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Ms. Jabbour, Secretary-Treasurer/Planner  
Committee of Adjustment  
Town of Essex  
33 Talbot Street South  
Essex, ON N8M 1A8

Dear Ms. Jabbour:

RE: Application for Site Plan Control (SPC-05-20)  
1110 RIDGE RD  
ARN 375462000019100; PIN: 751940156  
Applicant: UCG LAND INC

The following is provided as a result of our review of Application for Site Plan Control SPC-05-20 for the Construction of two ancillary dwellings to accommodate the housing of farm help; and a 37,440 square foot greenhouse.

## **DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITY TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCIAL INTEREST IN NATURAL HAZARDS AND REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES ACT**

The following comments reflect our role as representing the provincial interest in natural hazards as outlined by Section 3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act* as well as our regulatory role as defined by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

We have reviewed our floodline mapping for this area and it has been determined this site is not located within a regulated area that is under the jurisdiction of the ERCA (Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*). As a result, a permit is not required from ERCA for issues related to Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*, Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation under the *Conservations Authorities Act*, (Ontario Regulation No. 158/06).

## **WATERSHED BASED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

The following comments are provided in an advisory capacity as a public commenting body on matters related to watershed management.

## **SECTION 1.6.6.7 Stormwater Management (PPS, 2020)**

Our office has reviewed the proposal and has no concerns relating to stormwater management.

Ms. Jabbour  
December 01, 2020

**PLANNING ADVISORY SERVICE TO PLANNING AUTHORITIES - NATURAL HERITAGE POLICIES OF THE PPS, 2020**

The following comments are provided from our perspective as an advisory service provider to the Planning Authority on matters related to natural heritage and natural heritage systems as outlined in Section 2.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act*. The comments in this section do not necessarily represent the provincial position and are advisory in nature for the consideration of the Planning Authority.

We note that the subject property is adjacent to (within 120 m of) a natural heritage feature that may meet the criteria for significance under the PPS. Section 2.1.8 of the PPS, 2020 states – “Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to the natural heritage features and areas identified in policies 2.1.4, 2.1.5 and 2.1.6 unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological functions.”

The subject property is not within or adjacent to any natural heritage feature that may meet the criteria for significance as defined by the PPS. Based on our review, we have no objection to the application with respect to the natural heritage policies of the PPS.

**FINAL RECOMMENDATION**

With the review of background information and aerial photograph, ERCA has no objection to this application for Site Plan Control.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Vitra Vimalananthan  
*Resource Planner*  
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