



**Department of Municipal Affairs**

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Kim Ramsay CPA, CMA  
CAO & Municipal Clerk  
Municipality of East Hants  
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Elmsdale, NS B2S 3K5

Dear Kim Ramsay:

**Re: Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to change the designation and the zone from Agriculture Reserve to Rural Use for PID 45189206**

**Approved by Council of the Municipality of East Hants on March 26, 2025**

**MATTER REFERRED TO MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

Pursuant to Section 208 of the *Municipal Government Act* (Act), I have completed the mandatory review of the above-noted documents and have determined that they may fall within at least one of the categories requiring approval listed in Subsection 208(3); therefore, the documents are subject to approval by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Specifically, there are concerns regarding the policy being inconsistent with the Statement of Provincial Interest Regarding Agricultural Land.

If no decision is made by the Minister within 60 days of the date of this letter, the documents are deemed to be approved on the 61st day, and the notice requirements of Section 208(7) of the Act shall apply.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact either Dawn Sutherland, Senior Planner who conducted the review ([dawn.sutherland@novascotia.ca](mailto:dawn.sutherland@novascotia.ca) / 902-424-2394) or me.

Kind regards,

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