

Acton Quarry Extension Application  
45 Day - Aggregate Resources Act Notification Period

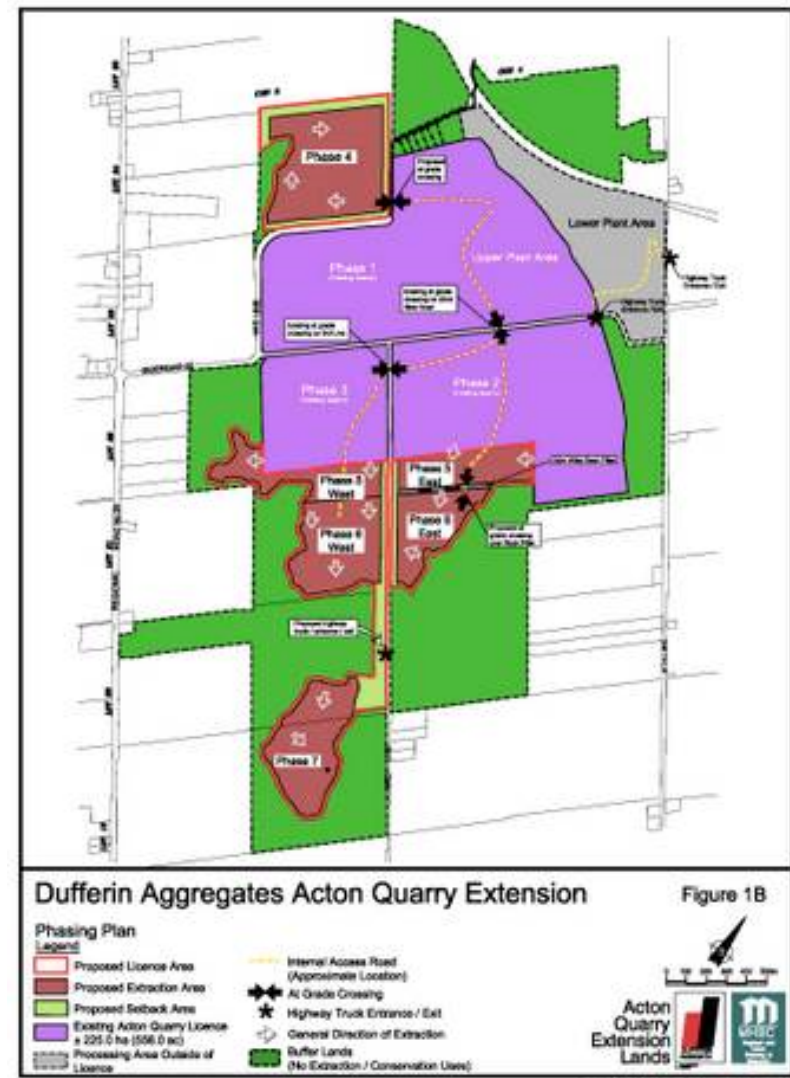
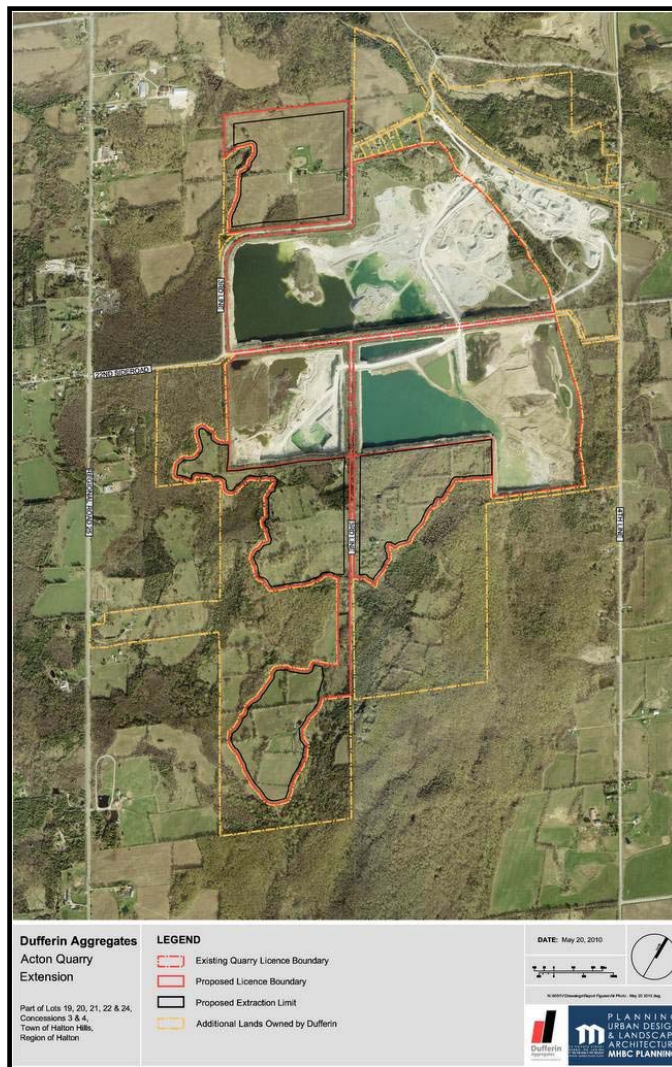
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The application extends the existing Acton Quarry by approximately 300 ha; 1/3 is proposed for extraction, 2/3 will be protected for ecological conservation uses. The proposal will provide +/- 71 Mt of infrastructure-quality stone for use in the GTA.

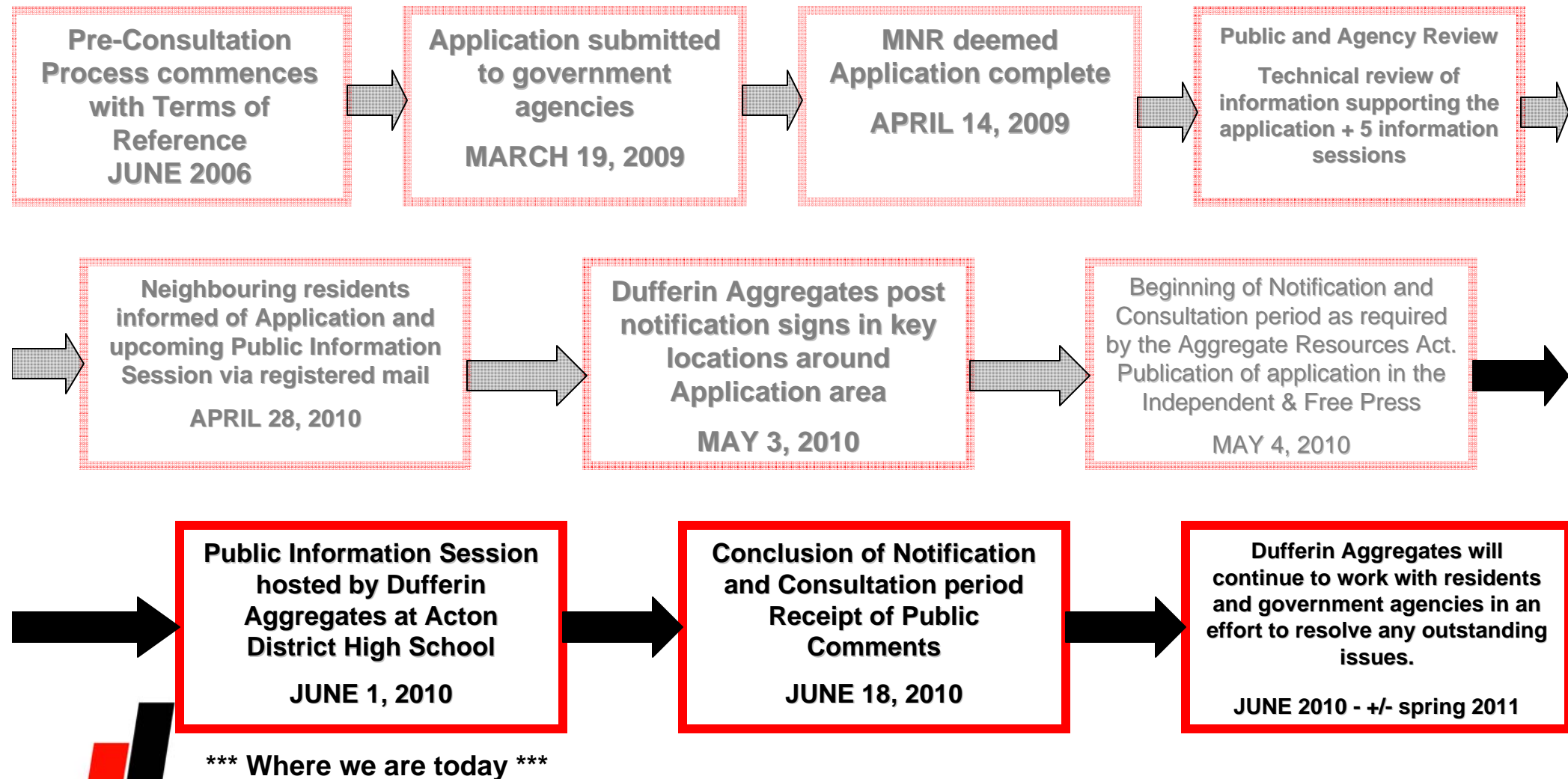


24+ months of pre-consultation with JART and community plus 15 months of formal process since the application was made on March 19, 2009. The time has come to start addressing specific issues.

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- The application package was deemed complete by all agencies in April 2009
- The Joint Agency Review Team (JART) process continues
- Clarification of technical information with JART Peer Review consultant and agencies:
  - Some supplementary field work and data analysis requested and provided (on-going)
  - Discussion/resolution of issues - pending
  - JART issues report - pending
- The originally scheduled timeline for JART review and final report was 24 months from submission:
  - The ARA 45 day notification and consultation period was always scheduled to commence 1 year after submission
  - Intended to allow all agencies and the public with enough time to review the application and supporting documents prior to commenting via the required ARA process

Several key regulated processes must occur during a timeline of a Aggregate Resources application, in order to meet legal requirements. The goal is to ensure that all comments are recorded and addressed prior to an ARA licensed being issued.



**This is just the next step in the process. No approval/refusal of the application is requested during this 45 ARA consultation stage. Dufferin will work to address comments before a license/permits is issued.**

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- Dufferin Aggregates initiated the formal public and agency notification process for our Acton Quarry extension application in accordance with the Aggregate Resources Act (ARA).
- Day 1 of the Notification and Consultation Process was on **May 4, 2010**. **June 18, 2010** will be day 45.
- Mandatory Public Information Session in accordance with the Act is **June 1, 2010**.
- Comments received from both public and agencies will be documented. Dufferin will systematically review each comment and work to address the comment with the appropriate individual/agency. This process could last 8 to 12 months.
- Once Dufferin, MNR and the required approval agencies have completed the technical review process, the submitted applications (license, OPA, ZBLA, NEDP etc.) will move forward for formal decision making.

Assuming that the underlying science behind this extension application is upheld, approval of the proposal will result in:

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- Dedication of 600 ha of land to the public for long term conservation, natural space linkage, recreation, and water management uses.
- An opportunity to enhance the regional greenlands system, Niagara Escarpment parks and open space system, and local conservation space.
- Protection, enhancement and study of ecological features with important ecosystem functions.
- A saving of more than 313,000 tonnes of additional greenhouse emissions from the transportation of aggregate to job sites, assuming the next closest quarry is located 50 km further away.

JART has been meeting regularly to review the application.

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Nancy Mott-Allen is the Chair of JART

She would like to make a few comments.

Please provide your comments in writing before June 18<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to indicate how we can contact you.

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- Written comments must be received by Dufferin and MNR by June 18, 2010. See the published Form 1 for details.
- Comment forms, including addressed envelopes are available at the registration desk.
- Flip charts and staff are available at each information board.
- We'll be in touch to discuss your comments.
- Additional public meetings will be held as the process moves towards decision making, likely 8 to 12 months from now. Watch the paper and website for details.

Thank you for your continued interest in this project.







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