## PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

# FOR PLAN REVIEW AND TECHNICAL CLEARANCE

#### BETWEEN

THE TOWN OF CALEDON

**AND** 

CREDIT VALLEY CONSERVATION

# METROPOLITAN TORONTO AND REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

(The Conservation Authorities)

August, 1997

## 1. THE PURPOSE of this agreement is to:

- a) provide for Conservation Authorities plan review and technical clearance expertise assist the Town of Caledon to make decisions on planning applications in the absence of review and comment from Provincial Ministries; and,
- b) streamline the municipal planning system where opportunities exist.

#### 2. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Town of Caledon, and the Conservation Authorities agree that:

- a) the Town of Caledon is responsible for having regard for Provincial interests with respect to any planning applications for which they have approval authority or otherwise comment on;
- b) any information or data sources provided by the Province or generated through municipal or watershed studies will be shared;
- c) the Conservation Authorities will provide the Town of Caledon with plan review and technical clearance services, as set out on Schedule 1 attached, in accordance with the Provincial Policy Statements by fulfilling the functions described below:
  - define features/functions, and establish requirements and conditions, to determine the need for and adequacy of studies (including environmental impact studies) which assess impacts and propose mitigation measures related to:

significant wetlands
significant wildlife habitat
habitats of threatened and endangered species
fish habitat
significant areas of natural and scientific interest
significant woodlands
significant valley lands
flood and erosion dynamic beach hazards
flood and erosion watercourse and valley land hazards

groundwater recharge areas groundwater quantity and quality surface water quantity and quality

- (ii) identify the need for a groundwater and surface water taking permit;
- (iii) identify the need for an application to be processed under the Federal Fisheries Act, the Lake and Rivers Improvement Act or any other applicable legislation;
- (iv) assist in the technical aspects of applying alternative development standards as a best management practice for stormwater management purposes;
- d) the lead agency for each of items described in 2(c) above is shown on Schedule 2 attached;
- e) notwithstanding the purpose of this agreement it is recognized that:
  - (i) the Conservation Authorities will review and provide comments and advice in the context of the policies and land use designations of approved official plans and other guiding municipal documents;
  - effective watershed management and environmental protection also requires the appropriate consideration of regional and local natural resources as identified through official and secondary plans, municipal studies, watershed and subwatershed studies, or a site specific proposal;
  - (iii) the Conservation Authorities will continue to provide comments and recommendations as outlined in 2(c)(i), on planning matters circulated by the Town of Caledon such as official plans and policy amendments, and municipal studies; and
  - (iv) nothing precludes the Conservation Authorities from commenting to the Town of Caledon as they would normally exercise their rights under the Planning Act, the Conservation Authorities Act, or other applicable legislation.

#### 3. IMPLEMENTATION

The Town of Caledon, and the Conservation Authorities agree:

- a) to review and amend this agreement on a periodic basis to reflect changes in programs of the parties or as a result of changes in provincial policies or as a result of subsequent discussions;
- b) to explore further opportunities to streamline the plan review system as it relates to Provincial and regional/local interests;
- to make provisions for Conservation Authorities staff to attend Ontario Municipal Board Hearings, upon the request of the Town of Caledon staff with respect to the plan review and technical clearance services provided pursuant to this agreement, at no extra cost to the Town of Caledon. Notwithstanding this clause, this in no way limits the Conservation Authorities from independently appealing a decision to the Ontario Municipal Board;
- d) that fees for plan review and technical clearance services will be set by the Conservation Authorities, and the Town of Caledon agrees to collect Preliminary Analysis Fee and remit any fees collected in a timely manner to the Conservation Authorities;
- e) that the Conservation Authorities will be responsible for collecting any further Processing/Approvals/and/or Final Clearance Fees as required; and
- f) that the Conservation Authorities will provide the Town of Caledon with an approved Schedule of fees and any approved revised schedules as they occur.

TOWN OF CALEDON Marjoria Morden/Clerk Carol Seglins Mayor CREDIT VALLEY CONSERVATION Vicki Barron General Manager METRO TORONTO & REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY Craig Mather Chief Administrative Officer

## SCHEDULE - 1

- 1. "Plan Review" is defined as:
  - i) reviewing development applications in a timely manner recognizing the Planning Act objectives:
  - ii) identifying the need for technical reports; and,
  - iii) specifying conditions of approval.
- 2. "Technical Clearance" is defined as:
  - i) assessing technical reports submitted by the proponent to determine if the reports satisfy the conditions specified; and
  - ii) clearing the conditions.

# SCHEDULE - 2

# LEAD AGENCIES BY PROVINCIAL INTEREST

*	Wetlands	CA		
*	Wildlife Habitat	CA		
*	Endangered & Threatened Species	CA		
*	Fish Habitat	CA		
*	Areas of Natural and Scientific	CA		
	Interest	CA		
*	Woodlands	CA/AM		
*	Valleylands	CA		
*	Flood, Erosion, Valley Land	CIL		
	Hazard CA			
*	Flood and Erosion Dynamic			
	Beach Hazard	CA		
*	Groundwater Recharge/Discharge	CA		
*	Ground Water Quality and Quantity	R (for water supply)		
		CA	(for	water
		011	resources)	water
			resources	
*	Permits to Take Water	CA/MOEE		
*	Surface Water Quality and		•	
	Quantity	AM/CA		

R =	Region of Peel
AM =	Area Municipality
CA =	Conservation Authorities
MOEE =	Ministry of Environment and Energy

### THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF CALEDON.

#### BY-LAW 97-127

Being a by-law to authorize the Mayor & Clerk to enter into an agreement with the the Conservation Authorities re: Plan Review & Technical Clearance.

WHEREAS The Credit Valley Conservation and the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Convervation Authority will provide for plan review and technical clearance expertise to assist the Town of Caledon to make decisions on planing applications in the absence of review and comment from Provincial Ministries and to streamline the municipal planning system where opportunities exists;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Conservation Authorities for the implementation of review and technical clearance.

**READ THREE TIMES AND FINALLY PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL** this 15TH day of December, 1997.

Clerk