to provide safe, affordable, and reliable waste disposal services. Phase 2 will supply renewable energy to the community and will sustain over 500 jobs in the Region. As part of the Provincial planning process under the Environmental Assessment Act, Walker has initiated an environmental assessment. This study will assess the potential effects of the proposed landfill continuation on the environment and surrounding community to ensure Phase 2 can be safely developed.

The Process

On September 10, 2024, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks approved the terms of reference for the South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment.

A copy of the approved terms of reference is available at: www.southlandfillphase2.com

A hard copy of the file can also be found at Walker's office located at: Walker Environmental Group 2800 Thorold Townline Road Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6S4 Phone: 1-866-699-9425

Email: info@southlandfillphase2.com

This study will be carried out according to the approved terms of reference and the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. Results from this study will be documented in an environmental assessment, which will be submitted to the ministry for review.

At that time, the public, Indigenous communities and other interested persons will be informed when and where the environmental assessment can be reviewed.

Consultation

Members of the public, agencies, Indigenous communities and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning of the undertaking by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with information, comments or questions. Consultation opportunities are planned throughout the planning process and will be advertised in local newspapers, on the project website www.southlandfillphase2. com, by direct mail and/or electronic mail (email).

Call for Applications: Environmental Assessment Advisory Committee for South Landfill Phase 2

Engaging the local community and considering a range of perspectives is an important part of the planning process. Walker is seeking applications from members of the public to establish a South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment Advisory Committee to gather feedback, ideas, and local perspectives. This committee will play an important role in ensuring the next phase of the South



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Landfill considers a range of perspectives from the community.

The South Landfill Phase 2 Environmental Assessment Advisory Committee will be comprised of community members, together with representatives from Walker and government agencies. Approximately six meetings will be held locally and at key project milestones.

If you are interested in participating, please contact info@southlandfillphase2.com by October 31st, 2024 to receive an application form, additional information about the committee and submission instructions.

If you would like to be added to our project mailing list or have project-related questions, please contact:

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