



RAISIN REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY TRANSITION PLAN

Introduction

The passage of Regulation 687/21 “Transition Plans and Agreements for Programs and Services Under Section 21.1.2 of the Act” requires the development and implementation of Transition Plans by each Conservation Authority. The Transition Plans are to outline the process and timelines for the development of cost apportioning agreements with municipalities within their jurisdiction for non-mandated programs and services.

This Transition Plan applies to the following member municipalities in the jurisdiction of the Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA): City of Cornwall, Township of South Glengarry, Township of North Glengarry, Township of South Stormont, Township of North Stormont.

Phase I

Transition Plan

This Transition Plan will be completed by **December 31, 2021** and distributed to member municipalities and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP).

Prior to this distribution, the Raisin Region Conservation Authority Board of Directors will receive and approve the plan. The Transition Plan will be posted on RRCA’s website before December 31, 2021.

Inventory of Programs and Services

An inventory of program and services will be prepared and circulated to municipalities within their watershed jurisdiction by **February 28, 2022**.

The inventory of programs and services will be classified as either Category 1 Mandatory, Category 2 Non-Mandatory or Category 3 Other. These categories are identified in Section 21 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.



The inventory will include an estimate of the annual cost of the service, sources of funding and the percentage attributed to each funding source.

A record of the municipal distribution of the inventory will be forwarded to MECP. Any changes to the inventory after February 22, 2022, will be documented and forwarded to MECP.

Phase II

Municipal Agreements

All municipal agreements for non-mandated services will be in place by **January 1, 2024**.

RRCA will work with their municipal partners to develop agreements for non-mandated programs and services upon the circulation of the inventory in February 2022.

RRCA will consult with neighbouring Conservation Authorities to ensure coordination of programs and services will meet the needs of shared municipal partners.

Transition Plan Timeline

Item	Due Date
Develop Transition Plan	Dec 31, 2021
Obtain Board Approval of Transition Plan	Nov 18, 2021
Post Transition Plan to website	Dec 31, 2021
Develop Programs & Services Inventory	Feb 11, 2022
Obtain Board Approval of Programs & Services Inventory	Feb 17, 2022
Circulate Inventory to municipalities and MECP	Feb 28, 2022
Consultation with municipalities on cost apportioning agreements	Jun 30, 2023
Execute municipal agreements	Jan 1, 2024



RRCA will deliver quarterly progress reports to MECP as outlined below.

Quarterly Reporting to MECP	Due Date
Progress Report #1	Jul 1, 2022
Progress Report #2	Oct 1, 2022
Progress Report #3	Jan 1, 2023
Progress Report #4	Apr 1, 2023
Progress Report #5	Jul 1, 2023
Progress Report #6	Oct 1, 2023
Final Report	Jan 30, 2024

Due dates are based on the current regulations. Timelines may be influenced by the issuance of new related regulations.