

# PORT DARLINGTON 2018 UPDATED SHORELINE STUDY– Public Information Centre Newsletter & Frequently Asked Questions

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Together with CLOCA & The Municipality of Clarington<sup>1</sup>*

## Background

- Reports of flooding and erosion damage have been occurring along the Lake Ontario shoreline.
- Flooding and erosion along the Lake Ontario shoreline has been top of mind for residents, who have alerted the Municipality of Clarington and the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority.
- Shoreline flooding and erosion risks are associated with the physical location of people and their property in relation to natural hazards.
- The Cedar Crest Beach area residents have petitioned the Municipality of Clarington to coordinate a unified plan for erosion mitigation on private lands in the Cedar Beach area.
- A number of studies have been completed including:
  - Lake Ontario Shoreline Management Plan, 1990
  - Newcastle Waterfront: Preliminary Coastal Engineering Assessment, 2003.
  - Policy & Procedural Manual Developed by CLOCA, 2013.
  - Port Darlington Shoreline Study, 2004

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### **First Public Information Meeting & Listening Session Scheduled for March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018!**

The first community meeting is being held on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. No decisions have been made and the purpose of this meeting is to:

1. Introduce the 2018 Shoreline Study and the Consulting Team.
2. Share some background information with you about the Shoreline Study, the process, timing and deliverables.
3. Allow you to share your concerns (flooding, shoreline erosion, other).
4. Allow you an opportunity to ask questions about the Shoreline Study.
5. Provide you with an opportunity to share your ideas and solutions to address the shoreline issues.

<sup>1</sup> "Information and submissions provided to the study team by members of the public will be subject to the provisions of the

*Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.*"



## **Frequency Asked Questions**

**1. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE?**

This Public Information Centre is being held to provide you with an early opportunity to share your concerns and your suggestions for the 2018 Shoreline Study.

**2. HOW WILL THE CURRENT STUDY BE DIFFERENT FROM THE 2004 SHORELINE STUDY?**

The original Draft Port Darlington Shoreline and Flood Damage Centre (Aqua Solutions 2004) study began to identify the hazardous areas (flooding, erosion, and dynamic beach) for the Port Darlington study area in order to precisely define and understand the natural hazards in the area in relation to existing and proposed development. The 2018 study will build upon and complete the 2004 draft study, informed by the recent historic water levels, climate change, and sediment transport. The study will also explore and evaluate shoreline management options including feasibility and consistency with provincial natural hazard management policy direction.

**3. WHERE IS THE STUDY AREA?**

The study area includes the Port Darlington shoreline community including Watson Drive, Cedar Crest Beach Road, Cove Road, and West Beach Road.

**4. HOW DOES THIS SHORELINE STUDY RELATE TO THESE OTHER EFFORTS THAT ARE ONGOING?**

There are other efforts that are on-going including:

- Emergency response preparedness planning to ensure a coordinated effort in the event of another flood event.
- Communication with provincial and federal agencies to investigate possible assistance.

**5. WHAT OPPORTUNITY WILL THERE BE FOR RESIDENTS TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE SHORELINE STUDY?**

There are many opportunities for residents and interested parties to become involved in the 2018 Shoreline Study. There is an online survey in the event that you would like to share your individual comments. There is a Public Information Meeting & Listening Session scheduled for March 3<sup>rd</sup> and there will be an additional Public Meeting & Listening Session in the Fall of 2018. We will be issuing Newsletters to keep you informed as the Study progresses and, in addition, we invite you to contact us directly if you have questions, comments or concerns.

**6. HAS THE STUDY BEEN COMPLETED?**

No. The study has only just started. Aqua Solutions together with Baird Engineering will be looking at the issues and identifying a number of possible alternatives to manage the hazards. Once this information has been gathered, it will be shared with the public.

## **The Issues Facing the Shoreline**

**What Are Your Thoughts? What Have You Seen? What Are You Experiencing?**

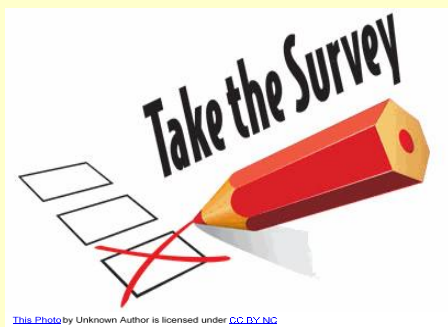
**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

1. Have you experienced flooding along the shoreline? If so, where?
2. Are you aware of others who have experienced flooding along the shoreline? If so, where?
3. Have you experienced erosion along the shoreline? If so, where?
4. Are you aware of others who have experienced erosion along the shoreline? If so, where?
5. Have you experienced other shoreline-related issues?
6. Are you aware of others who are experiencing shoreline-related issues and concerns?
7. What solution will best address shoreline erosion?
8. Are there recommendations that you believe should be included in the 2018 Shoreline Study?
9. Is there specific action that you believe needs to be taken? If so, when and who in your view should be responsible?

Your comments are important to us. Please take the time to share your thoughts, comments and concerns with us.

**Please provide your comments by completing the electronic survey...the survey weblink follows:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6KYKRNK>



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## **Keeping You Informed...**

We are committed to working with you and to keeping you informed as this study moves forward. Comments are welcome at any point throughout the Shoreline Study process.

A second PIC will be held in the fall of 2018 after the consultant team has developed possible alternative actions for managing the hazards faced by Port Darlington residents.

## **On-Line Presentation Material Available**

You are invited to view and explore the Storyboard Presentation materials on-line at your convenience using the following URL link:

<https://goo.gl/Y4WzSc>

Please note that the Google Chrome web browser is required in order for the presentation to be viewed on your device.

## **Looking For More Information? Still Have Questions? We Invite You to Contact Us...**

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**We Look Forward to Working With You!**