



**AMENDED NOTICE OF DECISION
OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT
SECTION 17(35) AND 21 OF THE PLANNING ACT
BY THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF LANARK**

TAKE NOTICE that the County of Lanark approved Official Plan Amendment No. 29 (File No. 0900-OP-23001) to the Municipality of Mississippi Mills Community Official Plan and Official Plan Amendment No. 12 (File No. 0900-OP-23002) to the County of Lanark Sustainable Communities Official Plan By-law 2024-14 on **April 10, 2024**. The Amended Notice of Decision repeals and replaces the previous Notice of Decision that was issued on April 12, 2024 to include both a statutory statement required by Section 5(5) of O. Reg. 543/06 and details required by section 17 (23.1) (a) of the Planning Act.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

The purpose of Official Plan Amendment No. 29 (COP 29) is to designate prime agricultural areas as “Agricultural” on Schedule “A” to the COP for the Municipality of Mississippi Mills using a Land Evaluation Area Review (LEAR) methodology, and to implement related amendments to the text of the Plan. The purpose of Official Plan Amendment No. 12 to the Sustainable Communities Official Plan (SCOPA 12) is to designate lands proposed as “Agricultural” on Schedule “A” to the COP for the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, as “Agricultural Land” on Schedule “A” to the SCOP.

The effect of COPA 29 is to repeal and replace “Schedule ‘A’ Rural Land Use” to the COP with a new “Schedule ‘A’ Rural Land Use”, and to amend the “Agricultural” policies and “General Provisions” of the COP related to the use of a “Land Evaluation Area Review” (LEAR) methodology for delineating prime agricultural areas. COPA 29 also removes the Rural Agricultural Overlay and related Rural Land Use policies. Schedule A of the SCOP is attached to this notice.

EXPLANATION OF THE EFFECT OF WRITTEN AND ORAL SUBMISSIONS HAD ON DECISION

Ten public submissions were received by the County following the Town’s adoption of the Official Plan Amendment. During the LEAR Study, the Municipality of Mississippi Mills received numerous of comments. Comments from the public were considered as part of the decision-making process and informed final designation mapping and policy text.

WHEN AND HOW TO FILE AN APPEAL

Any appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) must be filed with the County Clerk of the County of Lanark not later than 4:00 p.m. on **May 9, 2024**.

The appeal should be sent to the attention of the County Clerk, at the address shown below and it must:

- 1) Set out the reasons for the appeal and the specific part of the proposed official plan amendment to which the appeal applies; and
- 2) Must be accompanied by the fee required by the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) payable by certified cheque to the Minister of Finance, Province of Ontario.

WHO CAN FILE AN APPEAL

The proposed County SCOP amendment is exempt from approval by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH). The decision of Lanark County Council is final if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last day for filing a notice of appeal.

Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the approval authority to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT). A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the plan was adopted, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT), there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

WHEN THE DECISION IS FINAL

The decision of the County of Lanark is final if a notice of appeal is not received on or before the last date for appeal noted above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information about the application and the decision is available upon request at plan@lanarkcounty.ca or phone 613-267-4200 ext. 1502 or in-person at Lanark County Administrative Building (99 Christie Lake Road, Perth ON) from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

DATED IN THE TOWN OF PERTH, THIS 19th DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

Jasmin Ralph, County Clerk
99 Christie Lake Road
Perth ON K7H 3C6
1-613-267-4200 Ext 1502

DECISION

With respect to the Municipality of Mississippi Mills
Official Plan Subsection 17(34) of the Planning Act

Whereas Official Plan Amendment No. 29 was adopted by the Municipality of Mississippi Mills on September 20, 2022 by By-law No. 22-072 and forwarded to the County of Lanark for a decision under subsection 17(34) of the Planning Act;

And whereas Official Plan Amendment No. 29 proposes to add new policies to the Official Plan for the Municipality of Mississippi Mills and to amend, repeal and/or replace Map Schedules and Appendices;

Now therefore, pursuant to subsection 17(34) of the Planning Act, the County of Lanark makes the following decision:

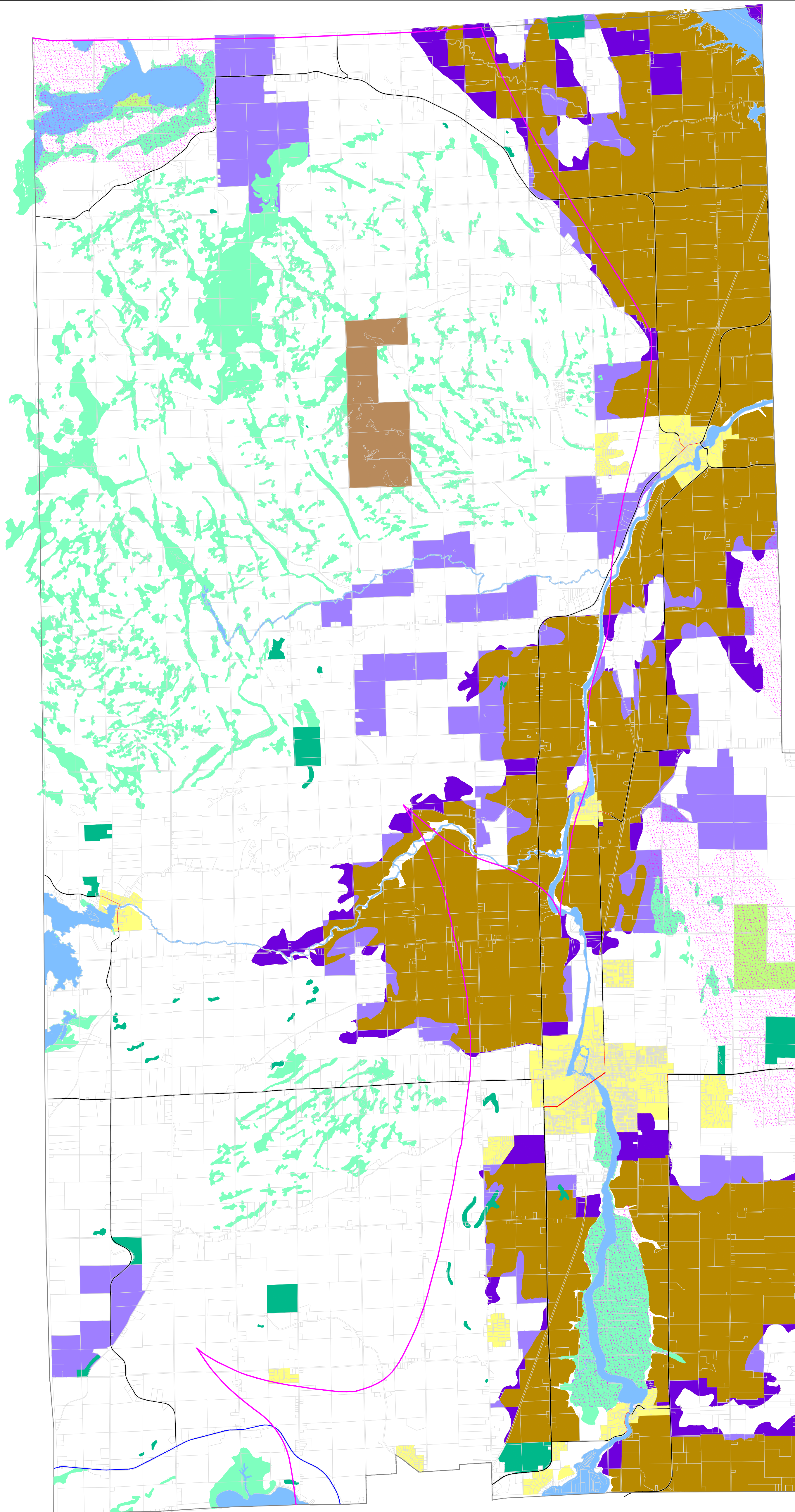
The adoption of OPA No. 29 is hereby approved subject to the following modifications:

1. **Section 1.4 – ORGANIZATION OF THE PLAN** is hereby modified by:

a. Adding the following sentences at the end of this Section:

“Notwithstanding any provision of this Plan to the contrary, a transition period to January 3, 2025 shall apply where applications for development which have been deemed complete shall be reviewed in accordance with the policies of the land use designations that existed on Schedule “A” Land Use Plan prior to the adoption of Amendment No. 29 to the Community Official Plan by Council on September 20, 2022.”

LANARK COUNTY



Lands to be redesignated from "Agricultural Lands" to "Rural Areas" ■
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LEGEND:
 County Boundary
 Municipal Boundary
 Rural Area
 Settlement Area
 Agricultural Land
 Licensed Aggregate Extraction Operation
 Provincially Significant Wetland
 ANSI, Life Science
 ANSI, Earth Science
 Significant Woodland
 Canadian Shield
 Provincial Park and Conservation Reserve



Schedule "A" to Amendment No. 12 to the Sustainable Communities Official Plan

Date: December 2023

Note: The base information on this plan was prepared from a variety of map sources and was used by permission of the County of Lanark. It is not a legal plan of survey. For precise location of plan features recourse should be had to the original source data.

Transportation:
 Provincial Highway
 Arterial Rural
 Collector Rural
 Arterial Urban
 Collector Urban
 Local

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