



Bill 229

Inventory of Programs and Services and Categories of Programs and Services Agreement Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc

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Inventory of Programs and Services

- ▶ Required to be reported to the minister, member municipalities and made public by Feb. 28, 2022 – **Completed – sent to municipalities**
- ▶ The Inventory is a “living” document and changes can be made as the province provides more information and consultation of document with municipalities is completed
- ▶ Staff have prepared the most up-to-date document possible, however details will change as the province continues to provide guidance

Categorizing all Programs and Services

- ▶ Category 1: Mandatory programs and services where municipal levy could be used without any agreement
- ▶ Category 2: Non-mandatory programs and services at the request of a municipality with **municipal funding through an agreement**
- ▶ Category 3: This category includes other non-mandatory programs and services the CA determines are advisable. These may use **municipal levy through an agreement**

Providing Current and Ongoing Costs for Categorized Programs and Services of the LTVCA

- ▶ Changes to the budget have been occurring as the LTVCA responds to the strategic plan
- ▶ Significant changes have occurred to the LTVCA budget in response to COVID-19
- ▶ Many elements of these changes will continue into future budgets
- ▶ Significantly more funding through self generated revenue has occurred over the last 3 years

Example of Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority

Inventory of Programs and Services, Draft: Feb 16, 2022

LTVCA Code(s)	Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Category Rationale	Average Annual Costs	Funding mechanism and percentage of costs
Natural Hazard Management Program Program Description: Conservation Authorities are the lead provincial agencies on Natural Hazard issues. The goal is to protect life and property from flooding and erosion. This watershed-wide, comprehensive program includes: development applications and permits, municipal plan input and review, environmental planning and policy, flood forecast and warning, flood and erosion control infrastructure, technical studies, ice management, education and public awareness.						
GENREGS (1)	Section 28.1 Permit Administration	Reviewing and processing permit applications, associated technical reports, site inspections, communication with applicants, agents, consultants and legal costs.	1	CA Act	\$190,500	Municipal Levy – 34%, Self-Generated – 66%
REGSPLAN-OPS39 (2), REGPLAN-WPP39(2), REGSPLAN (3) 80%	Municipal Plan Input and Review	Technical information and advice to municipalities on circulated municipal land use planning applications (Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, Subdivisions, Consents, Minor Variances). Input to municipal land-use planning documents (OP, Comprehensive ZB, Secondary plans) related to natural hazards, on behalf of MNRF (delegated to CAs in 1983). Input to the review and approval processes under other applicable law, with comments principally related to natural hazards, wetlands, watercourses and Sec. 28 permit requirements. Include property inquiries here	1	CA Act	\$110,000	Municipal Levy – 87%, Self-Generated – 13%
REGSPLAN (3) 20%	Plan Review Not Related to Natural Hazards	Technical information and advice to municipalities on circulated municipal land use planning applications (Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, Subdivisions, Consents, Minor Variances).	2	CA Act	\$17,300	Municipal Levy – 100%,
Flood-Comm (4), Flood-Data (4), Flood-Train (4), Flood-Oper (4), Flood-Res (4)	Flood Forecasting and Warning	Daily data collection and monitoring of weather forecasts, provincial and local water level forecasts, watershed conditions, snow course. Flood event forecasting. Flood warning, communications and response. Equipment maintenance. Annual meeting with municipal flood emergency coordinator.	1	CA Act	\$165,100	Municipal Levy – 51%, Provincial – 49%

Assumptions for Preparation of Inventory

- ▶ Surplus non-mandatory funds will not be used to offset mandatory programs
- ▶ Where possible surplus funds will be used in the area of business that they are generated within

Types of Funding for Programs

- ▶ Municipal Levy
- ▶ Self-Generated – includes fees, grants, donations
- ▶ Special Levy – Flood Control Structures, CK Greening
- ▶ Provincial Funding – Section 39 and CMOG (museum grant)
- ▶ Note: Non-mandatory programs have significant self generated and grant funding

Draft Multi-Year Budget

Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority 2024 - 2028 Multi-Year Budget

Object	2023 Revised Budget	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	2028 Budget	Notes
Expenditures							
FLOOD CONTROL STRUCTURES		173,809	180,761	184,377	188,064	191,825	
EROSION CONTROL STRUCTURES		10	10	11	11	11	
FLOOD FORECASTING AND WARNING		106,545	110,807	113,023	115,283	117,589	
TECHNICAL STUDIES		102,687	106,794	108,930	111,109	113,331	
PLANNING & REGULATIONS		386,983	402,462	410,512	418,722	427,096	
WATERSHED MONITORING		123,621	128,566	131,137	133,760	136,435	
SOURCE PROTECTION		23,882	24,837	25,334	25,841	26,358	
THAMES MOUTH DEBRIS REMOVAL		-	-	-	-	-	
CONSERVATION AREAS		674,081	701,044	715,065	729,366	743,954	
COMMUNITY RELATIONS		142,735	148,444	151,413	154,442	157,530	
CONSERVATION EDUCATION		113,297	117,829	120,185	122,589	125,041	
SKA-NAH-DOHT VILLAGE		124,702	129,690	132,284	134,930	137,628	
CONSERVATION SERVICES (FORESTRY)		172,398	179,294	182,880	186,537	190,268	
CHATHAM-KENT GREENING PROJECT		517,898	538,614	549,386	560,374	571,581	
PHOSPHORUS REDUCTION		923,336	960,269	979,475	999,064	1,019,046	
SPECIES AT RISK		171,028	177,869	181,427	185,055	188,756	
ADMINISTRATION		599,082	623,045	635,838	649,236	663,261	
ASSET MANAGEMENT		-	16,611	34,052	52,016	70,519	
Other Expenses		-	-	-	-	-	
Recovered Expenses		-	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures		4,356,094	4,546,948	4,655,328	4,766,399	4,880,230	
Revenues							
Other Taxation		-	-	-	-	-	
Government Grants & Subsidies		(1,468,581)	(1,527,324)	(1,557,871)	(1,589,028)	(1,620,809)	
User Fees		(1,021,460)	(1,062,318)	(1,083,565)	(1,105,236)	(1,127,341)	
Other Municipal Revenues		(205,000)	(213,200)	(217,464)	(221,813)	(226,250)	
Total Revenues		(2,695,041)	(2,802,843)	(2,858,899)	(2,916,077)	(2,974,399)	
Total Net Budget	1,581,955	1,661,053	1,744,106	1,796,428	1,850,321	1,905,831	
Net Inc. / (Dec.) \$		79,098	83,053	52,323	53,893	55,509	
Net Inc. / (Dec.) %	0	5.0%	5.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	
		2024 - 2028 Average Annual Net Amount Increase/(Decrease):					
		2024 - 2028 Average Annual Net Percentage Increase/(Decrease):					

Category 1 - Budget

Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority
2024 - 2028 Multi-Year Budget

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Category 2 - Budget

Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority
2024 - 2028 Multi-Year Budget

Object	2023 Revised Budget	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	2028 Budget	Notes
Expenditures							
FLOOD CONTROL STRUCTURES	-		-	-	-	-	
EROSION CONTROL STRUCTURES	-		-	-	-	-	
FLOOD FORECASTING AND WARNING	-		-	-	-	-	
TECHNICAL STUDIES	-		-	-	-	-	
PLANNING & REGULATIONS	-		-	-	-	-	
WATERSHED MONITORING	-		-	-	-	-	
SOURCE PROTECTION	-		-	-	-	-	
THAMES MOUTH DEBRIS REMOVAL	-		-	-	-	-	
CONSERVATION AREAS	-		-	-	-	-	
COMMUNITY RELATIONS	-		-	-	-	-	
CONSERVATION EDUCATION	-		-	-	-	-	
SKA-NAH-DOHT VILLAGE	-		-	-	-	-	
CONSERVATION SERVICES (FORESTRY)	-		-	-	-	-	
CHATHAM-KENT GREENING PROJECT	-	80,000	83,200	84,864	86,561	88,293	
PHOSPHORUS REDUCTION	-		-	-	-	-	
SPECIES AT RISK	-		-	-	-	-	
ADMINISTRATION	-		-	-	-	-	
ASSET MANAGEMENT	-		-	-	-	-	
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Recovered Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Expenditures	-	80,000	83,200	84,864	86,561	88,293	
Revenues							
Other Taxation	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Government Grants & Subsidies	-	-	-	-	-	-	
User Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Municipal Revenues	-	(80,000)	(83,200)	(84,864)	(86,561)	(88,293)	
Total Revenues	-	(80,000)	(83,200)	(84,864)	(86,561)	(88,293)	
Total Net Budget	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Net Inc. / (Dec.) \$		-	-	-	-	-	
Net Inc. / (Dec.) %	0	0	0	0	0	0	
		2024 - 2028 Average Annual Net Amount Increase/(Decrease):					
		2024 - 2028 Average Annual Net Percentage Increase/(Decrease):					

Category 3 - Budget

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Developing the Municipal Agreement for Category 2 and 3 Levy - Background

- ▶ Have been and will be meeting with municipal staff and neighbouring CA staff regarding format
- ▶ Used the format proposed by Ausable-Bayfield Conservation Authority – that shares one our the LTVCA municipalities
- ▶ Same general format being used by neighbouring CAs
- ▶ Agreement asks for continued funding for all program areas

What Services are in Cat 2 and 3

No Category 2 Services in Strathroy-Caradoc

Category 3

- ▶ Conservation Education
- ▶ Elements of monitoring
- ▶ Species at Risk
- ▶ Stewardship
- ▶ Campgrounds – Active use of Conservation Areas

Specifics of Agreement - Changes

- ▶ Was brought to the board for initial approval in October 2022 – prior to new board sitting
- ▶ Bill 23 resulted in changes to the agreement which include removal of non-permitted services e.g. natural heritage
- ▶ Amended Agreement was approved by LTVCA Board on April 20, 2023

Strathroy-Caradoc - Breakdown

Preliminary 2024 Budget

- ▶ Total Levy 2023 \$ 103,447
- ▶ Category 1 - \$ 94,990
- ▶ Category 2 - \$0
- ▶ Category 3 - \$ 8,457 (8.18% of total)

Request

- ▶ Request Approval of LTVCA Inventory of Programs and Categories of Programs and Services Agreement
- ▶ Make arrangements to go to council in October if possible for approval

Questions

ABOUT US

Our Vision

The LTVCA...for
a balanced &
healthy
watershed

Our Mission

Leading by example
in environmental
protection in
partnership with
the community

Our Core Values

Respect, integrity,
commitment, objectivity, &
collaboration

