



Town of
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Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Attn: Monika Turner, Director of Policy
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Dear Ms. Turner:

For your information and records, at its regular meeting held Monday, November 21, 2011, the Municipal Council of the Town of East Gwillimbury adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS municipalities are faced with requests from Commercial Fill Operators to place fill in, for example, either previously undisturbed areas or expired gravel extraction pits;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have limited resources and ability to regulate this type of operation other than through zoning restrictions and agreements associated predominantly with operational protocol;

AND WHEREAS the issue of soil quality of fill imported to a receiving site potentially has a significant cross jurisdictional environmental impact that should be elevated to the Provincial level through the Ministry of the Environment;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of the Environment has established criteria for quality of fill for Brownfield redevelopment but not for the importation and placement of fill within, as an example, undisturbed areas or expired gravel extraction pits;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Province, through the Ministry of the Environment, establish guidelines, regulations and a Provincially regulated approval process to govern the quality of fill imported to a receiving site other than for the purpose of Brownfield redevelopment;

AND FURTHER, THAT the Clerk forward copies of this resolution to York-Simcoe MPP, Julia Munroe, the Ministry of the Environment, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities for their consideration.

If you have any further questions feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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