

# Peel budget calls for increases in policing, health, conservation funding

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**Conservation Authorities:** In addition to the original \$12 million budgeted for funding conservation authorities in Peel, council has directed \$2.5 million more to each of the Credit Valley Conservation (CVC) and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority for a number of initiatives:

- \* Preliminary global warming response, with enhanced funding for flooding and erosion control; water quality and quantity; and ecosystems.
- \* Real-time cameras to

monitor flood-prone Cooksville Creek in southern Mississauga.

\* 10,000 large stock trees planted by CVC with the help of Mississauga and Brampton high school students, on top of the 40,000 trees planted annually by the CVC.

In total, \$17 million in funding will go to conservation authority operations in Peel in 2007.

**Police services:**

\* 23 additional frontline officers to maintain existing services for a growing population base (19 Peel Regional Police; 4 Caledon

OPP officers).

\* 34 additional officers to deal with service demands in bike patrol; divisional traffic; investigative areas including fraud, special victims and central robbery; and a third homicide team.

**Regional services (directly controlled by the Region of Peel):**

\* 19,272 additional paramedic hours and a hospital medic program pilot to reduce the impact of hospital delays.

\* 8,000 additional TransHelp trips.

\* 542 more cases for Ontario Works for a total of 10,400 per month.

\* Introduction of the Organics Recycling program.

\* Management of waste tonnage growth of 2.4%.

\* A new Public Health program to deal with youth violence.

Tax-supported programs provided by the Region of Peel include: roads; waste

management; Ontario Works; TransHelp; children's services; Public Health; long-term care; regional planning; housing policy and programs; heritage programs, and paramedic and emergency services.

"This budget is a credit to regional councillors and outlines their commitment to serve Peel residents now and future generations," said chair Emil Kolb. "The Region is experiencing significant growth, and we will continue to press the

Province of Ontario to meet its responsibility to provide the necessary funding to help municipalities manage the cost of growth."

For more information on Peel's 2007 budget, visit [peelregion.ca/finance](http://peelregion.ca/finance).

## Husky Injection Molding Systems is now up for sale

By ALAN LICZYK  
Staff Reporter

One of Caledon's largest businesses is up for sale.

Husky Injection Molding Systems Ltd. in Bolton announced last week it may sell all or part of the company's shares. Husky is a global supplier of injection molding equipment and services to the plastics industry.

Dirk Schlimm, vice-president of corporate affairs, told the Citizen that Husky's founder Robert Schad is now 78 years old with no family members in the business so he wants to be involved in any decision affecting the company's future. Financial adviser Citigroup Global Markets has been hired by Husky to assist in the possible sale.

Schlimm explained the process only started Thursday. He said Husky's major manufacturing site is in Bolton with other manufacturing facilities in the United States, Luxembourg and China. It supports customers in more than 100 countries.

Husky was founded in 1953 and has 1,300 employees at its Bolton site.

Schlimm noted, however, that Husky recently eliminated 85 jobs in Bolton in an effort to become more efficient.

He added Husky's strategic priorities haven't changed.

"We will serve our customers and operate as usual," he said.

Schad and John Galt, president and chief executive officer, both made brief comments about the sale on the company's Web site.

"Over the past decade, we have made substantial investments to develop our leading technology platform, expand our markets and distribution network, improve our operations and build a strong management team," said Schad, Husky's largest shareholder. "While Husky's competitive position has become stronger as a result, we do not believe that this position is reflected in our current market valuation."

"Husky has reached an important part in its evolution," Galt said. "At this point it makes sense for us to consider Husky's future, and to do so on the

basis of a strong position in the market. I am therefore in full support of this initiative, as is Husky's board."

## Councillor wants to sing

At its March 20 meeting, Caledon council will vote on a motion by Councillor Doug Beffort that all council meetings begin with the singing and/or playing of O Canada.

O Canada was officially proclaimed as Canada's national anthem on July 1, 1980.

Currently, council meetings begin with a prayer only.

## Increase to help elderly

The credit amount that elderly residents can apply for against their property taxes imposed by the Town was increased by Caledon council recently.

The current amount of \$150 in assistance will go up \$50 a year to \$350 during the term of this council.

Councillor Allan Thompson, who proposed the motion, said this won't make for an increase in Caledon taxes.

"It's something we can do to give back and help them out," he said.

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**NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION**  
MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR A  
300 MM DIAMETER WATERMAIN ACROSS THE HUMBER RIVER AT HIGHWAY 50

The Regional Municipality of Peel has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) to construct a 300 mm diameter water main across the Humber River at Highway 50 in Palgrave. This work is being done as part of the Palgrave Water Supply system.

The Class EA has confirmed that the preferred method to construct a 300 mm diameter water main across the Humber River is by horizontal directional drilling or pipe ramming along the east side of the highway.

The Region has planned this project under Schedule 'B' of the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (2000). The Class EA report has been prepared to document the planning and decision making processes involved. By this Notice, the report is being placed on the public record for a 30-day review period in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class EA. Subject to comments received as a result of this Notice and receipt of necessary approvals, the Region intends to proceed with the construction of this project in the spring of 2007.

The Class EA report is available for review at the following locations starting **Wednesday, March 7, 2007**.

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| <p><b>Region of Peel</b><br/>Regional Clerk's Department<br/>10 Peel Centre Dr., 5th Fl.<br/>Brampton, ON L6T 4B9<br/>Mon-Fri: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.</p> | <p><b>Town of Caledon</b><br/>Town Clerk's Department<br/>6311 Old Church Rd.<br/>Caledon, ON L7C 1J6<br/>Mon-Fri: 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.</p> | <p><b>Albion-Bolton Branch Library</b><br/>Albion-Bolton Community Centre<br/>150 Queen St. S.<br/>Bolton, ON L7E 1E3<br/>Mon - Fri: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.<br/>Sat: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.<br/>Sun: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.</p> |
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Please provide written comments to Ms. Catherine Quan Fun, at the Region by **Thursday, April 5, 2007**. During this 30-day review period, if concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the Region, a person or party may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual environmental assessments. Requests must be received by the Minister at the address below by **Thursday, April 5, 2007**. A copy of this request must also be sent to Ms. Catherine Quan Fun at the Region. If no request is received by **Thursday, April 5, 2007**, the Region will proceed with the construction of this project as outlined in the Class EA report.

**The Honourable Laurel Broten**  
Minister of the Environment  
135 St. Clair Ave. W., 10<sup>th</sup> Fl.  
Toronto, ON M4V 1P5

Copies of Part II Order requests should also be sent to:

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| <p><b>Ms. Catherine Quan Fun, P. Eng.</b><br/>Project Manager<br/>Regional Municipality of Peel<br/>11 Indell Lane<br/>Brampton, ON L6T 3Y3<br/>Tel: 905-791-7800, ext. 7916<br/>Fax: 905-791-1442<br/><a href="mailto:catherine.quanfun@peelregion.ca">catherine.quanfun@peelregion.ca</a></p> | <p><b>Mr. Ken Wallace, P. Eng.</b><br/>Project Engineer<br/>R.V. Anderson Associates Limited<br/>400-2001 Sheppard Ave. E.<br/>Toronto, ON M2J 4Z8<br/>Tel: 416-497-8600, ext. 336<br/>Fax: 416-497-0342<br/><a href="mailto:kwallace@rvanderson.com">kwallace@rvanderson.com</a></p> |
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