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November 21, 2024

Dear Municipal Partner:

Adelaide Metcalfe

RE: Capital Asset Management Plan

Bluewater

Central Huron

Huron East

Lambton Shores

Lucan Biddulph

Middlesex Centre

North Middlesex

Perth South

South Huron

Warwick

West Perth

The development of a Capital Asset Management Plan (CAMP) is an essential part of Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority's (ABCA) ongoing fiscal responsibility, and as of December 31, 2024, is a requirement of the *Conservation Authorities Act*. It guides the purchase, use, maintenance, and disposal of every asset ABCA needs in order to conduct business. These Assets include Land, Buildings, Erosion and Flood Control Structures, Vehicles and Equipment and others as identified. The CAMP will support ABCA's budgeting, planning, and forecasting processes, all of which will bring benefits to the budget process, improving collaboration between user groups, and enhancing data quality and reliability.

Please find the ABCA Capital Asset Management Plan attached, which was approved by the ABCA Board of Directors on June 20, 2024. Further to this, an endorsement in principle was made recommending a dedicated capital levy increasing by \$20,050 annually over a 10-year phase-in period, beginning in 2025.

The overall current replacement value of ABCA assets is approximately \$27,772,500. The average annual capital requirement is approximately \$200,500 or 0.72% of the combined assets. This would require an average annual levy of 1.39% based on current levy amounts. The Capital Levy of 1.39% has been included in the proposed 2025 ABCA Budget, which has been circulated previously.

If you have further questions regarding the CAMP, please reach out to me or Brian Horner, Financial Services Supervisor.

Sincerely,
AUSABLE BAYFIELD CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



Davin Heinbuck
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

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Encl.