

Grand River Conservation Authority

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To: Members of the Grand River Conservation Authority

Subject: Budget 2025 – Draft #1 – Municipal Apportionment

Recommendation:

THAT Report Number GM-10-24-88 – Budget 2025 – Draft #1 – Municipal Apportionment be received as information.

Summary:

The distribution of the proposed 2025 Municipal Apportionment to participating municipalities is attached, based on the first draft of the 2025 Budget.

Report:

Ontario Regulation 402/22: Budget and Apportionment, which came into effect July 1, 2023, details the Conservation Authority (CA) budget process and municipal apportionment.

Different apportionment methodologies are available depending on the category of expense. General operating expenses are to be apportioned using Modified Current Value Assessment (MCVA). General capital expenses may be apportioned using MCVA or by agreement. Category 1 operating and capital expenses may be apportioned using MCVA or by benefit-based apportionment agreements. Category 2 operating and capital costs are to be apportioned based on the methodology agreed to in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Where Category 3 operating and capital costs are apportioned to municipalities, that calculation may be determined by MCVA, MOU, or benefit-based apportionment agreement.

At the Grand River Conservation Authority, municipal apportionment is allocated to participating municipalities based on Modified Current Value Assessment (2024 assessment) information in the watershed, which the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) provided.

Using the 2024 assessment information provided, the resulting apportionment of the proposed 2025 Municipal Apportionment based on the first draft of the 2025 budget is attached. The operating expenses are categorized as General, Category 1, and Category 2.

Financial Implications:

The first draft of the 2025 Budget proposes a municipal apportionment amount of \$13,757,000, representing an increase of \$465,000, or 3.5%, over 2024. After allocating this amount in accordance with O.Reg. 402/22, individual municipalities will experience increases ranging from 1.6% to 7.5% compared to 2024.

Other Department Considerations:

Not Applicable

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