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East Gwillimbury receives grant funding to support wastewater and storm water infrastructure projects

(Sharon, ON) July 4, 2017 – The Town received \$870,000 in grant funding from the federal and provincial government’s Clean Water Wastewater Fund (CWWF) to support key water infrastructure projects in East Gwillimbury. The CWWF grant funding will decrease the Town’s financial contribution from \$1.3 million to \$450,000 for two critical projects. The CWWF funding will support the assessment of the Town’s storm water system and the rehabilitation of the West Street Pumping Station.

“On behalf of Council, I am pleased to announce that the Town has received funding from the Clean Water Wastewater Fund. Both provincial and federal partnerships are essential in helping to move forward key infrastructure projects without a burden on local taxes,” said Mayor Virginia Hackson. “This is just one of the many successful partnerships and funding opportunities we hope to leverage to ensure future projects are managed in a fiscally responsible and sustainable manner.”

With the funding received, the Town will complete two necessary infrastructure projects:

The West Street sanitary pumping station will replace the existing pumping station which has reached end of service. The new station will continue to provide reliable service for the West Street area and introduce the added security of an on-site back-up system.

The Town will also undertake an assessment of its current storm water management system and develop operational guidelines to ensure the Town is compliant with the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority’s and Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change storm water management guidelines.

The grant received is a part of a federal government program, which was designed to accelerate short-term community investments to improve existing drinking water, wastewater and storm water infrastructure as well as the planning and design of upgrades to existing systems. A majority of the CWWF is provided through federal infrastructure funding, with up to 25 per cent of total funds received being cost-matched by the provincial government.

For more information about the CWWF grant, visit the province of Ontario’s [website](#).

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