

## Appendix H

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Environmental Registry of Ontario  
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
777 Bay Street, 2nd Floor  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

### **Subject: Submission Regarding ERO 026-0313 – Streamlining the Information and Material that Planning Authorities Can Require as Part of a Complete Application**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the City of Brampton, thank you for the opportunity to comment on ERO 026-0313.

The City of Brampton supports the Province's objective of improving certainty, consistency, and predictability within the planning approvals process. Clearer expectations regarding complete application requirements can assist applicants in preparing submissions and may help reduce avoidable delays.

The City recognizes that the proposed provincial list includes many commonly required technical studies and may provide a useful baseline framework across municipalities.

However, Brampton has concern that a closed provincial list may not fully account for local site conditions, municipal contexts, or emerging technical issues that arise through application review. Municipalities must retain sufficient flexibility to ensure planning applications can be properly assessed based on the characteristics of a particular site.

In particular, the City requests clarity regarding the continued ability to require locally relevant environmental and technical studies where warranted, including matters such as woodland management, wetland impacts, restoration opportunities, and other site-specific environmental conditions not always captured through standard study titles alone.

The City also recommends that municipalities retain authority to establish terms of reference and scope expectations for studies so submitted materials are proportionate, complete, and useful for decision-making.

While Brampton supports greater consistency in complete application requirements, reforms should balance efficiency with the practical need for municipalities to undertake responsible and context-sensitive review.

## Recommendation to the Province

That the Province:

1. **Use the proposed study list as a baseline framework**, while permitting municipal flexibility where justified by local site conditions.
2. **Clarify the ability of municipalities to require locally relevant environmental studies or equivalent materials** where necessary to assess woodland, wetland, restoration, or other site-specific impacts.
3. **Permit municipalities to establish terms of reference and scope requirements** to ensure studies are complete and decision-useful.
4. **Allow supplementary information where warranted** by unique circumstances or incomplete submissions.
5. **Continue consultation with municipalities** to ensure the framework remains practical and effective over time.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input.

Sincerely,

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Position

City of Brampton