

# Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for Sioux Lookout Wastewater Treatment Plant Notice of Study Completion



June 24, 2026

Public Notice

The Municipality of Sioux Lookout has completed a Schedule C Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) study for the proposed expansion of the existing Sioux Lookout Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP).

The Sioux Lookout WWTP is currently operating at 82% of the plant's rated capacity based on average flows over the past 4 years. A WWTP upgrade is required to accommodate projected growth in the area and to address current capacity limitations, including hydraulic limitations of the plant's outfall into Pelican Lake.

## The Process

The Class EA study has been completed in accordance with the requirements of a Schedule 'C' project of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000, last amended in 2024). Alternative design concepts for the WWTP expansion were identified and evaluated as part of the study. Measures to alleviate any adverse effects that may result from the construction of the proposed works have been recommended. The preferred alternative design concept is illustrated in Figure 1, which includes expansion of the WWTP's rated capacity using:

- Integrated fixed-film activated sludge (IFAS) retrofit of the existing liquid treatment system,
- New aerobic digesters to be installed on the existing WWTP site, and
- A new outfall.

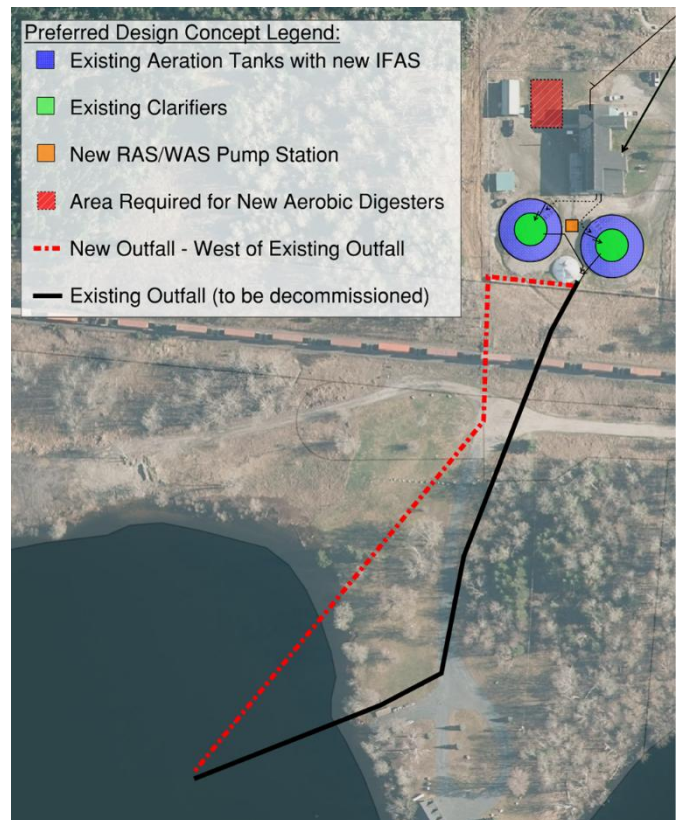


Figure 1: Preferred Alternative Design Concept

## Environmental Study Report

The Class EA Environmental Study Report (ESR), detailing the planning process, findings, and recommendations for the study will be available for public review for 30 calendar days from June 24, 2026 to July 24, 2026. The ESR and the Notice of Completion are available for public review on the Municipality's website at <https://www.siouxlookout.ca/>. During the 30-day review period, you are encouraged to contact the Municipality of Sioux Lookout, Keewatin-Aski Ltd, and/or CIMA+ if you have any questions or concerns about this project.

## Comments and Information

Interested persons may provide written comments to our project team by **July 24, 2026**. All comments and concerns should be sent directly to:

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In addition, a request may be made to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order requiring that the proponent of a project going through a Class EA process:

1. Submit an application for approval of the project before they proceed; or,
2. Meet further conditions in addition to the conditions in the Class EA.

The public may request the Minister to make a Section 16(6) Order if:

1. They have outstanding concerns that a project going through a Class EA process may have a potential adverse impact on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights; and,
2. They believe that an Order may prevent, mitigate, or remedy this impact.

If a member of the public wishes to request a Section 16 Order for a project, on the grounds that an Order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts on constitutionally protected, Aboriginal and treaty rights, this request must be made before the public comment period is complete.

Section 16 Order requests must be sent to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Director of Environmental Assessment Branch, and can be submitted by mail, email, fax, or hand delivered to:

## **Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks**

Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor  
Toronto ON M7A 2J3  
[minister.mecp@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mecp@ontario.ca)

and

## **Director, Environmental Assessment Branch**

Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks  
135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor  
Toronto ON, M4V 1P5  
[EABDirector@ontario.ca](mailto:EABDirector@ontario.ca)

Requests should include the requester's contact information and full name.

Requests should also be copied to the Municipality of Sioux Lookout by mail or by e-mail. Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under Section 16 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* at: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order>

Under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this matter and may be released, if requested, to any person.

If you require this information in an accessible format, please contact 807.737.2700.