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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 THE PROPONENT

The Proponent of the proposed Runway 10-28 extension is the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport (LSRA).

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1.2 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The work being considered by the Proponent is subject to the *Canadian Aviation Regulations (CAR) Aerodrome Work Consultations Parts 307.01 to 307.10*. The project includes the following scope:

- Extension of Runway 10-28 by 1,000 ft (305 m) on the Western end, including new pavement line markings;
- Grading improvements along the length of the runway extension;
- Installation of additional runway edge lights and relocation of airfield lighting, including runway end/threshold lights.
- Installation of a Runway End Safety Area (RESA) on the Western end.
- Select tree trimming or cutting to the west of the runway to facilitate an improved instrument runway approach.
- Installation of culvert crossing at Shelswell Creek.

The work is proposed to commence in the spring of 2026 and be completed by winter 2027, subject to the outcome of the CAR 307 process and the various comments and responses issued as outlined in this Summary Report.

Runway 10-28 which is the primary runway of the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport is currently 6001 ft (1,829 m) and is proposed to be extended to 7000 ft (2,134 m). The runway extension is proposed to improve the overall safety and useability of the Airport.

The design of the Runway 10-28 extension is being completed based on the latest Transport Canada Airport Design Standards and Best Practices (TP312 5th Edition 4th Amendment).

Figure 1 below shows a diagram of the proposed extension of Runway 10-28.

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Figure 1: Runway 10-28 Extension Diagram

1.3 CANADIAN AVIATION REGULATIONS (CAR) 307 AERODROME WORK CONSULTATIONS

As of January 1, 2017, Transport Canada enacted regulations that require aerodrome proponents to consult with stakeholders before developing an aerodrome or significantly changing an existing one. Stakeholders may include local citizens, municipalities, local aerodrome operators, air navigation service providers, and Transport Canada. In accordance with the regulation, projects covered by this requirement are defined as:

***aerodrome work** means work, other than work necessary to comply with a new requirement imposed by or under the Act, carried out for any of the following purposes:*

- (a) building a new aerodrome; or
- (b) at an existing aerodrome,
 - (i) building a new runway for aeroplanes, or
 - (ii) increasing the length of an existing runway for aeroplanes by more than 100 m or 10%, whichever is greater. (*travaux d'aérodrome*)

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The work proposed meets the definition of *(b)(ii) at an existing aerodrome, increasing the length of an existing runway for aeroplanes by more than 100 m or 10%, whichever is greater*. As a result, the CAR 307 consultation process applies and must be followed.

This Summary Report documents how the requirements of Canadian Aviation Regulations Aerodrome Work Consultations Parts 307.01 to 307.10 have been met and has been generally organized in accordance with the Regulation Part 307.07 as outlined below:

Summary Report

307.07 At the end of the period referred to in paragraph 307.06(f), the proponent shall prepare a summary report that includes the following:

- (a) a description of the proposed aerodrome work;*
- (b) a description of the measures taken by the proponent to comply with the requirements of this Subpart;*
- (c) the interested parties who were notified of the proposed aerodrome work; and*
- (d) a summary of the comments and objections received, the actions that the proponent proposes to take to address those comments and objections, and any objections that were not addressed, if applicable.*

SOR/2016-261, s. 3

1.4 PRE-CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES

In advance of initiating the CAR 307 process, the Proponent completed the following activities to assess the feasibility of the proposed runway extension and to develop a preliminary design and understand future potential technical and environmental studies that may be required to undertake the work responsibly and with regard of applicable legislation and regulations:

- **2019** – Project Initiation Including:
 - Natural Heritage Study
 - Archaeological Assessments (Stage 1 and 2)
 - Preliminary Design
- **2020 -2021** – Additional Environmental and Field Studies
 - Bat Habitat Study
 - Detail Fisheries Assessment
 - LSRCA Consultation Regarding Shelswell Creek Crossing
- **2024** – DFO Initial Submission and Consultation
- **2025** – Initiated the formal consultation process required by CAR 307.

1.5 PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE

The following outlines the proposed overall project schedule being contemplated for the project:

March - June 2026

- Detailed Design Engineering
- Issue Project for Tender

June 2026 - November 2027

- Project Construction

December 2027

- Runway Open

2. MEASURES TAKEN TO COMPLY WITH REGULATION CARS 307.01-.10

2.1 COMPLIANCE CONFIRMATION

This section of the report demonstrates how the Proponent complied with the Transport Canada Aerodrome Work Consultation Regulations Part 307.01 – 307.10. **Table 1** below outlines the regulatory requirements and the actions taken by the Proponent.

Table 1: Regulation Compliance Matrix

Regulation Section	Actions Taken by the Proponent to Comply
<p>Subpart 7 — Aerodromes — Consultations</p> <p>Interpretation</p> <p><i>307.01 The following definitions apply in this Subpart.</i></p> <p><i>aerodrome work means work, other than work necessary to comply with a new requirement imposed by or under the Act, carried out for any of the following purposes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>(a) building a new aerodrome; or</i> • <i>(b) at an existing aerodrome,</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>(i) building a new runway for aeroplanes, or</i> 	<p>The Proponent acknowledges that this Regulation applies to the proposed work. The proposed work involves increasing the length of an existing runway by greater than 100 m, meeting 307.01 (b)(ii).</p>

Regulation Section	Actions Taken by the Proponent to Comply
<p>○ (ii) increasing the length of an existing runway for aeroplanes by 100 m or by 10%, whichever is greater. (travaux d'aérodrome)</p> <p>proponent means a person who proposes to carry out aerodrome work. (promoteur)</p> <p>protected area means a natural area or habitat that is protected by or under federal legislation. (aire protégée)</p>	<p>The Proponent as described in Section 1.1 above acknowledges that it is the proponent per the definition given.</p> <p>The Proponent recognized the definition of “protected areas” as those covered under federal jurisdiction and has circulated a notice to those affected by the regulation as outlined in Section 3 of this report. The following website was used to determine any protected areas in close proximity to the project. (Canadian Protected and Conserved Areas Database - Canada.ca or www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/national-wildlife-areas/protected-conserved-areas-database.html)</p>
<p>Application</p> <p>307.02 This Subpart applies to existing and proposed aerodromes that are not</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (a) military aerodromes; • (b) water aerodromes; • (c) aerodromes that are used primarily for agricultural operations; • (d) aerodromes, including heliports, that are used primarily for helicopter operations; and • (e) aerodromes that are used as temporary installations for the purpose of providing emergency services, such as forest fire suppression, law enforcement activities, and search and rescue operations, and responding to a medical emergency. 	<p>The Proponent acknowledges that this section does not apply and that they are not exempt.</p>
<p>Requirement — Consultations</p>	<p>The Proponent acknowledges that it must consult with interested parties as defined by</p>

Regulation Section	Actions Taken by the Proponent to Comply
<p>307.03 <i>The proponent shall consult with the interested parties in accordance with the requirements of this Subpart.</i></p> <p>Interested Parties</p> <p>307.04 (1) <i>For the purposes of this Subpart, the interested parties are the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (a) <i>if a built-up area of a city or town is located within a radius of 4 000 m from the location of the proposed aerodrome work,</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ (i) <i>the Minister,</i> ▪ (ii) <i>the providers of air navigation services,</i> ▪ (iii) <i>the operator of a certified or registered aerodrome located within a radius of 30 nautical miles from the location of the proposed aerodrome work,</i> ▪ (iv) <i>the authority responsible for a protected area located within the radius of 4 000 m from the location of the proposed aerodrome work,</i> ▪ (v) <i>any local land use authority where the proposed aerodrome work is to be carried out, and</i> ▪ (vi) <i>members of the public who are within the radius of 4 000 m from the location of the proposed aerodrome work; or</i> 	<p>this regulation as defined under this section 307.04(1) (a).</p> <p>Note: The proponent completed a self assessment to determine that there may be a built-up area within 4,000m of the work utilizing the built up area assessment tool for CAR 307 as published in AC 307-001 Issue 01.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (b) <i>in any other case,</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ (i) <i>the Minister,</i> ▪ (ii) <i>the providers of air navigation services,</i> ▪ (iii) <i>the operator of a certified or registered aerodrome located within a radius of 30 nautical miles from the location of the proposed aerodrome work,</i> ▪ (iv) <i>the authority responsible for a protected area located within a radius of</i> 	<p>This section of the regulation does not apply to this work. Part (a) above applies.</p>

Regulation Section	Actions Taken by the Proponent to Comply
<p>4 000 m from the location of the proposed aerodrome work,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ (v) any local land use authority where the proposed aerodrome work is to be carried out, and ▪ (vi) the owner of any land bordering the land on which the proposed aerodrome work is to be carried out. 	
<p>(2) For the purposes of subsection (1), the radius of 4000 m from the location of the proposed aerodrome work shall be measured from the outer perimeter of the site of that location.</p>	<p>The Proponent acknowledges that this requirement must be met and the 4000-metre offset from the existing boundary was established as shown in Figure 2. The red coloured boundary represents the 4000-metre radius as defined by this clause.</p>
<p>Notice and Sign</p> <p>307.05 The proponent shall, at least 75 days before the expected start date of the proposed aerodrome work,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (a) provide a notice of the proposed aerodrome work to the interested parties referred to in subparagraphs 307.04(1)(a)(i) to (v) or paragraph 307.04(1)(b), as applicable; and 	<p>The Proponent developed a notification program to comply with the requirement outlined in 307.04(1)(a)(i) to (v).</p> <p>Refer to Section 3 of this report, which details the program and the actions taken to comply with this requirement.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (b) in the case referred to in paragraph 307.04(1)(a), place a sign, in plain view of the public, at the location where the proposed aerodrome work is to be carried out. 	<p>The Proponent developed a notification program to comply with the requirement outlined in (b).</p> <p>Refer to Section 3 of this report, which details the program and the actions taken to comply with this requirement.</p>
<p>Content of Notice and Sign</p> <p>307.06 The proponent shall include the following information on the notice and the sign:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (a) a drawing showing the location of the proposed aerodrome work; 	<p>The Proponent developed a notification program to comply with this requirement.</p> <p>Refer to Section 3 of this report, which details the program and the actions taken to comply with this requirement.</p>

Regulation Section	Actions Taken by the Proponent to Comply
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>(b) a description of the proposed aerodrome work and its purpose;</i> • <i>(c) the expected start date and completion date of the proposed aerodrome work;</i> • <i>(d) a statement that the interested parties may provide their comments or objections to the proponent with respect to the proposed aerodrome work;</i> • <i>(e) contact information, including the mailing address, phone number and email address, for the contact persons to whom the interested parties may provide their comments or objections; and</i> • <i>(f) the period, which shall be at least 45 days, during which the interested parties may provide their comments or objections.</i> 	<p>Refer also to Appendix A for a copy of the official notification that addresses each of these items.</p> <p>Refer to Appendix A and Section 3.2 for details related to the project website that was created for this project at www.lakesimcoeairport.com/runwayextension</p>
<p>Summary Report</p> <p><i>307.07 At the end of the period referred to in paragraph 307.06(f), the proponent shall prepare a summary report that includes the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>(a) a description of the proposed aerodrome work;</i> • <i>(b) a description of the measures taken by the proponent to comply with the requirements of this Subpart;</i> • <i>(c) the interested parties who were notified of the proposed aerodrome work; and</i> • <i>(d) a summary of the comments and objections received, the actions that the proponent proposes to take to address those comments and objections, and any objections that were not addressed, if applicable.</i> 	<p>The Proponent has prepared this report to comply with this requirement.</p>
<p>Communication of Summary Report</p> <p><i>307.08 The proponent shall, as soon as practicable after the end of the period referred to in paragraph 307.06(f), provide the summary</i></p>	<p>The Proponent will post the final Summary Report on the project website to make it available to all interested parties. The interested parties as identified in Section 307.04(1)(a)(i) to (vi) will also receive an</p>

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<p><i>report to the Minister and make it available to the interested parties.</i></p>	<p>email or mailed notice advising of the availability of the report by way of the project website.</p>
<p>Availability of Summary Report</p> <p><i>307.09 The proponent shall ensure that the summary report is available to the interested parties for at least five years after the date on which it is made available to them.</i></p>	<p>The Proponent will post the Summary Report on the project website to make it available to the interested parties.</p> <p>The Proponent will also make a copy of the final Summary Report available for viewing via an online request through the LSRA.</p>
<p>Start of Aerodrome Work</p> <p><i>307.10 (1) The proponent shall not start the proposed aerodrome work before the end of 30 days after the date on which the summary report is provided to the Minister.</i></p> <p><i>(2) If the proponent does not start the proposed aerodrome work within five years after the date on which the summary report is provided to the Minister, the proponent shall once again comply with the requirements of this Subpart.</i></p>	<p>The Proponent will comply with this requirement and will not start construction until the end of 30 days after which the Summary Report is provided to the Minister.</p>

3. LIST OF INTERESTED PARTIES NOTIFIED OF PROJECT

Note, this section refers to notices that have been sent by mail, all mail notices couriered via Purolator due to rolling Canada Post strikes at the time of sending.

3.1 NOTICE

Appendix A contains the official notice prepared by the Proponent that met all the requirements outlined in **Table 1**, CAR 307.06 and was applied to the project signage and notices issued to those parties required under CAR 307.04(1)(a)(i) to (v).

Figure 2 below shows the mandated 4 km notification boundary drawn in red and in accordance with the regulation.



Figure 2: 4 km Notification Boundary per CAR 307 (Red Line)

3.2 PROJECT WEBSITE

The Proponent created a project website to make project information available and to enable interested parties to submit comments. The website address is www.lakesimcoeairport.com/runwayextension. **Figures 3 and 4** below contain the main webpage in English. The website will remain active throughout the CAR 307 process. The final Summary Report will be posted for public viewing on this website in accordance with the regulation.

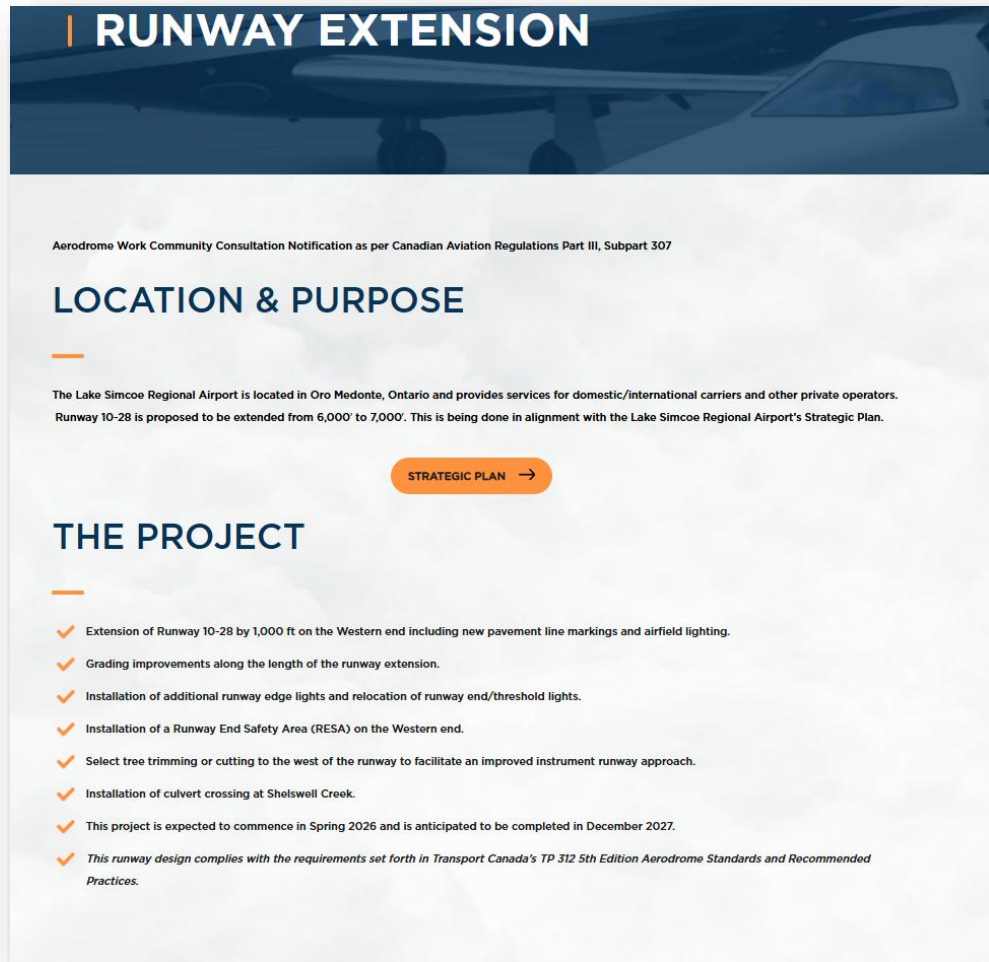


Figure 3: Main Webpage Part 1

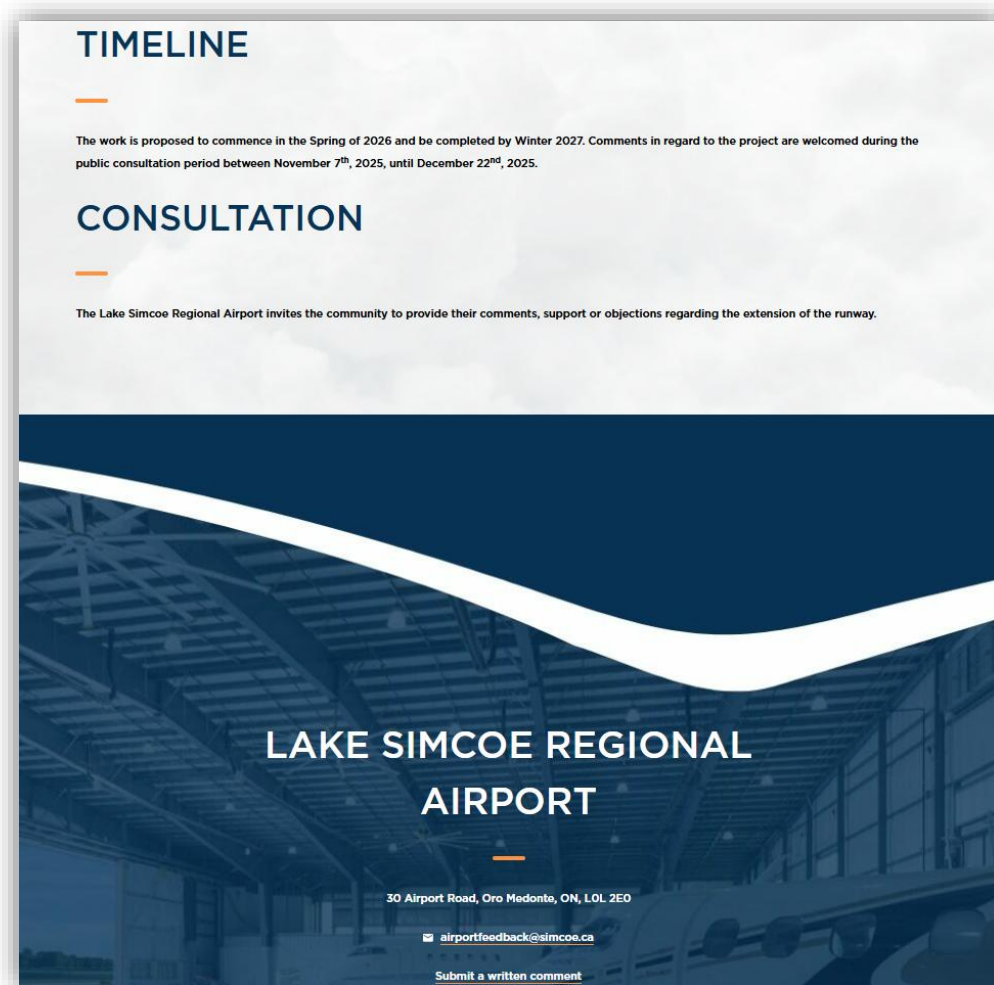


Figure 4: Main Webpage Part 2

3.3 SIGNAGE

The Proponent installed two (2) signs, one (1) at the main entrance to the Airport and one (1) inside the Terminal building. The signs were installed on November 6, 2025, and remained in place until December 23, 2025. **Appendix A** contains a copy of the sign layout and information and a picture of the sign at the airport entrance.

3.4 LOCAL NEWSPAPER

While there are no local print news papers remaining in Oro-Medonte, the Proponent published a Public Notice in the local online news publication Simcoe.com. The public notice was issued on November 7, 2025, and remained active throughout the consultation period.

Appendix A contains a copy of the published notice.

3.5 THE MINISTER

In accordance with Regulation Section 307.04 (1)(a)(i), the Minister of Transport was informed via letter sent via email. **Appendix B** contains a copy of the correspondence sent.

3.6 AIR NAVIGATIONS SERVICES (NAV CANADA)

In accordance with Regulation Section 307.04 (1)(a)(ii), the provider of Air Navigation Services, NAV CANADA, was informed via mail.

3.7 INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT

In accordance with Regulation Section 307.04 (1)(a)(vi), the following were sent notice by email on November 07, 2025.

- Chippewas of Rama First Nation
- Chippewas of Georgina Island
- Beausoleil First Nation

Appendix B contains a copy of the correspondence sent.

3.8 OPERATORS OF A CERTIFIED OR REGISTERED AERODROME

In accordance with Regulation Section 307.04 (1)(a)(iii), the following list of aerodrome operators within were sent the notice by mail on November 7, 2025. **Table 2** lists all the aerodromes notified, and any responses received.

Table 2: List of Aerodromes Notified

ident	Aerodrome Name	Operator/Owner	Response Received
NJ4	Orillia Rama Regional Airport	Airport	N
OP2	Ontario Provincial Police Headquarters	OPP	N
NA3	Springwater Aerodrome	Harbour Management	N
RV2	Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre	RVH	N
YEE	Huron Regional Airport	Commission	N
PW6	Georgian Bay General Hospital	Midland Hospital	N
NV8	Edenvale Aerodrome	Ops Manager	N
CT2	Cookstown Aerodrome	SkyDive Toronto	Y
NY4	Alliston Aerodrome	Bob Mackenzie	N
PZ2	Stevenson Memorial Hospital	Alliston Hospital	N
CR9	Creemore Aerodrome	Alexander Younger	N

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ident	Aerodrome Name	Operator/Owner	Response Received
NY3	Collingwood Regional Airport	Airport	N
YQA	Muskoka Airport	Airport	N
LA4	Holland Landing Airpark	Aerodrome	N
PM7	Bradford Aerodrome	E. Maslak	N
BB4	Beeton Field Airport	Terry Cleland	N

3.9 THE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR PROTECTED AREAS AND LAND USE

In accordance with Regulation Section 307.04 (1)(a)(iv) & (v), **Table 3** summarizes the local and federal agencies who were advised of the project via mailed notices issued on November 7, 2025.

Table 3: Summary of Authorities Responsible for Protected Areas and Land Use

Regulatory Name	Response Received
Lake Simcoe Regional Conservation Authority	No
Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority	No
Township of Oro Medonte	No
County of Simcoe	No

Note: the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) was not notified of this project through the CARs 307 public consultation process, however the proponent has been actively working with the DFO for a Project Review, initially submitted on April 12, 2024.

The Proponent confirmed utilizing the *Canadian Protected and Conserved Areas Database* that in accordance with definition of the CAR 307 Regulation related to “Protected Areas” no protected areas were within 4km of the work.

4. SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED

The public consultation undertaken by the Proponent in accordance with the CARs Regulation 307 resulted in the receipt of a total of two (2) submission over the forty-five (45) day period beginning November 7, 2025, and ending December 22, 2025. Copies of these submissions and Proponent follow up responses are contained in **Appendix C** and summarized below:

1. Dillon Bickell, Community consultation worker for the Chippewas of Rama First Nation requested additional information regarding archaeological assessments done on proposed

area of work, arborist report/ tree cutting plan and environmental studies completed to assess the impacts and mitigation measures for the disruption of this habitat due to the installation of the new culvert.

2. Joe Chow, Operations Manager for Cookstown Airport provided a comment in support of the extension citing the need for expanded air travel and the movement of cargo.

5. SUMMARY OF PROPONENT ACTIONS

Based on the foregoing, the Proponent has summarized below the proposed actions taken in response to the CAR 307 process.

1. Further consultation has been made with Dillon Bickell, he has been provided the archaeological assessments, the timeline on when the final tree cutting plan will be developed and the environmental studies that have been finalized and still on-going. The responses submitted are contained in **Appendix C**.

6. CLOSING

The CARs 307 regulation has allowed valuable consultations and community input related to the proposed runway extension which this report has addressed in compliance with Transport Canada's regulatory requirements.

The Proponent understands that final Summary Report will serve as a record of the commitments made by the Proponent regarding the aerodrome work.

This Summary Report has been submitted to the Minister of Transport and interested parties in accordance with the CAR 307 thirty (30) day final review period.

Upon acceptance or following the 30 day review period, the report will remain available for five (5) years at the offices of the Proponent or the project website.

APPENDIX A

Project Notice, Sign and Online News Notice

Public Notice

Background

The Lake Simcoe Regional Airport is extending the runway from 6000' to 7000'. This is being done in alignment with Phase I of the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport's Strategic Plan.

The Project

- Extension of Runway 10-28 by 1,000 ft on the Western end including new pavement line markings and airfield lighting.
- Grading improvements along the length of the runway extension.
- Installation of additional runway edge lights and relocation of airfield lighting, including runway end/threshold lights.
- Installation of a Runway End Safety Area (RESA) on the Western end.
- Select tree trimming or cutting to the west of the runway to facilitate an improved instrument runway approach.
- Installation of culvert crossing at Shelswell Creek.



Timeline

The work is proposed to commence in the Spring of 2026 and be completed by Winter 2027. Comments regarding the project are welcomed during the public consultation period between November 7th, 2025, until December 22nd, 2025.

Consultation

The Lake Simcoe Regional Airport invites the community to provide their comments or objections regarding the extension of Runway 10-28 at:

Lake Simcoe Regional Airport

30 Airport Road, Oro Medonte, ON L0L 2E0

Email: airportfeedback@simcoe.ca | **Phone:** 705-487-0999

Website: www.lakesimcoearport.com/runwayextension

Please note that all personal information submitted with written comments and requests is collected, maintained and may be disclosed for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s.37 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.



Public Notice

Background
The City of Simcoe is currently reviewing the existing, two-stage, 1980s-era wastewater treatment plant (WWT) located at 1000 Lakeshore Blvd. East, Simcoe, Ontario.

The Project
The City is currently reviewing the existing WWT plant and is planning to upgrade the plant to meet the requirements of the Simcoe Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project. The project will include the construction of a new treatment stage, the replacement of existing equipment, and the installation of new infrastructure. The project is expected to be completed by 2025.

Consultation
The City is currently in the public notice phase of the project. We are seeking input from the community on the proposed project. We will be holding public meetings and providing opportunities for public input. We will also be providing information on the project through various channels, including social media, website, and direct mail.

Contact Us
If you have any questions or would like to provide input, please contact the project team at the following information:

Lake Simcoe Regional Municipality
1000 Lakeshore Blvd. East, Simcoe, Ontario N4Y 2L1
Phone: 519-526-2222
Website: www.lakesimcoe.ca



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SIMCOE COUNTY

Public Notice

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Nov 7, 2025



County of Simcoe image

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November 6th, 2025

Sent via email: TC.MinisterofTransport-MinistredesTransports.TC@tc.gc.ca

Minister Steven MacKinnon
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON
K1A 0A6

Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Runway Extension

Dear Minister MacKinnon,

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The LSRA is planning to undertake a runway extension from 6,000 to 7,000 feet, in alignment with its Strategic Plan to support future growth and development. Further details about the project are available in the attached notice.

Should you have any inquiries or wish to arrange a meeting, please do not hesitate to contact my office by email at [REDACTED] or by phone at [REDACTED]. Additionally, if you are in the vicinity and would like to schedule a tour, we would be pleased to welcome you and provide a guided visit.

Sincerely,

Basil Clarke, Warden
County of Simcoe

C: Jack Bartlett, Transport Canada, via email [REDACTED]
Ovais Mateen, Transport Canada, via email [REDACTED]

Beausoleil First Nation
Administration Office
11 O'Gema Miikaans,
Christian Island, ON L9M 0A9

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If you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting, please reach out to Alison Coulombe at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,



Nancy Huether
Director, Economic Development and Airport Services

November 7th, 2025

Chippewas of Georgina Island
Georgina Island Administration Office
R.R.#2 Box N-13,
Sutton West, ON L0E 1R0

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Nancy Huether
Director, Economic Development and Airport Services

November 7th, 2025

Chippewas of Rama First Nation
Government Offices
5884 Rama Road Suite 200,
Rama, ON L3V 6H6

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Sincerely,



Nancy Huether
Director, Economic Development and Airport Services

APPENDIX C

Comment Submission

From: [Coulombe, Alison](#)
To: "Dillon Bickell"
Cc: [Airport Feedback](#); [Community Consultation](#)
Subject: RE: Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Runway Extension Information
Date: Friday, December 05, 2025 9:19:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[18683 Stage 1 Report - 2 August 2019.pdf](#)
[19814 Stage 2 Final Report - 24 Sept 2019.pdf](#)

Good morning Dillon,

Please see attached reports for your reference.

Let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss.

Best regards,

Alison

Alison Coulombe

From: Dillon Bickell <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, December 04, 2025 2:25 PM
To: Coulombe, Alison <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Airport Feedback <airportfeedback@simcoe.ca>; Community Consultation <consultation@ramafirstnation.ca>
Subject: RE: Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Runway Extension Information

Aaniin Alison,

Thank you for the detailed answers, that helps a lot. Are you able to share the archaeology report completed by Amik?

Miigwech!

Dillon

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From: Coulombe, Alison <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, December 4, 2025 11:23 AM
To: Dillon Bickell <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Airport Feedback <airportfeedback@simcoe.ca>; Community Consultation

[<consultation@ramafirstnation.ca>](mailto:consultation@ramafirstnation.ca)

Subject: RE: Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Runway Extension Information

Good morning Dillon,

Please find the responses to your inquiries below. Feel free to reach out if you would like to discuss further or have any additional questions.

Q1: I noticed on the western edge of the property where the proposed runway extension will be built is within the Shelswell Creek Wetland. There is mention of a new culvert needing to be installed, but have there been other environmental studies completed to assess the impacts and mitigation measures for the disruption of this habitat?

A1: Initial studies and investigations for this project began in 2019. At that time a Natural Heritage Study was completed by Beacon Environmental. The Natural Heritage Study Field investigations undertaken for this study did not identify a natural heritage feature or function at a level of significance or sensitivity that would represent a constraint at a level that would require an alternative to the proposed preliminary design for the runway extension. The study did make a number of other notable recommendations including:

- Commence discussion with DFO regarding fish habitat
 - This is ongoing. DFO is providing inputs to the final technical design of the culvert crossing.
- Construction Mitigations (Filter fabric, time of works etc.)
 - This will be incorporated into the design
- Additional studies:
 - A detail fisheries assessment of the section of Shelswell Creek that will be impacted
 - The fish sampling and thermal monitoring study was completed through the year of 2020 and the report finalized in January 2021. The study found that of the species captured across all sites, there exists a reasonably equal combination of both coolwater and warmwater species. Thermal monitoring data confirmed this section of creek as a coolwater thermal region. Based on the results the in water work timing restriction from March 15 – July 15 will be implemented.
 - Note: DFO is also using the results of this investigation to inform their inputs to the culvert design crossing/construction.
 - Assessment of bat maternity habitat and potential impacts to endangered species of bats.
 - The bat habitat study was finalized in April 2020. The recommendation of this study was that all tree removals should occur outside of the active roosting period for bats (April -October)

Q2: Do you have an arborist report and/or tree cutting plan in place, I am curious the quantity and specific species of trees that will need to be removed.

A2: Not at this time. The final tree cutting plan will be developed and confirmed closer to the opening date for the runway in late 2027 (tree growth). Preliminary assessment shows the approximate area below in red that will need to be cut or trimmed to accommodate the new obstacle limitation surfaces. *(Note: The image shown depicts trees closer to the end of the runway, which have since been managed by the airport to control the existing Obstacle Limitation Surface (OLS). This management was conducted under the supervision of the County of Simcoe Forestry Department while voluntarily complying with the Migratory Birds Convention Act).* The area shown in red is approximately 5 ha.



Q3: Additionally, have there been any archaeological assessments done in the proposed area of work?

A3: As mentioned previously the initial investigations and studies for this project started in 2019. The Archaeological assessments were completed by Amik Consultants Limited. The Stage 1 Assessment was completed and submitted in August 2019. The Stage 1 Assessment identified the recommendation a Stage 2 Assessment be completed. A Stage 2 Assessment was immediately commenced and completed late September 2019. The recommendations from the Stage 2 Assessment were that no further archaeological assessment of the study area is warranted and the proposed undertaking is clear of any archaeological concern.

Best regards,

Alison

Alison Coulombe

From: Coulombe, Alison

Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 6:04 PM

To: 'Dillon Bickell' <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Airport Feedback <airportfeedback@simcoe.ca>; Community Consultation <consultation@ramafirstnation.ca>

Subject: RE: Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Runway Extension Information

Good evening Dillon,

It's great to hear from you—I hope you're doing well.

Thank you for reaching out. I've forwarded your inquiry to our consultant, who has been overseeing the studies. While they are currently out of town, I anticipate having an update for you early next week.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Miigwech,

Alison

From: Dillon Bickell <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, November 17, 2025 11:01 AM

To: Coulombe, Alison <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Airport Feedback <airportfeedback@simcoe.ca>; Community Consultation

<[REDACTED]>

Subject: RE: Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Runway Extension Information

Aaniin Alison,

I hope you've been well! It's Dillon Bickell from the Chippewas of Rama First Nation and I am the community consultation worker here.

Thank you for the update on the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport. I had a couple of questions, I noticed on the western edge of the property where the proposed runway extension will be built is within the Shellswell Creek Wetland. There is mention of a new culvert needing to be installed, but have there been other environmental studies completed to assess the impacts and mitigation measures for the disruption of this habitat?

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Additionally, have there been any archaeological assessments done in the proposed area of work?

I look forward to hearing from you, miigwech!

Dillon

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From: Coulombe, Alison <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Friday, November 7, 2025 10:14 AM
To: Community Consultation <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Runway Extension Information

Dear Consultation and Lands Staff,

I am reaching out to share an update regarding the Lake Simcoe Regional Airport. Please see the attached correspondence for detailed information about the Runway Extension Project.

Should you require any clarification or additional information, please do not hesitate to reach out.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Miigwetch,

Alison Coulombe
Business Development and Project Manager

Lake Simcoe Regional Airport – CYLS

Email: [REDACTED]

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From: [Skydive Toronto - Guest Services](#)
To: [Airport Feedback](#)
Cc: [Joseph Chow](#)
Subject: Lake Simcoe Regional Airport Expansion Feedback
Date: Monday, November 10, 2025 3:30:43 PM
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Dear Sir/Miss,

I am excited and fully support the runway expansion at Lake Simcoe Regional Airport from 6,000 ft to 7,000 ft. The growing cities of Barrie and Orillia and other surrounding towns and villages need this expansion for bigger airplanes to provide air travel and the movement of cargo.

Regards,
Joe Chow
Operations Manager
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Home of Skydive Toronto



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