



MANITOULIN PLANNING BOARD

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION PROPOSED AREA-WIDE NATURAL HERITAGE SYSTEM STRATEGY FOR THE DISTRICT OF MANITOULIN

In accordance with Section 17(23) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, this notice shall provide "Notice of Adoption" in respect of the proposed Official Plan Amendment (OPA), No. A-3, including a draft Natural Heritage System Strategy (NHSS) for the District of Manitoulin, adopted by the Manitoulin Planning Board on January 31st, 2023.

The Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) 2020 defines what a Natural Heritage System is. Under the 2020 PPS, Natural Heritage Systems must be identified in Ecoregions 6E and 7E. The Manitoulin Planning Area is located within region 6E.

The Official Plan for the District of Manitoulin is a legal document that contains the goals, objectives and policies to manage and direct land-use changes and their effects on the cultural, social, economic and natural environment within the planning area. The current Official Plan, as amended, was approved by the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) on October 29th, 2018.

The Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH), by Modification No. 21 to the Official Plan requires that:

' within three years after the approval of the Official Plan, the Manitoulin Planning Board shall prepare an Area-Wide Natural Heritage System Strategy.'

A copy of the proposed OPA is available for review at all partner Municipalities and at the:

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The Official Plan Amendment, No. A-3, which includes draft text and draft mapping for a proposed Natural Heritage System Strategy (NHSS) will be provided to the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) for consideration of their approval.

Any person or public body is entitled to receive notice of the Ministry's decision if a written request to be notified of the decision is made directly to the Ministry at the following address:

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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