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JOINT STATEMENT ON THE AMALGAMATION OF LONG POINT REGION, CATFISH CREEK, GRAND RIVER, AND KETTLE CREEK CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

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TILLSONBURG, ON — In accordance with recent changes to the Conservation Authorities Act, Ontario’s 36 conservation authorities will amalgamate into 9 regional conservation authorities on February 1, 2027. Locally, Long Point Region Conservation Authority (LPRCA), Kettle Creek Conservation Authority (KCCA), Catfish Creek Conservation Authority (CCCA), and Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) will be consolidated into what will be known as the Eastern Lake Erie Regional Conservation Authority.

The newly formed Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency will be overseeing the transition and is in the process of appointing a project executive to chair a transition committee. The transition committee will consist of the General Manager/CAO and one elected board member from each of the amalgamating conservation authorities. The transition committee is not expected to convene until late summer.

In the meantime, the Chairs of LPRCA, KCCA, CCCA, and GRCA have collaborated on a joint statement, attached, that demonstrates a commitment to navigating this moment with as much openness and transparency as possible. To this end, each Board has adopted the attached “Guiding Principles of Transition” to help inform the transition. The principles are not listed in order of priority but rather are all viewed as essential to a successful transition.

The four conservation authorities invite the public to visit their websites for more information as it becomes available (<https://www.lprca.on.ca/board-governance/eastern-lake-erie-regional-conservation-authority-transition/>).

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