



Township of Amaranth

Official Plan Review

Draft Report Update

February 18th, 2026



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AGENDA

Presentation Overview

- a. Purpose of today's meeting
- b. Project Background & Status
- c. Draft Updated Official Plan
- d. Next Steps
- e. Recommendation



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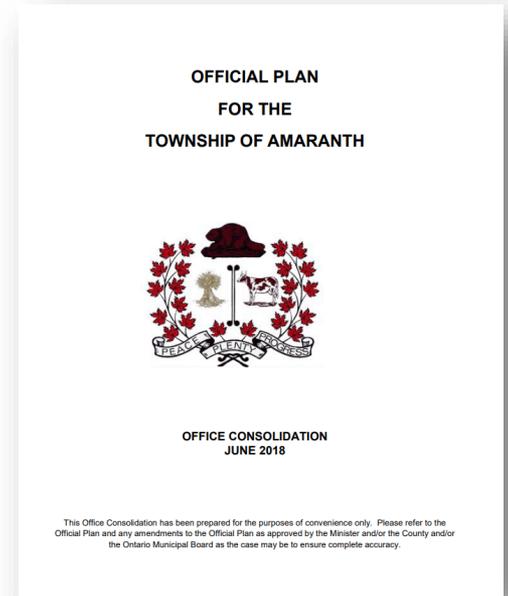
Official Plan Review - Overview

Background

- The Township's existing Official Plan was originally approved in 2004.
- The County completed their Official Plan review in 2025.
- The Township has retained MHBC to undertake the Township Official Plan Review to update the existing plan to conform with County direction

Project goals

- Incorporate direction from recent local and Provincial policy direction into the Official Plan
- Conform and be consistent with recent Provincial policies (i.e. PPS 2024)
- Improve usability and readability, ensuring document is clear
- Utilize current information to update mapping



Official Plan Review – Project Schedule

PHASE 1 (July – October)

Review background material and current Official Plan and prepare Background Report. Provide Background Report for public consultation.

PHASE 2 (October – February)

Prepare draft Official Plan update, present to Council and **consult with community regarding draft policies.**

We are here

PHASE 3 (February – April)

Finalize draft Official Plan based on feedback, hold statutory public meeting, finalize Official Plan update, present final Official Plan to Council for adoption.



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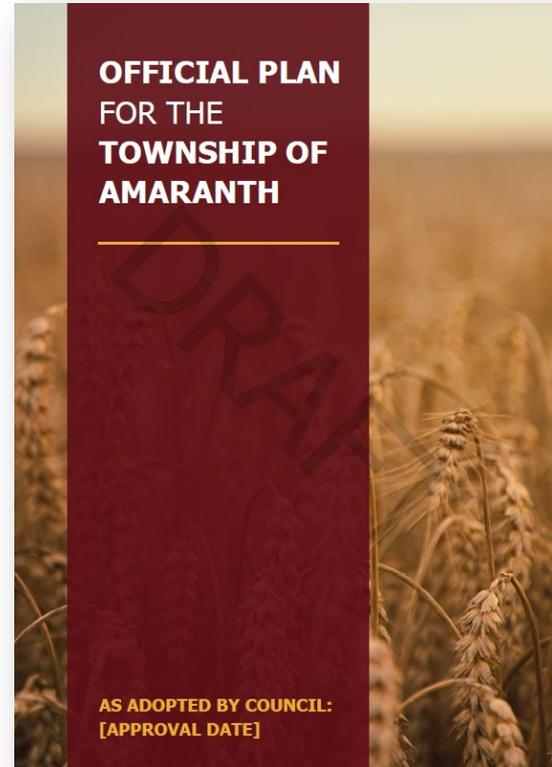


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Official Plan Review - Status

What we have been working on?

- Prepared a redline draft of the Township Official Plan text based on updates to missing/outdated policies and incorporating key themes identified in the Background Report.
- Updated Official Plan schedules based off of the findings of the LEAR study and updated County Official Plan mapping.



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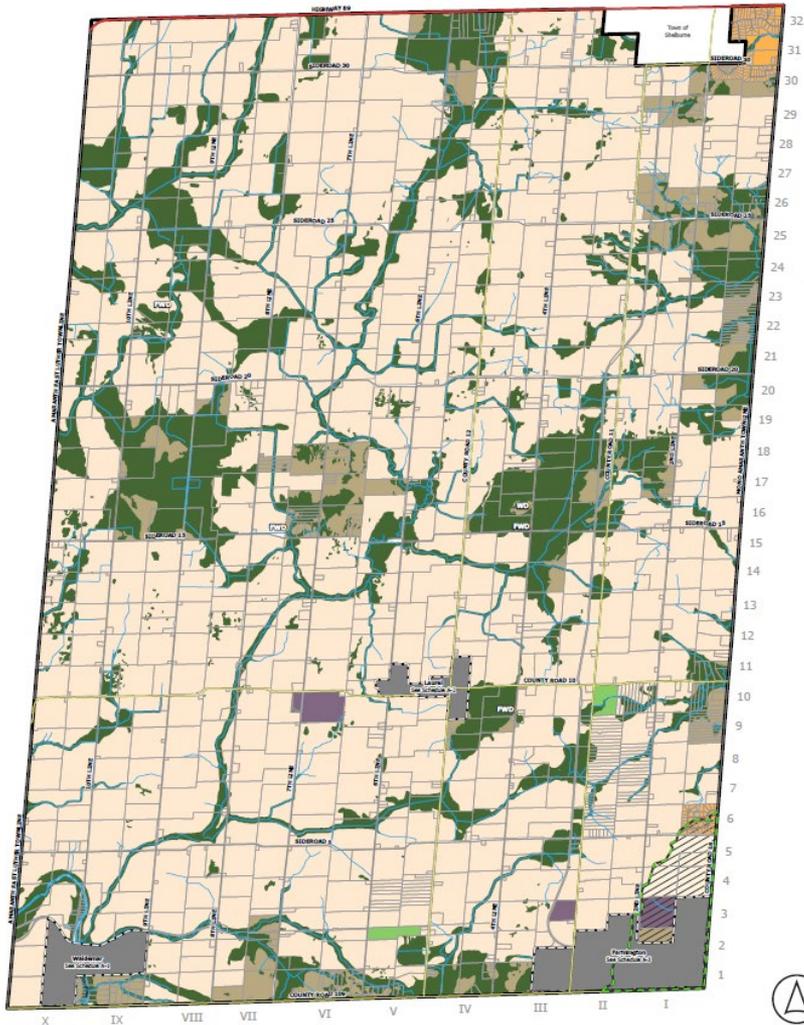


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Draft Official Plan – Schedule A

Key Changes:

- Updated to show prime agricultural area based on refinement of the LEAR study.
- Updated settlement areas of Laurel and Waldemar to reflect settlement area reallocation exercise
- Refined Environmental Protection area mapping based on Conservation Authority and County mapping.



LEGEND

- Municipal Boundary
- Greenbelt Plan Area Boundary
- Community Settlement Area
- Former Waste Disposal Site
- Water Disposal Site
- Watercourse
- Waterbody

- ### Roads
- Highway
 - County Road
 - Municipal Road

Land Use

- Prime Agricultural
- Rural
- Community Residential
- Estate Residential
- Community Commercial
- Community Institutional
- Environmental Protection
- Open Space / Recreation
- Employment Area
- Extractive Industrial

- Greenbelt Protected Countryside - Prime Agricultural
- Greenbelt Protected Countryside - Rural
- Greenbelt Protected Countryside - Estate Residential
- Greenbelt Protected Countryside - Extractive Industrial



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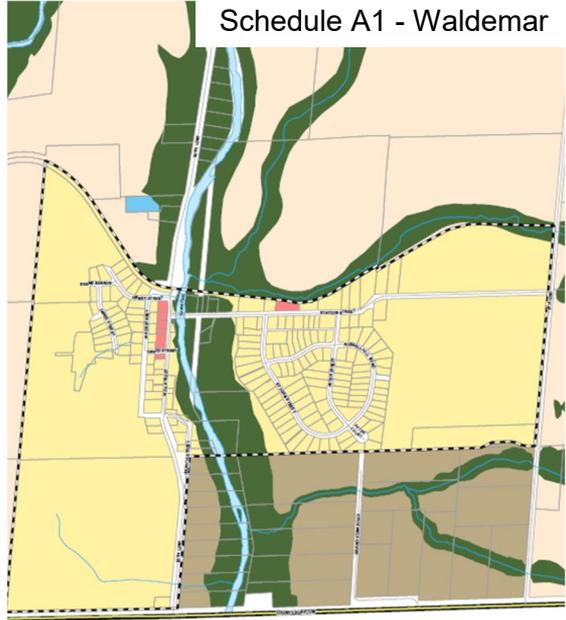
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SCHEDULE "A"
LAND USE & TRANSPORTATION



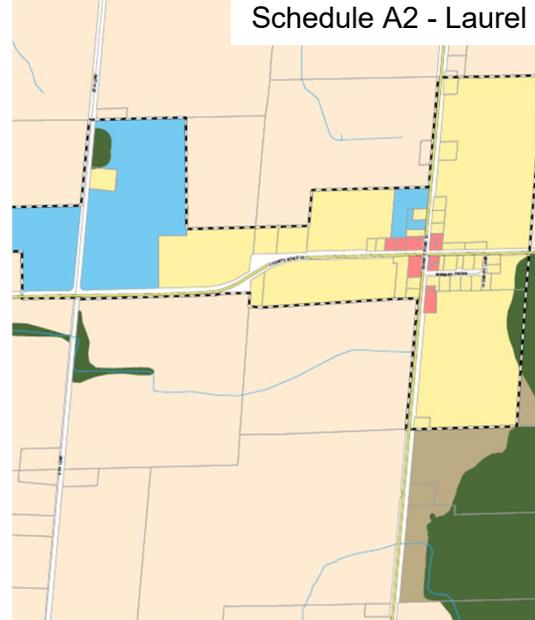
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Draft Official Plan – Schedules A1-A3

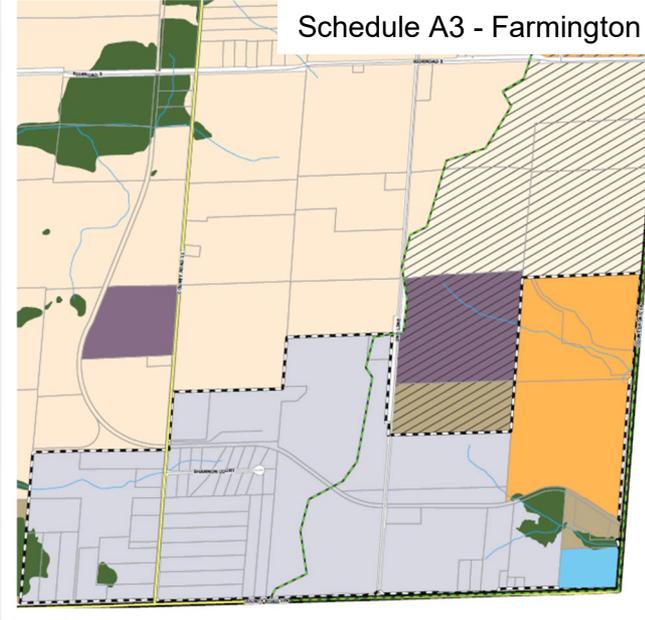
Schedule A1 - Waldemar



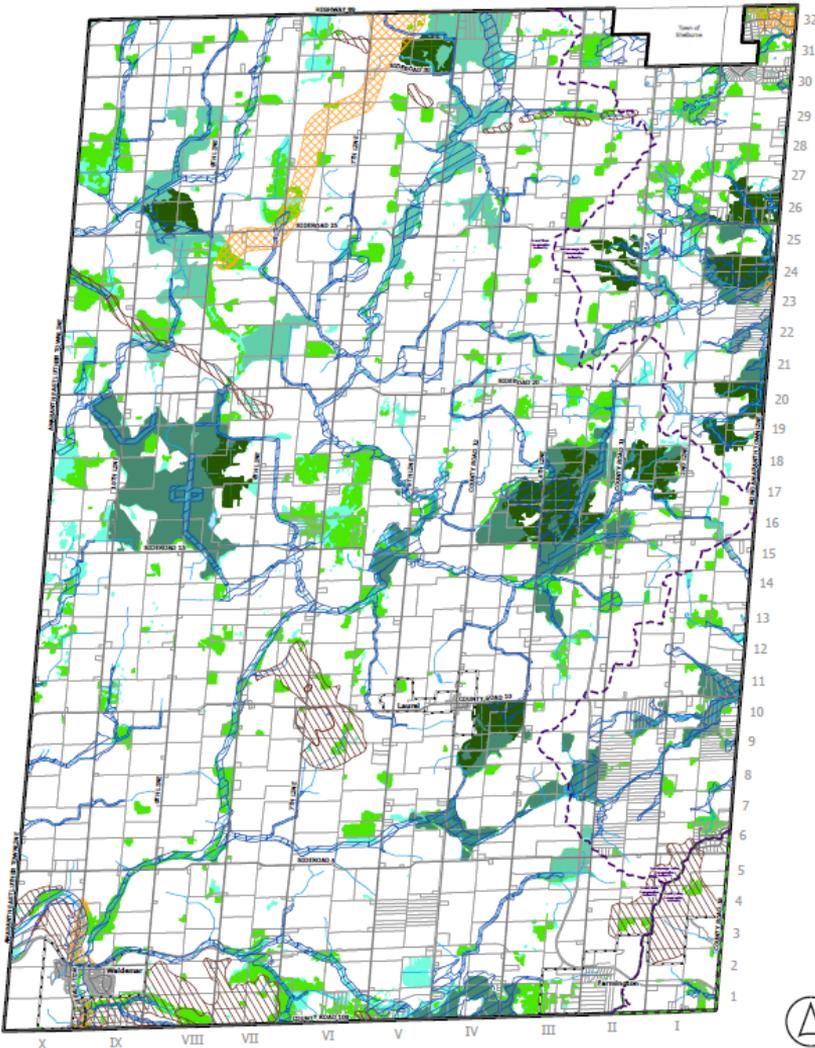
Schedule A2 - Laurel



Schedule A3 - Farmington



Draft Official Plan – Schedule B



Key Changes:

- Refined Environmental Features mapping based on Provincial, Conservation Authority, and County mapping. Changes are anticipated to be required in the future when the County finishes their updates to the natural heritage system mapping and policies.
- Updated Bedrock and Sand & Gravel Resource Area mapping based on County mapping and ARIP 163.

LEGEND

Municipal Boundary	Significant Forest Area
Greenbelt Plan Area Boundary	Other Forest Area
Community Settlement Area	Provincially Significant Wetland
Conservation Authority Boundary	Locally Significant Wetland
Roads	Other Wetland
Watercourse	Slope Erosion Hazard
Waterbody	Bedrock Resource Area
Floodplain	Sand and Gravel Resource Area



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SCHEDULE "B"
ENVIRONMENTAL FEATURES

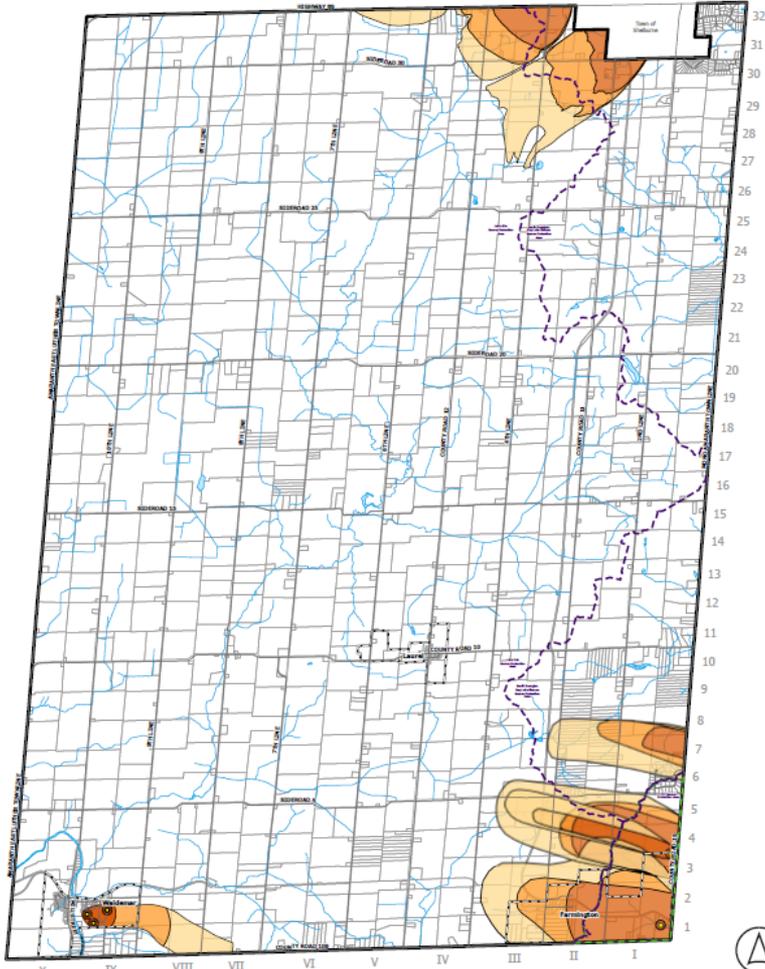
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Draft Official Plan – Schedule C

Key Changes:

- Inclusion of updated source water protection areas based on County mapping.



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LEGEND

- Municipal Boundary
- Greenbelt Plan Area Boundary
- Community Settlement Area
- Source Protection Area Boundary
- Roads
- Watercourse
- Waterbody

Source Water Protection

- Municipal Wells
- WHPA-A
- WHPA-B
- WHPA-C
- WHPA-D

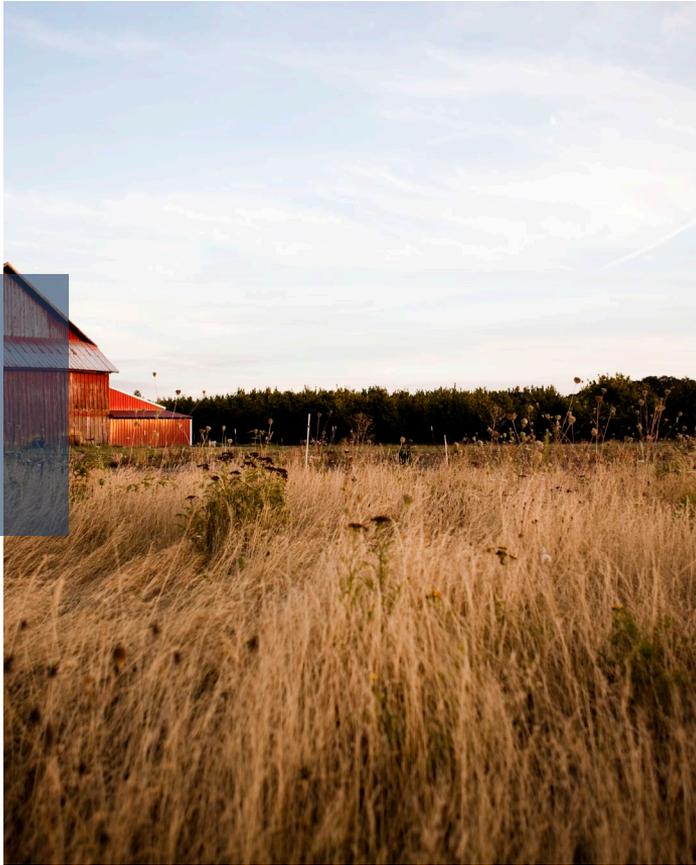


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SCHEDULE "C"
SOURCE WATER PROTECTION

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What's Next

- Receive comments on draft Official Plan.
- Host community consultation meeting.
- Review and consider comments received.
- Finalize draft Official Plan, incorporating Council & community feedback.
- Present final Official Plan presented at Council Meeting for adoption.
- Assist with County approval and implementation of updated Official Plan.





How to Participate

- Sign-up for the email update list – *link on the Township's OP Review webpage.*
- Attend & participate in community / Council meetings.
- Provide feedback to the project team (contact details on last page of presentation).





Thank you!



Any questions?

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