

**APPENDIX IV
NORTH WEST BRAMPTON SHALE RESOURCES POLICY REVIEW REGIONAL OFFICIAL
PLAN AMENDMENT – RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ADOPTION (ROPA - 32)**

**RECORD OF PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS, COMMENTS RECEIVED AND REGIONAL
RESPONSES**

The following provides a record of the public consultation undertaken by the Region, the comments received and the regional staff responses.

Comments Received from Agencies and the Public

Throughout the process, staff consulted with Provincial staff, local and adjacent municipalities and members of the public who had an interest in the North West Brampton Shale Resources Policy Review. Consultation included residents, representatives from the Shale Brick Industry, members of the development community, particularly the North West Brampton Landowners Group, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, Ministry of Municipal Affairs, the City of Brampton, City of Mississauga and Town of Caledon. Staff held meetings and telephone discussions to give presentations, exchange information and provide project updates related to the background study and recommended Amendment.

A public meeting was held on March 28, 2019, 9:00 am, at the Regional Administrative Headquarters. Notice of the public meeting was provided in accordance with Section 17(17) of the *Planning Act*. On February 21, 2019 notice was posted in the four local newspapers that have circulation in Peel Region. These papers include the Mississauga News, Brampton Guardian, Caledon Enterprise, and Caledon Citizen. Additionally, notice was posted on the Region of Peel's website and provided by mail to the stakeholders prescribed under section 17(15)(b) of the *Planning Act*. Notice of the public meeting was also provided by mail to landowners in North West Brampton who earlier in the process identified themselves as wanting to remain informed throughout the Regional Official Plan review following staff's presentation to the North West Brampton Landowners Group Inc. meeting in 2017.

Regional staff gave a presentation at the public meeting outlining the project objective, background studies and proposed amendment. One member of the public also gave a presentation to provide council with recommendations for proposed mapping amendments. The minutes from the public meeting are attached as Appendix III.

The Region received twelve written submissions through the public consultation process. A detailed summary of the public consultation undertaken by the Region, comments received and regional staff responses is provided in Appendix IV. Appendix V is a copy of all the submissions received. None of the public submissions expressed opposition to the proposed removal of shale protection within the North West Brampton Urban Development Area.

Provincial Comments

Provincial staff from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and the Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines have been engaged throughout the review process. The Province was involved in scoping the background study terms of reference and provided initial input that was considered in the background study findings. Provincial staff has indicated an interest in retaining some form of shale resources protection. Provincial comments are provided through the one-window review process, however, no formal response or comment on the Amendment has been provided at the time of writing this report.

Municipal Comments and Agency Comments

The proposed amendment was circulated to the Cities of Mississauga and Brampton, the Town of Caledon, neighbouring municipalities, First Nations Communities and other agencies.

The City of Brampton has indicated that it is supportive of the Regional Official Plan Amendment as drafted.

Comments from neighbouring municipalities and First Nations Communities indicated no objections to the proposed amendment.

Public Comments

The comments from the public supported the removal of the shale resources protection policies and did not state objections to the proposed amendment. Public comments included:

1. A concern that the policies would continue to permit shale resources extraction without the need for a local Official Plan Amendment.
2. A comment on the policy requiring that land use compatibility be addressed if development is proposed adjacent to the High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resources Area (HPMARA) in the Greenbelt not be interpreted to impose land use restrictions on privately owned lands adjacent to the HPMARA designation that would preclude or hinder the highest and best use of those adjacent lands.
3. A minor wording amendment for clarification and readability purposes.
4. A recommendation to not identify High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas on existing residential and institutional properties.
5. A request that the mapping of High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas on Schedule C in the Greenbelt not exclude any natural features.

In response to the stakeholder comments received, Regional staff amended the recommended mapping that identifies High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Areas and inserted a minor wording change to clarify policy 5.3.4.2.2 f) ii).

Table of Comments Received to Date and Responses

Comment Received By	#	Summary of Comments	Region's Response/Action
City of Brampton (Letter dated June 18, 2019, from Yuri Mantsvetov, Policy Planner)	1	City of Brampton staff comments supporting the recommended Regional Official Plan Amendment, as drafted, were brought to the City of Brampton Planning and Development Committee for endorsement.	Comments are noted. No revisions are required.
Halton Region (Email dated April 16, 2019 from Elizabeth Cunningham, Planner)	2	Halton Staff communicated the importance of the continued incorporation of corridor protection policies as per the Halton Peel Boundary Area Transportation Study (HPBATS) MOU dated April 4, 2012 as well as the importance of continued consideration for the Northwest GTA Corridor Identification Study and any other study conducted by the Province for this area.	Comments are noted. No revisions are required. While the Region of Peel's North West Brampton Policy Area Shale Resources ROPA proposes to remove shale protection policies within the North West Brampton Urban Development Area, this action does not impact the Regional Official Plan policies intended to protect for the North-South Corridor Study Area and GTA West Corridor. Therefore, the intent of the HPBATS MOU is maintained.
Town of Halton Hills (Letter dated April 16, 2019, from Ruth Conard, Planner Development Review)	3	Town staff acknowledge the proposed policy amendment.	Comments are noted. No revisions are required.
Township of King (Email dated March 11, 2019, from Stephen Naylor, Director of Planning and Development)	4	Planning staff have no objections to the proposed Shale Resources Policies Regional Official Plan Amendment.	Comments are noted. No revisions are required.
Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte (Letter dated April 16, 2019 from Chief R. Donald Maracle)	5	The Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte have requested that the amendment will be carried out in an environmentally sensitive manner.	Comments are noted. No revisions are required.
CN Rail (Email dated	6	CN Rail staff did not have any comments on the	Comments are noted. No revisions are required.

March 11, 2019, from Susanne Glenn-Rigny, Senior Officer)		proposed amendment.	
Brampton Brick Ltd. (Letter dated April 12, 2019 from Brad Cobbledick, Vice President of Technical Services)	7	Brampton Brick is in agreement with the High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resource Area (HPMARA) changes as outlined in Appendix I to the February 2019 report to Regional Council. Brampton Brick recommends the HPMARA mapping within the Greenbelt not exclude natural features.	Regional staff have considered the recommendation to revise the mapping of the High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resources Area to include natural features. The identification of HPMARA mapping in the Regional Official Plan is recommended with refinements to exclude areas, including natural heritage features, where aggregate resource extraction is prohibited in the Regional Official Plan. Section 3.3 of the Regional Official Plan clarified that the HPMARA shown in the Regional Official Plan includes the primary and secondary sand and gravel resource areas and bedrock resources located in the Region that are not constrained by noted factors. The recommended mapping of HPMARA is consistent with provincial policy direction. Therefore, staff will continue to identify resource areas with the constraint factors removed.
Turkstra Mazza Associates, Scott Snider, (Letter via email on behalf of the Heritage Heights Landowners Group/Northwest Brampton Landowners Group Inc., dated March 22, 2019)	8	The Heritage Heights Landowners Group/Northwest Brampton Landowners Group supports the removal of the shale resources protection policies as proposed in the draft amendment. The Landowners Group raised concern, but is not opposed, with proposed policy 5.3.4.2.2(f)(vi). The Landowners group recognized that the policy reflects provisions in the Provincial Policy Statement 2014 but is concerned with how the policy will be interpreted to impose land use restrictions on landowners who are adjacent to the HPMARA.	Comments are noted. No revisions are required.
Glen Schnarr and	9	The Northwest Brampton Landowners Group	Regional staff have considered the

<p>Associates (Letter on behalf of the Northwest Brampton Landowners Group Inc., dated March 22, 2019 submitted with letter from Turkstra Mazza)</p>		<p>supports the removal of the shale resource protection policies from the Regional Official Plan as proposed in the Draft Amendment. The Landowners expressed concern with respect to the continued preservation of policies that permit shale resources extraction without the need for a local Official Plan Amendment. A minor modification to policy 5.4.3.2.2 f) ii) for clarification purposes was also proposed. It is recommended that the policy be amended to add the words “and located” in order to read as follows: “Shale resources shall be protected, in accordance with the policies of Section 3.3 within the area identified as HPMARA on Schedule C <u>and located</u> in the Provincial Greenbelt Plan Area”</p>	<p>recommendation and will amend the proposed policy 5.4.3.2.2 f) ii) to read: <i>ii) Shale resources shall be protected, in accordance with the policies of Section 3.3 within the area identified as HPMARA on Schedule C <u>and located</u> in the Provincial Greenbelt Plan Area;</i></p>
<p>Forest Hill Development (Eddie Lee, Vice President, Land Development and Construction, Forest Hill Homes, on behalf of Bramwest Development Corporation, Letter dated March 27, 2019)</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>Forest Hill Development expressed support for the submission from Turkstra Mazza Associates, on behalf of the Heritage Heights Landowners Group/Northwest Brampton Landowners Group Inc., regarding the North West Brampton Shale Resources Policy Review Draft Amendment.</p>	<p>Comments are noted. No revisions are required.</p>
<p>Bruce and Shirley Reed, (Email dated March 26, 2019).</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>Mr. and Ms. Reed expressed support for the submission from Turkstra Mazza Associates, on behalf of the Heritage Heights Landowners Group/Northwest Brampton Landowners Group Inc., regarding the North West Brampton Shale Resources Policy Review Draft Amendment.</p>	<p>Comments are noted. No revisions are required.</p>
<p>Janet Kuzniar (Oral Submission and Presentation given at the public meeting on March 28, 2019)</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>Ms. Kuzniar recommended that the Core Areas of the Greenland System, and existing residential and institutional properties should not have High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resources Area identification.</p>	<p>Regional staff have considered the request to not identify HPMARA on Core Areas of the Greenland System, and existing residential and institutional properties. Staff will follow the criteria set out in the Regional Official Plan and</p>

			further detailed in the Methodology for Identifying High Potential Mineral Aggregate Resources Areas in North West Brampton which is appended to the staff report recommending adoption of the Amendment.