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To whom it may concern,

Re: Denison Road Upper Slope Stabilization Project – Notice of Cancellation of the Class Environmental Assessment

In 2019, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) initiated a *Class Environmental Assessment for Remedial and Flood Control Projects (amended 2013)* (Class EA) to assess upper valley slope instability and erosion risk to the residential properties between 48 and 66 Denison Road West, in the City of Toronto. TRCA initially identified these properties as candidates for geotechnical investigation based on a previous slope failure that occurred in 2005. In 2016, TRCA undertook major maintenance works to construct a replacement armourstone retaining wall along the toe of the valley slope below this site.

TRCA's geotechnical engineering consultant has completed their investigation and has found that no existing essential structures (e.g. dwellings) are at high risk of long-term slope instability. For the purposes of assessing slope instability in this study, the toe protection provided by the armourstone retaining wall built in 2016 along the base of the valley slope was considered.

Based on the results of the geotechnical report and its recommendations, and on account of the low risk to essential structures, TRCA will not be proceeding with the remainder of the Class EA process at this time. The Denison Road West site no longer ranks high enough in TRCA's erosion hazard monitoring priority rankings to receive financial assistance for remedial works under the Erosion Risk Management Program (ERMP).

There is no obligation for TRCA to complete remedial works on private lands under the ERMP. Remedial works are planned on a priority basis and in accordance with landowner support and to the limit of funding available each year. Valley and ravine properties in the City of Toronto are prioritized in accordance with the level of risk to essential structures such as dwellings, and action is taken to safeguard human life and property from the hazards of sudden or accelerated erosion and slope instability. As mentioned before, this site currently displays no significant risk to any of the dwellings or other essential structures on participating properties. However, TRCA will continue to monitor the site through both our internal programming and an external monitoring program to be developed by a qualified engineering firm. The results of this monitoring will help to inform future decisions regarding this site.

We thank all subject properties and other parties who expressed interest for their participation in the prior components of the Class EA process. Should you have any questions regarding the cancellation of the Class EA, please contact me by phone or email.



Regards,

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