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Attn: Travis Sandberg

Manager – Land Development and Planning

Re: Municipal Review Comments - Environmental Impact Study at

516681 7th Line, Town of the Blue Mountains, ON

Cambium Reference: 14562-001

Dear Mr. Sandberg,

As you are aware, Town of the Blue Mountains and Grey County Planning staff provided preliminary comments on the Environmental Impact Study (EIS) prepared by Cambium Inc. (Cambium) in support of a Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision application at 516681 7th Line in the Town of the Blue Mountains, Ontario (the Site). Comments relating to the EIS in the letter dated August 25, 2023, were as follows:

2. Environmental Impact Study:

An environmental impact study for peer review was requested in the preconsultation notes. Official Plan Policy Requirements for an Environmental Impact Study are set out in section C9. The Environmental impact study includes the recommendation:

The Stormwater Management Plan prepared for the site should specifically address potential stormwater impacts to water quality and quantity of the surrounding features, erosion potential and a feature-based water balance study (if required).

To confirm the conclusions of the EIS the following material is required:

a) FSR and SWM Report scope

The preliminary stormwater management report does not reference the requirement set out in the EIS. Please provide a response addressing the related matters set out above.

b) Water Balance Study

No feature-based water balance study has been undertaken as stated in the EIS. Please provide a response addressing the related matters set out above.

This information should come from qualified professional(s) addressing the interrelationships between engineering and environmental issues on the subject and surrounding lands.

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With respect to Cambium's recommendation to prepare a feature-based surface water balance (Items 2a and 2b, above), Tatham Engineering (Tatham; the civil design engineer) has prepared a letter summarizing the stormwater management strategy and defining the surface water catchment areas applicable to the Site (see enclosed).

For clarity, the intent of the EIS recommendation is to ensure that the volume of overland drainage currently conveyed to local, sensitive hydrologic receivers (i.e., wetlands and watercourses) will not be substantially altered in the proposed post-development condition. Such changes in surface water inputs can alter the form and/or negatively impact the ecological function of these receivers.

Tatham has confirmed that surface water generated on the Site will be conveyed to an existing stormwater management facility which was previously designed/sized to accommodate surface flows from the subject Site.

Furthermore, Tatham has confirmed that the that local surface water catchment areas will not be altered as a result of the proposed development.

Based on our review of the additional materials prepared by Tatham with respect to the stormwater management strategy for the Site, Cambium is of the opinion that a feature-based surface water balance is no longer required. As such, the subject recommendation should be deemed to be appropriately addressed.

If you have any questions related to the above, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (705) 719-0700.

Best regards,

Cambium Inc.

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Encl. Letter – Response to SWM Comments, Tatham Engineering (September 27, 2023)

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Re:

GBC Residential Enclave, Town of The Blue Mountains

Response to SWM Comments

Dear Travis:

This letter has been prepared in response to Town and County comments dated August 25, 2023, specifically comment 2.a) which states:

2. Environmental Impact Study:

An environmental impact study for peer review was requested in the pre-consultation notes. Official Plan Policy Requirements for an Environmental Impact Study are set out in section C9. The Environmental impact study includes the recommendation: *The Stormwater Management Plan prepared for the site should specifically address potential stormwater impacts to water quality and quantity of the surrounding features, erosion potential and a feature-based water balance study (if required).* To confirm the conclusions of the EIS the following material is required:

a) FSR and SWM Report scope

The preliminary stormwater management report does not reference the requirement set out in the EIS. Please provide a response addressing the related matters set out above.

The following summary confirms that the proposed stormwater management system for the GBC Residential Enclave development will not impact the downstream receivers from the site.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DESIGN FOR THE GBC RESIDENTIAL ENCLAVE

The primary objective of the stormwater management design was to demonstrate that the proposed Georgian Bay Club (GBC) Residential Enclave complies with the previously established stormwater management (SWM) design criteria and land uses/densities established and accepted in the following SWM reports that encompass the proposed site:





- Servicing & Stormwater Management Implementation Report The Private Residences at the Georgian Bay Club, by Crozier Consulting Engineers (May 2015); and
- Stormwater Management for Georgian Bay Club, by R.J. Burnside and Associates (March 2002).

The above noted reports provided a summary of the catchment boundaries and overall SWM design for the Georgian Bay Club development area, which includes the proposed GBC Residential Enclave site.

Proposed GBC Residential Enclave

The previously accepted Burnside and Crozier reports for the development area identify the subject site to be within Catchments 33303 and 33307 of Watershed 33. The site will be serviced by internal gravity storm sewers which will be sized to convey the 10-year storm runoff to the existing 600 mm diameter storm sewer stub which flows through the existing Private Residences development north of the GBC Residential Enclave (consistent with the existing flow route for the site). Larger storm events will continue to be conveyed overland via the existing Private Residences major overland flow route (which was designed to accept overland flow from the GBC Residential Enclave for storms greater than the 10-year storm), ultimately flowing to the existing SWM Pond 2. The pond is sized to receive flows from the subject site (assuming a maximum 15% imperviousness from Catchments 33303 and 33307). The combined percent impervious for these catchments, including the proposed GBC Residential Enclave was conservatively calculated to be 14.9%. Therefore, the pond is adequately sized to receive stormwater from the GBC Residential Enclave site. Additionally, the existing storm sewer design (from the Crozier report) assumed a runoff coefficient of 0.50 for the GBC Residential Enclave when sizing the storm sewer stub to service the proposed development. The runoff coefficient for the proposed site was conservatively calculated to be 0.39. This is much less than the runoff coefficient used to design the receiving sewer. Therefore, the existing storm sewer stub is adequately sized to service the proposed development (refer to the Preliminary Functional Servicing Report, prepared by Tatham Engineering Limited (July 2023) for additional details).

Summary

The stormwater runoff from the GBC Residential Enclave currently drains to SWM Pond 2. The development of the GBC Residential Enclave was previously considered as part of the downstream Private Residences development and SWM Pond 2 design. The SWM design and proposed drainage characteristics for the GBC Residential Enclave comply with the previously accepted SWM criteria and design. Therefore, the downstream storm system is expected to function as designed and approved.



We trust this letter is satisfactory in addressing the Town and County's comment.

Yours truly,

Tatham Engineering Limited

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