



Date: November 26, 2025
To: Municipal Council
cc: Kim Ramsay, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Councillor Michael Perry, Infrastructure & Operations Committee Chairperson
RE: Infrastructure & Operations Committee Report

The Committee held its regular meeting on November 18, 2025, and the following motions are coming forward as a result of those meetings:

1. SHUBENACADIE WATER TREATMENT PLANT PW2024 GUDI STEP 2 STUDY

The Director of Infrastructure & Operations presented a report advising that the province is requiring a GUDI Step 2 Study before a new well at the Plant can be approved for operation. The study will take a full year and is estimated to cost \$25,000 and staff recommended this be funded through the Housing Accelerator Fund.

The Infrastructure & Operations Committee recommend that ***Council approve \$25,000 before tax for the completion of the GUDI Step 2 Study of the new well at the Shubenacadie Water Treatment Plant, to be funded from the Housing Accelerator Fund.***

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

2. EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY (EPR) UPDATE

Staff presented a presentation of the Extended Producer Responsibility (ERP) Update. The presentation outlined change to East Hants' recycling program as the province transitions to a new province-wide system managed by Circular Materials. The new system launches on December 1. The Municipality will continue providing curbside collection on behalf of Circular Materials and will update bylaws and policies to reflect the new system, ensuring clearer rules and modernized operational standards.

No motions came forward.

3. ORGANICS PROCESSING CONTRACT

Staff presented a report to advise that the municipality is in its final year of the 3-year contract with GFL Environmental, ending March 31, 2026. GFL has offered a 1-year contract extension.

The Infrastructure & Operations Committee recommends to Council ***that Council direct the CAO to approve a 1-year contract extension with GFL Environmental for organics processing, at a rate of \$100/tonne effective April 1, 2026.***

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

This concludes the report.