

Notice of Public Meeting to Consider a Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-Law Amendment for Agriculture-Related Uses and On-Farm Diversified Uses

Purpose and Effect of The Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment:

The Region of Durham, in coordination with the Townships of Scugog, Brock, and Uxbridge, has retained WSP Canada Inc. to undertake a North Durham Agriculture-related and On-Farm Diversified Uses Study. The purpose of the Study is to provide recommendations on policies for agriculture-related and on-farm diversified activities, and the application and approval processes for these activities within the Townships.

The main objectives of the Study are to support economic viability within the rural and agricultural areas of North Durham by better enabling agriculture-related and on-farm diversified uses and in doing so, help farmers.

The Township is updating its Official Plan and Zoning By-law to implement recommendations that WSP provided the Township.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applies to all lands in the Township of Scugog. On this basis, no location map has been provided with this Notice.

Public Meeting:

The Council of the Township of Scugog will hold a Statutory Public Meeting to provide interested parties with the opportunity to learn more about the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments, make comments, and provide additional information relative to the proposed amendments before any decisions are made on the proposed amendments. This Statutory Public Meeting will be held on:

Monday, September 15, 2025, at 6:30 PM

Township of Scugog Municipal Office (Council Chambers on Upper Level)
181 Perry Street, Port Perry

In Person: Use the rear entrance located between the original building and the south wing and take the elevator or stairs to the 2nd floor. Parking is available at the rear of the building.

Virtually: Residents can also participate electronically and watch the Statutory Public Meeting live through the Township's website at: <https://www.scugog.ca/en/township-office/council-committee-calendar.aspx>

To watch the livestream or video recording of the meeting, click on the Planning and Community Affairs meeting on September 15, 2025, and select the HTML version of the agenda to follow along with the agenda and video recording at the same time. Please note that the livestream video will not be available until just before the meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

Please note that we cannot guarantee the exact time that this matter will be discussed as it will depend on the number of items on the meeting agenda and Committee's consideration of preceding agenda items.

Comments or Questions:

Members of the public wishing to address the Committee through electronic means (virtual participation) rather than appear in person to make a delegation are required to submit their request to speak to this matter no later than **2:00 p.m. on September 10, 2025** by contacting the Office of the Township Clerk at clerks@scugog.ca with your full name, address and the item on the agenda. This will allow time for you to be added to the meeting. Once your request to speak is confirmed, you will be sent a virtual meeting link.

Should you be unable to access a computer, please call 905-985-7346 ext. 118 to speak with a Staff Member in the Office of the Township Clerk.

Written comments can also be provided before or after the meeting to the Township planner on file noted below. For more information and/or to be notified of subsequent meetings or the decision of the Township of Scugog Council, please contact Township Planning Staff:

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Manager of Planning
&
Vanessa Reusser, MCIP, RPP
Principal Planner
Township of Scugog
181 Perry Street, Box 780
Port Perry, ON L9L 1A7
905-985-7346 or planning@scugog.ca

To Access the Report and Draft Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment: Copies of the staff report for the public meeting will be available online generally no earlier than September 10, 2025 at the following link: <https://www.scugog.ca/en/township-office/council-committee-calendar.aspx>.

Click on the Planning and Community Affairs meeting on September 15, 2025 and select the PDF version of the Agenda or by contacting the Township Contact shown above. The proposed amendments are available to the public for inspection at the Township of Scugog Municipal Office during regular business hours – 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

To Be Notified of the Decision: If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Township of Scugog on the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Office of the Township Clerk, Township of Scugog, 181 Perry Street, Port Perry, ON L9L 1A7.

To Appeal: If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Township of Scugog to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Scugog before the proposed amendments are adopted or the proposed by-laws are passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Scugog before the amendments are adopted or the by-laws are passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal, unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, please contact the Township Contact as shown above.

Scugog Webpage:

Information pertaining to the proposed amendments is available on the Township's "My Scugog, Our Community" online engagement platform at <https://my.scugog.ca/farm-diversified-uses-and-agricultural-related-study>.

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments will become part of the public record except for personal information.

Accessibility: The Township of Scugog is committed to providing services as set out in the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*. If you have accessibility needs and require alternate formats or other accommodations, please contact Township Clerk Services by telephone at 905-985-7346 or by email at clerks@scugog.ca.

Dated at the Township of Scugog August 21, 2025.