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# WHITEWATER REGION STORMWATER ASSESSMENT, PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COBDEN AGRICULTURAL AREA



## Invitation for Public & Agency Consultation

The Township of Whitewater Region invite you to participate in the consultation program for the "Cobden Agricultural Area Study". You are receiving this Newsletter and invitation because:

1. You are a property owner or farmer within one of the Cobden Agricultural Study priority areas for Best Management Practices (BMP) implementation, which includes the areas shown on the attached Map.
2. You are a member of the public that is interested in the learning about Best Management Practices (BMP's) for reducing nutrient loading to Significant Wetlands and Muskrat Lake in the Study Area.
3. You are part of a government or non-government organization that is interested in the protection of Significant Wetlands and the improvement of water quality of Muskrat Lake.

## Virtual Public Meeting: Wednesday, December 8th, 2021

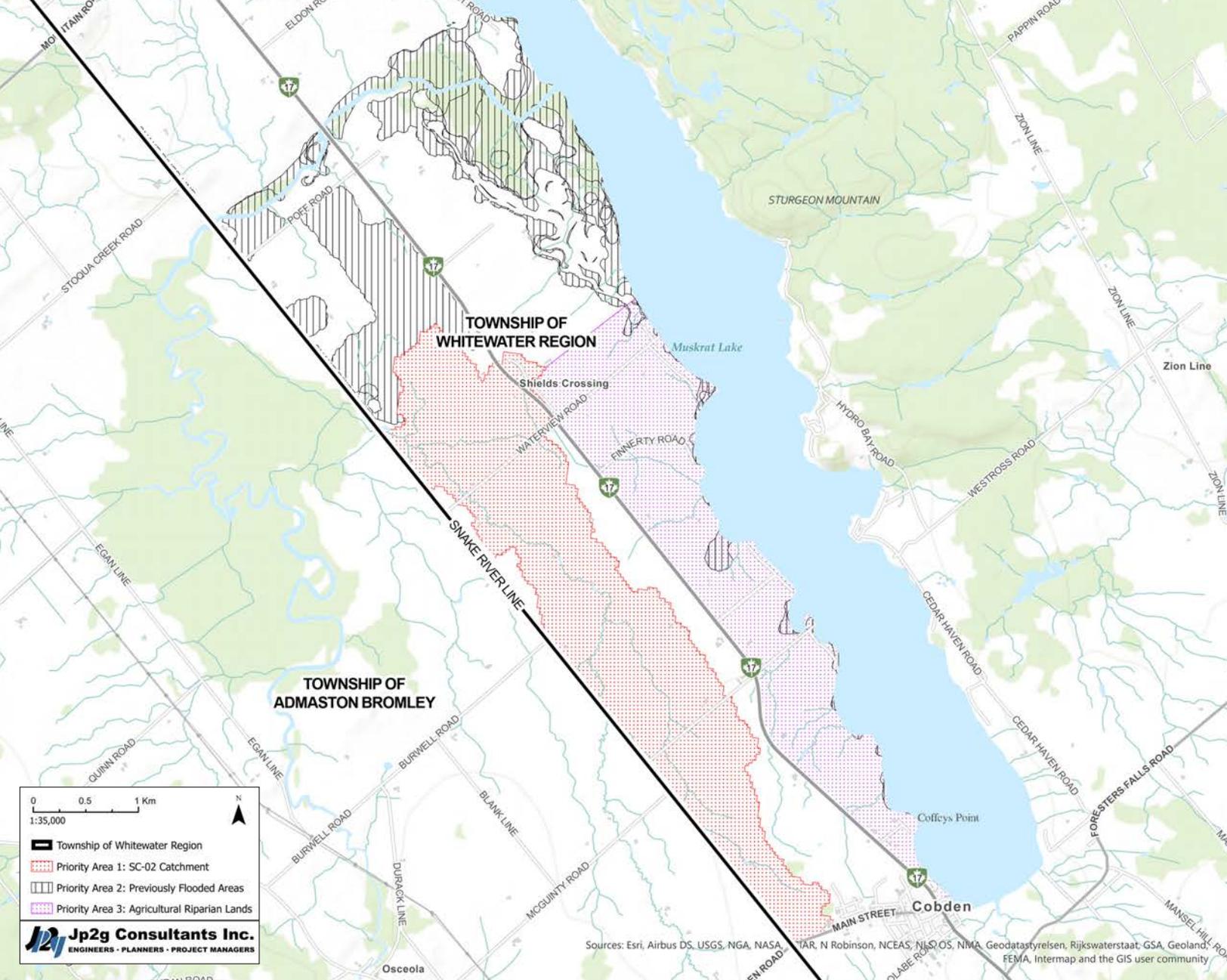
A Virtual Public Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 8th at 6:30 pm. This meeting will include a brief presentation by the Consulting Team followed by a question and answer. Members of the public will be encouraged to provide comments on the options for Best Management Practices in the Study Area.

Participation in this virtual Public Meeting can be accessed using the following link: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/86906368984> (zoom). Should you prefer to receive Zoom Meeting Invitation by e-mail, please contact: Carmen Miller [cmiller@whitewaterregion.ca](mailto:cmiller@whitewaterregion.ca)

## One-on-One / Small Group (2-3 People) Meetings: Thursday, December 9th, 2021

Farm owners, interested individuals and organizations are also invited to participate in one-on-one or small group meetings for further consultation. The purpose of these meetings will be to discuss best management for mitigating nutrient loading that would be most suitable for specific agricultural properties or generally within the Study Area.

These meetings will be held by in the basement meeting room at the Whitewater Region Municipal Offices or by a virtual Zoom meeting, upon request. Please contact Andrea Bishop ([andreab@jp2g.com](mailto:andreab@jp2g.com)) to schedule a meeting (in-person or virtual). Standard COVID-19 protocols for all in-person meetings.



## Additional Information and Next Steps:

A Draft of the Study up to and including the Background and Planning Phases of this Study work program is available for review on the Township of Whitewater Region's website, under "Projects". The Planning Phase identifies source areas of nutrient loss and includes potential best management practices (BMPs).

The public consultation program will assist the project team in assessing BMP's that will be best suited for reducing nutrient loading and help improve water quality in Muskrat Lake and the PSWs in both the short and long-term. The Final Report will include an action plan to implement best management practices (BMPs) to reduce nutrient loss for agricultural practices.



## Contact information

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### Virtual Public Meeting

December 8th, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 869 0636 8984

☎ 1-587-328-1099 or 1-647-374-4685