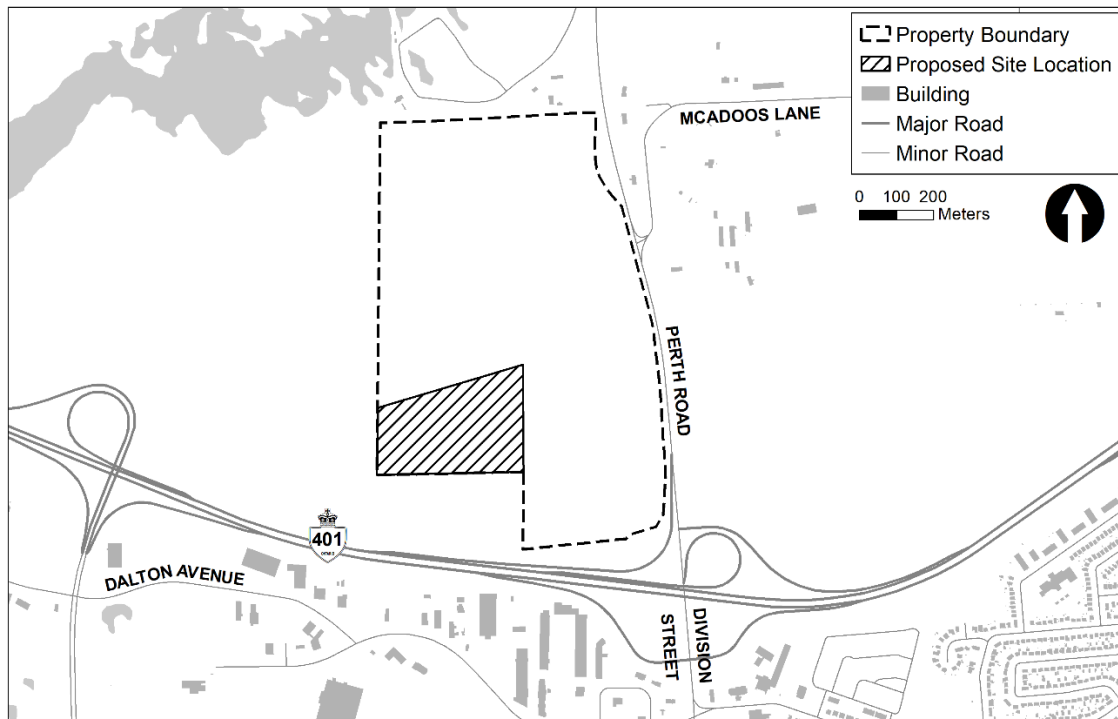


Notice of Commencement

Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for:
Kingston Regional Biosolids & Biogas Facility

The Project

Utilities Kingston is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for a combined biosolids and food waste processing facility at Knox Farm, a municipally-owned property located off of Perth Road just northwest of the Highway 401 and Division Street interchange in the City of Kingston (refer to proposed project location map). The intent is that the facility will process wastes from the City's wastewater treatment plants and "Green Bin" program to produce a renewable natural gas (biogas) and other beneficial resources.



The Process

This notice signals the commencement of the Municipal Class EA, a study which will define the problem, identify and evaluate alternative solutions and design concepts on the natural, socio-cultural, technical and financial environments, and develop a preferred design for the combined biosolids and food waste processing facility. This project builds on the **Master Plan for Enhanced Biosolids Management and Biogas Utilization** project completed in 2020 and the Knox Farm Suitability Assessment completed in April 2023.

The study is being carried out in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule 'C' projects as outlined in the Municipal Class EA (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011, 2015, and 2023), which is approved under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. Public, review agency, and Indigenous communities' consultation is a key element of the Municipal Class EA process and input will be sought throughout the project. The public was engaged in March 2023 to review the findings of the suitability of Knox Farm for the proposed facility. It is anticipated that one Public Information Centre (PIC) will be conducted to invite public input during the Municipal Class EA process.

Comments Invited

If you have any questions or comments regarding the project, or wish to be added to or removed from the study mailing list, please contact either of the following project team members:

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www.utilitieskingston.com/Projects/Detail/RegionalBiosolidsBiogasFacility

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