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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose and Background

In accordance with Condition 5 of the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' (Minister's) Notice of Approval to Proceed with the Undertaking, this report describes the results of the Stoney Creek Regional Facility (SCRF) Environmental Assessment (EA) Compliance Monitoring Program for the compliance reporting period of **September 19, 2022 to September 19, 2023**.

The Minister approved the SCRF EA that proposed to increase the capacity of the SCRF (Facility, Site) on September 19, 2019. The Minister's Notice of Approval (Approval) to proceed with the Undertaking issued under Section 9 of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, dictates the conditions of the Approval of the Undertaking that must be adhered to by the Proponent. At the time of approval, Terrapure Environmental was the Proponent of the SCRF EA. The SCRF subsequently changed ownership and is now owned by GFL. The following conditions relating to compliance monitoring and reporting were specified by the Minister in his approval to proceed:

4. Compliance Monitoring Program

4.1. The Proponent shall prepare and submit to the Director for approval and for the public record, an *Environmental Assessment compliance monitoring program*.

4.2. The compliance monitoring program shall be submitted within 60 days from the Date of Approval, or by another date agreed upon by the Director.

4.3. The compliance monitoring program shall include a description of how the Proponent will:

- a. monitor implementation of the Undertaking in accordance with the Environmental Assessment with respect to mitigation measures, public consultation, and additional studies and work to be carried out;
- b. monitor compliance with the conditions in this Notice of Approval; and,
- c. monitor compliance with all commitments made in the Environmental Assessment and the subsequent review of and approval process for the Environmental Assessment with respect to mitigation measures, public consultation, and additional studies and work to be carried out.

4.4. The compliance monitoring program must contain an implementation schedule for monitoring activities to be completed.

4.5. The Director may require the Proponent to amend the compliance monitoring program at any time. Should an amendment be required, the Director will notify the Proponent in writing of the required amendment and the date by which the Proponent must complete and submit the amendment to the Director.

4.6. The Proponent shall submit the amended compliance monitoring program to the Director within the time period specified by the Director.

4.7. The Proponent shall implement the compliance monitoring program and any amendments to it.

5. Compliance Reporting

5.1. The Proponent shall prepare an annual compliance report outlining the results of the compliance monitoring program (Condition 4 above) and place the document on the public record.

5.2. The first compliance report shall be submitted to the Director for review and for the public record no later than one year following the start of construction. Each subsequent annual compliance report shall be submitted on the date that is the anniversary of the start of construction thereafter. Each report shall cover the previous year to the date of report submission.

5.3. The Proponent shall submit annual compliance reports until all conditions are satisfied.

5.4. Once all conditions in this Notice of Approval have been satisfied, the Proponent shall notify the Director in writing that the final annual compliance report is being submitted, and that all conditions in this Notice of Approval have been satisfied. The Ministry will confirm whether all conditions have been satisfied and the Director will state this in writing to the Proponent.

5.5. The Proponent shall retain either on the Site or in another location approved by the Director, copies of the annual compliance reports for each reporting year and any associated documentation of compliance monitoring activities.

5.6. The Proponent shall make the compliance reports and associated documentation available to the Director or a designate in a timely manner when requested to do so by the Ministry.

In accordance with Condition 4, the GFL SCRF EA Compliance Monitoring Program (revised) was approved by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) on January 27, 2020.

1.2 Overview of the Annual Compliance Report

In accordance with Conditions 5.1 through 5.6 of the Minister's Approval, GFL is to report on the results of the EA Compliance Monitoring Program. The EA Annual Monitoring Reports are to cover the activities of the previous year to the date of report submission.

Consistent with the framework presented in the EA Compliance Monitoring Program, the EA Annual Compliance Report is composed of the following sections:

- Section 2 lists the nineteen commitments made by GFL during the SCRF EA that were documented in Section 8.3 of the SCRF EA Report as well as the Minister's EA Act Approval conditions that need to be satisfied.
- Section 3 lists all of the impact management measures and monitoring programs that are to be implemented as set out in Section 6 the SCRF EA Report. These impact management measures and monitoring programs must be implemented as part of fulfilling EA Commitments #1 and #2.
- Section 4 lists the additional approvals, authorizations and permits acquired beyond EA Act approval as documented in Section 9 of the SCRF EA Report.

Sections 2 through 4 of the EA Annual Compliance Report include compliance monitoring tables. The text in the columns under the **Compliance Monitoring Program** heading was included in the approved EA Compliance Monitoring Program. This text remains the same with each EA Annual Compliance Report.

In each of the tables, the following two columns are used to report on activities of the compliance reporting period:

- Status/Remarks allows for an update to be provided on where the fulfillment of the provision stands versus its planned implementation schedule.
- Compliance Achieved? (Yes or In Progress) allows for a "yes" or "in progress" response to be provided so compliance fulfillment can be easily tracked.

As per Conditions 5.5 and 5.6, copies of all Annual Monitoring Reports and any associated compliance documentation will be kept at the SCRF and will be made available to the Director or a designate upon request.

2. EA Commitments and EA Act Approval Conditions

Included in the following Table 2.1 are the following:

- Commitments made during the SCRF EA that need to be satisfied during implementation of the Undertaking, as documented in Section 8.3 of the SCRF EA Report.
- EA Act approval conditions that need to be satisfied during implementation of the Undertaking included in the Minister's Notice of Approval. Where an EA Act approval condition relates to an EA commitment, both have been included in the same row for compliance tracking purposes.

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Table 2.1SCRF EA Commitments and EA Conditions

Category	EA Comr	nitments		EA Act Approval Conditions	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedul
	EA Report Section	EA Commitment #	EA Commitment			(Estimate Timelines and Dates)
General	6.7	1	Implement the impact management measures as outlined in Table 6.37 (Section 6.7), unless they are determined and documented to be no longer applicable or required.	Condition #2 - General Requirements 2.1. The Proponent shall comply with the provisions in the Environmental Assessment, which are hereby incorporated into this Notice of Approval by reference, except as provided in	Confirm impact management measures have been implemented.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing an post-closure
	6.7, 8.1	2	Implement the monitoring programs as outlined in Table 6.37 (Section 6.7) and Section 8.1 unless they are determined and documented to be no longer applicable or required.	the conditions of this Notice of Approval and as	Confirm monitoring programs have been implemented.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing an post-closure
	8.2	3	Prepare an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) and/or Best Management Practice (BMP) Plans following approval of the proposed Undertaking. The EMP and/or BMP Plans will identify a description of the proposed impact management measures, commitments, and monitoring, as well as a description on the standard best management practices (BMPs) that are currently in place at the Site that will continue.	Condition #10 - Odour and Dust Management 10.1. Within 60 days from the date of approval, Odour and dust management plans will be provided to the City of Hamilton, the community liaison committee, Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, the Hamilton Wentworth Catholic School Board and any other interested party for a 30-day comment period prior to finalization. 10.2. Odour and dust management plans will include a complaints protocol and issues resolution mechanisms. 10.3. Upon finalization proponent shall post the odour and dust management plans to their website and submit to the Director.	Confirm EMP and/or BMP Plan(s) have been prepared prior to implementation of the Undertaking.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	8.2	4	Prepare a Compliance Monitoring Program following approval of the proposed Undertaking, which will include the commitments outlined in Section 8.3 as well as any EA Act conditions of approval. Report annually on how commitments have been fulfilled until all commitments are fulfilled.	Condition #4 - Compliance Monitoring Program 4.1. The proponent shall prepare and submit to the Director of the Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch (Director) for approval and for the public record, an Environmental Assessment compliance monitoring program. 4.2. The compliance monitoring program shall be submitted within 60 days from the Date of Approval, or by another date agreed upon by the Director. 4.3. The compliance monitoring program shall include a description of how the Proponent will: a. monitor implementation of the Undertaking in accordance with the Environmental Assessment with respect to mitigation measures, public consultation, and additional studies and work to be carried out;	Confirm Compliance Monitoring Program have been prepared prior to implementation of the Undertaking.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking

	Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
dule ind	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
f and	Please refer to Section 3.0	
f and	Please refer to Section 3.0	
f	The Odour and Dust Management Plans were provided to the City of Hamilton, the Community Liaison Committee, Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, and the Hamilton Wentworth Catholic School Board for a 30-day comment period prior to submission to the MECP. Comments were received from the MECP on April 3, 2020, and the Plans were resubmitted to on June 25, 2021. Further comments were received from the MECP on August 12, 2021. Comments have been addressed and the Plans were resubmitted on September 19, 2021 and posted on the SCRF website.	Yes
f	The Compliance Monitoring Program was approved by the MECP on January 27, 2020.	Yes

Compliance Program (as per approved Compliance Monitoring Program)			jram)				Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
Category	EA Comn EA Report Section	nitments EA Commitment #	EA Commitment	EA Act Approval Conditions	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule (Estimate Timelines and Dates)	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
				 b. monitor compliance with the conditions in this Notice of Approval; and, c. monitor compliance with all commitments made in the Environmental Assessment and the subsequent review of and approval process for the Environmental Assessment with respect to mitigation measures, public consultation, and additional studies and work to be carried out. 4.4. The compliance monitoring program must contain an implementation schedule for monitoring activities to be completed. 4.5. The Director may require the Proponent to amend the compliance monitoring program at any time. Should an amendment be required, the Director will notify the Proponent in writing of the required amendment and the date by which the Proponent must complete and submit the amendment to the Director. 4.6. The Proponent shall submit the amended compliance monitoring program to the Director. 4.7. Proponent shall implement the compliance 				
				 monitoring program and any amendments to it. Condition #5 - Compliance Reporting 5.1. The Proponent shall prepare an annual compliance report outlining the results of the compliance monitoring program (Condition 4 above) and place the document on the public record. 5.2. The first compliance report shall be submitted to the Director for review and for the public record no later than one year following the start of construction. Each subsequent annual compliance report shall be submitted on the date that is the anniversary of the start of construction thereafter. Each report shall cover the previous year to the date of report submission. 5.3. The Proponent shall submit annual compliance reports until all conditions are satisfied. 5.4. Once all conditions in this Notice of Approval have been satisfied, the Proponent shall notify the Director in writing that the final annual compliance report is being submitted, and that all conditions have been satisfied and the Director will state this in writing to the Proponent. 5.5. The Proponent shall retain either on the Site or in another location approved by the Director, copies of the annual compliance 			Annual Compliance Reports are being submitted to the MECP annually.	In Progress

ategory	EA Comn	nitments		EA Act Approval Conditions	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedu
	EA Report Section	EA Commitment #	EA Commitment			(Estimate Timelines an Dates)
				 associated documentation of compliance monitoring activities. 5.6 The Proponent shall make the compliance reports and associated documentation available to the Director or a designate in a timely manner when requested to do so by the Ministry. 		
	8.4	5	Review and modify existing contingency plans.	Not Applicable (N.A.)	Confirm contingency plans have been reviewed/modified prior to implementation of the Undertaking.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	9	6	Acquire all necessary permits/approvals, as outlined in Section 9.	N.A.	Confirm permits/approvals are obtained prior to implementation of the Undertaking.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	N.A.		·	Condition #11 - Duration of Approval 11.1. If construction of the Undertaking has not commenced within 5 years from the Date of Approval, this Notice of Approval shall expire.	If construction has not commenced within 2 years of the Date of Approval, confirm that a review of the Environmental Assessment has been completed and submitted to the Director for approval.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
Archaeology	N.A.			Condition #3 - Public Record 3.1. Where a document is required for the public record, the Proponent shall post the document on the Proponent website and provide one hardcopy and one electronic copy of the document to the Director. 3.2. The Environmental Assessment Reference Number 16067 and environmental assessment File Number 03-08-02 shall be quoted on all documents submitted to the Ministry pursuant to this Notice of Approval. 3.3. For every document submitted to the Ministry, the Proponent shall clearly identify which condition of approval the document is meant to fulfill.	Confirm that documents required for the public record have complied with conditions, as appropriate.	Upon submission of documents for the publ record
Archaeology	6.2.5.2	7	Should previously undocumented archaeological or indigenous resources be discovered during construction, will cease alteration of the Site immediately and engage a	N.A.	Confirm no previously undocumented archaeological or indigenous resources are discovered during construction.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking

	Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)				
dule nd	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)			
f	Contingency plans were updated and included as Condition 13.0 in the SCRF Amended Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) (A181008), issued on October 31, 2019.	Yes			
f	Refer to Section 4.0				
f	Construction on the Undertaking has commenced.	Yes			
blic	The following documents required for the public record were posted on the Proponent website (<u>www.gflstoneycreek.com</u>) Compliance Monitoring Program Complaint Protocol Truck Operations Monitoring Framework Odour and Dust Management Plans EA Annual Compliance Report (September 19, 2019, to September 19, 2020) EA Annual Compliance Report (September 19, 2020, to September 19, 2021) EA Annual Compliance Report (September 19, 2021) EA Annual Compliance Report (September 19, 2021, to September 19, 2022) The following documents required for the public record will be posted on the Proponent website when finalized: EA Annual Compliance Reports	In Progress			
f	No archaeological resources or indigenous resources were discovered during construction and during this annual compliance reporting period.	In Progress			

(as per appro		nce Monitoring Prog	gram)			
Category	EA Comr			EA Act Approval Conditions	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule (Estimate Timelines and
	EA Report Section	EA Commitment #	EA Commitment			Dates)
			licensed consultant archaeologist to carry out archaeological fieldwork, in compliance with Sec. 48 (1) of the Ontario Heritage Act. In accordance with the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Service Act, 2002 should Terrapure discover human remains, the police or coroner and the Registrar of Cemeteries, Ministry of Small Business and Consumer Services will be notified immediately.			
Human Health	6.5.3.2	8	Continue to undertake the Community Health Assessment Review as part of the Annual Monitoring Report for the SCRF.	N.A.	Verify annually that this review has been conducted.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing
Ongoing Consultation	7.12	9	Consult with review agencies through meetings and correspondence on an as-needed basis during design and construction to discuss issues related to their agencies' mandate, such as the permits and approvals identified in Section 9 required prior to construction or operation.	N.A.	Confirm permits and approvals have been obtained.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	7.12	10	Provide the Hamilton Conservation Authority with the Stormwater Management Plan post-approval during the Design Stage.	N.A.	Confirm the Hamilton Conservation Authority has received the Stormwater Management Plan.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	7.12	11	Re-calculate reasonable Use Criteria (RUC) values for the 2018 Annual Monitoring Report and provide to the City of Hamilton.	N.A.	Confirm updated RUC values are included in 2018 Annual Monitoring Report.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking, ongoing
	7.12	12	The potential visual screening measures presented in Section 6.2.2.1 will be finalized following approval of the Undertaking, and implemented, as appropriate.	N.A.	Confirm visual screening measures have been implemented, as appropriate.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking, ongoing
	7.12	13	Continue to consult and engage Indigenous communities involved during the SCRF EA (i.e. Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Six Nations of the Grand River First Nation, Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council, and Metis Nation of Ontario) as	Condition #7 - Consultation with Indigenous Communities 7.1. The Proponent shall prepare, in consultation with Indigenous communities, an Indigenous consultation plan that sets forth: a) How the Proponent will consult with Indigenous communities and provide them with	Confirm Indigenous Consultation plans are prepared in consultation with Indigenous communities.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing

	Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)			
edule and	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)		
of ng	The Community Health Assessment Review was completed and documented in the 2022 SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress		
of	Refer to Section 4.0			
of	No changes were made during this annual compliance reporting period to stormwater management at the facility. Once changes are planned, the Stormwater Management Plan will be circulated to Hamilton Conservation Authority for information.	In Progress		
of ng	Reasonable use criteria were addressed in the 2019 SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Reports, which were provided to the City as per Condition 3.3 of the Amended ECA.	Yes		
of ng	The existing berms were heightened and widened to provide additional visual screening as needed.	In Progress		
of Ig	The Indigenous Consultation Plan was approved by the MECP on April 17, 2020 and is being implemented.	In Progress		

Compliance Program

(as per approved Compliance Monitoring Program)

Category	EA Comr	nitments		EA Act Approval Conditions	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedul
	EA Report Section	EA Commitment #	EA Commitment			(Estimate Timelines and Dates)
			appropriate (e.g. notification of project updates, opportunity to participate in site tours, involvement in habitat restoration, circulation of Environmental Management Plan).	 opportunities to be involved in environmental monitoring activities. b) How the Proponent will notify Indigenous communities, using a notification protocol, if archaeological resources or Indigenous remains are encountered. c) How the Proponent will issue Notices and updates to Indigenous communities. 7.2. Within six (6) months from the date of approval or by such other date as may be agreed in writing by the Director, the Proponent shall submit the Indigenous consultation plan to the Director for approval with an outline of how the Proponent consulted on it as per condition 7.1 above. 7.3. Once the Director is satisfied with the Indigenous consultation plan, the Proponent shall implement the Indigenous consultation plan as approved. 		
	7.12	14	Diligently examine future requests by the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation for ongoing consultation following EA Act approval of the proposed Undertaking including but not limited to site tours and monitoring or habitat restoration, at the First Nations request.	N.A.	Confirm requests by the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation are diligently examined.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing
	7.12	15	Provide the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation with the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for their review and input, for Terrapure's consideration.	N.A.	Confirm the EMP is provided to the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation and comments are considered.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	7.12	16	Continue to release an annual report highlights for the operations of the SCRF.	N.A.	Verify in Annual Facility Reporting that these commitments have been fulfilled.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing
	7.12	17	Maintain the Community Liaison Committee (CLC) and utilize the existing CLC website for public communications about the Stoney Creek Regional Facility.	 Condition #8 - Community Liaison Committee (CLC) 8.1. The proponent shall maintain a Community Liaison Committee to provide a forum for public concerns to be raised and for mitigation measures to be discussed. 8.2. If there is no interest from the public in establishing and participating in a CLC (once sufficient notice has been given), or if there is no interest in continuing a CLC after one has been established, the Proponent shall publish a notice at least once a year inviting expressions of interest in forming the CLC. 	Confirm the CLC is maintained that that both local school boards and interested indigenous communities have been invited to be members.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing

	Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
edule and	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
of ng	No requests were received during this annual compliance reporting period.	In Progress
of	The Environmental Management Plan is in progress and will be circulated to the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation when complete.	In Progress
of ng	The 2022 SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report was submitted on June 30, 2023 and will continue to be submitted annually as per Condition 14.1 of the Amended ECA.	In Progress
of ng	The CLC was maintained during this annual compliance reporting period and will continue to be maintained as per Condition 3.0 of the Amended ECA. The City of Hamilton continues to be represented on the CLC. The Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, Hamilton Wentworth Catholic School Board and Indigenous communities involved during	In Progress

ategory	EA Comn	nitments		EA Act Approval Conditions	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule
	EA Report Section	EA Commitment #	EA Commitment			(Estimate Timelines and Dates)
	Section			 8.3. The CLC, as required, shall serve for the dissemination, review and exchange of information and monitoring results relevant to the undertaking. 8.4. The proponent shall ensure that the following agencies, communities and stakeholders are invited to join the community liaison committee as full members: a) Representatives from The City of Hamilton b) Interested Indigenous communities as identified in the Indigenous consultation plan c) Representatives from the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board d) Representatives from Hamilton Wentworth 		
				Catholic School Board		
	N.A.	18	Continue to consult with the City of Hamilton on the groundwater monitoring program as part of future annual monitoring.	N.A.	Confirm the City of Hamilton has been consulted on the groundwater monitoring program.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing
	N.A.	19	Prepare a Truck Operations Monitoring Framework describing proposed driver training and awareness strategies, in consultation with the City of Hamilton; and maintain the Framework during construction and operations of the SCRF.	Condition #9 - Truck Operations Monitoring 9.1. Within 60 days from the date of approval, a Truck Operations Monitoring Framework, as describe in the commitments of the EA, will be provided to the City of Hamilton for a 30-day comment period prior to finalization. Comments from the City will be considered prior to finalization of the Truck Operations Monitoring Framework. 9.2. The Truck Operations Monitoring Framework shall include a complaints protocol and issues resolution mechanisms. 9.3. After finalization of the Truck Operations Monitoring Framework the proponent shall post it on their website and provide copies to the City of Hamilton and the local district schools boards.	Confirm the Truck Operations Monitoring Framework has been prepared in consultation with the City and posted to the SCRF website.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing
	N.A.	1	1	Condition #6 - Complaint Protocol 6.1. The Proponent shall prepare and implement a complaint protocol that sets out provisions for dealing with and responding to inquiries and complaints during all stages of the Undertaking. The complaint protocol shall include a procedure for notifying the ministry of the complaints received.	Confirm a complaint protocol has been prepared and implemented during operation of the SCRF	Pre-implementation of the Undertaking; ongoing

	Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
hedule s and	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
	the EA were invited to participate in the CLC.	
n of ing	The City was consulted by the MECP during the preparation of the Amended ECA, which documents the groundwater monitoring program. As well, the City is circulated on the Annual Monitoring and Operations Reports, which document the groundwater monitoring program, as per Condition 3.3 of the Amended ECA.	In Progress
n of ing	The Truck Operations Monitoring Framework was approved by the MECP on August 12, 2021, was provided to the City of Hamilton, Hamilton Wentworth District School Board, and Hamilton Wentworth Catholic School Board on September 17, 2021, and is posted on the Proponent website (<u>www.gflstoneycreek.com</u>).	Yes
n of the ing	The Complaint Protocol was approved by the MECP on January 27, 2020, and is being implemented. A summary of complaints received in 2022 and how they were addressed is included in the Annual Monitoring and Operations Report, posted on the	In Progress

Compliance I (as per appro		nce Monitoring Proc	gram)				Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
Category	EA Comn	EA Commitments E		EA Act Approval Conditions	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule	Status/Remarks	Compliance
	EA Report Section	EA Commitment #	EA Commitment			(Estimate Timelines and Dates)		Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
				 6.2. The Proponent shall submit the complaint protocol to the Director for approval and for the public record within 60 days from the Date of Approval, or by another date agreed upon by the Director. 6.3. The Director may require the Proponent to amend the complaint protocol at any time. Should an amendment be required, the Director shall notify the proponent in writing of the amendment required and when the amendment must be completed. 6.4. The Proponent shall submit the amended complaint protocol to the Director. 6.5. The Proponent shall submit the amended complaint protocol and any amendments to it. 6.6. The Proponent shall provide a summary on the complaints received and how they were addressed as part of the annual compliance reporting (Condition 5) and post the summary on the website as part of the public record. 			proponent website (<u>www.gflstoneycreek.com</u>). As per the 2022 Annual Monitoring and Operations Report, GFL responded to five odour complaints concerning operations. All complaints were investigated by GFL and addressed. The complaints were discussed with the CLC at their meetings, of which the MECP is a member.	

3. Impact Management Measures and Monitoring Commitments

As part of the SCRF EA, impact management measures were identified for addressing potential adverse environmental effects associated with implementing the Undertaking. Similarly, where appropriate, monitoring programs were proposed to ensure the following:

- That the predicted net negative effects are not exceeded
- That any unexpected negative effects are addressed
- That the predicted benefits are realized

As part of fulfilling EA Commitment #s 1 and 2 (as listed in Table 2.1), GFL is responsible for implementing the impact management measures and monitoring programs identified as outlined in Table 6.37 (Section 6.7) of the SCRF EA Report, unless it is determined and documented that an impact management measures or monitoring programs is no longer applicable or required. As such, **Table 3.1** lists each of the impact management measures and monitoring programs that were identified in the SCRF EA Report, for future compliance tracking.

As noted in Section 1.2 the following two columns are included in Table 3.1 for compliance monitoring reporting:

- Status/Remarks allows for an update to be provided on where the fulfillment of the provision stands versus its planned implementation schedule.
- Compliance Achieved? (Yes or In Progress) allows for a "yes" or "in progress" response to be provided so compliance fulfillment can be easily tracked.

Table 3.1 Compliance Monitoring of Impact Management Measures and Monitoring Programs

Compliance Program (as per approved Compliance	e Monitoring Program)			Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
Environmental Component/Criteria	Impact Management Measures and Monitoring Programs	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule (Estimate Timelines and Dates)	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress
Geology and Hydrogeology	Impact Management Measures Maintain and expand the existing environmental controls incorporated in the landfill design including: Extend existing 3 m thick double liner system Extraction well M4 will be maintained and operated for the purpose of collecting potentially impacted groundwater from closed west landfill and maintain inward gradients for the Preferred Landfill Footprint Construction of the network of groundwater collection trenches is completed beneath the liner system as landfill cells are constructed (as per the existing design	Confirm environmental controls were incorporated into the landfill design as specified.	Construction and ongoing	Appropriate environmental controls were incorporated into the final detailed design of the Phase 9 Base Liner System and Groundwater Collection System, as approved in Schedule A of the Amended ECA. Construction on the network of groundwater collection trenches is being completed beneath the liner system as the landfill cells are constructed as per the existing design and in accordance with the appropriate environmental controls.	In Progress
	Maintain an inward gradient across the liner system through flooding the Hydraulic Control Layer.	Confirm Hydraulic Control Layer is maintained.	Construction and ongoing	Appropriate hydraulic controls were incorporated into the final detailed design of the Phase 9 Base Liner System, as approved in Schedule A of the Amended ECA.	In Progress
	Monitoring Programs Continuation of long-term groundwater quality and quantity and leachate monitoring program. Long-term monitoring will include a sampling program for existing points around the site, as well as the Hydraulic Control Layer.	Continue to document groundwater monitoring program in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Ongoing and post-closure	The results of the groundwater monitoring program are documented annually in the SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress
urface Water	Impact Management Measures The existing stormwater management pond will be altered to provide adequate storage for quality and quantity control during construction/ operation to remove TSS and to contain the 2-year through 100-year storms. The alterations include: additional ditches along the north and west perimeter of the Site converting the current SWM detention pond into a second forebay re-grading the future detention pond to increase the depth and surface area of the pond	Confirm alterations to the existing stormwater management pond are made, as required.	Construction and ongoing	No changes were made during this annual compliance reporting period to the stormwater management pond.	In Progress
	Stormwater from the pond will not be released to surface water body (i.e., storm sewer system that drains into Davis Creek) until testing determines all parameters have been met to discharge. Contingency measures include "status quo", which is to discharge stormwater to sanitary sewer for treatment at the City's water pollution control plant.	Confirm testing of stormwater before it is discharged to a surface water body, if applicable.	Ongoing	Stormwater continues to be discharged to the sanitary sewer as documented in the 2022 SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress
	Monitoring Programs Continuation of surface water monitoring program including surface water sampling and annual inspections of the SWM ponds.	Continue to document surface water monitoring program in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Ongoing and post-closure	The results of the surface water monitoring program are documented annually in the SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress
errestrial and Aquatic	Impact Management Measures Conduct any vegetation removal activities outside of the breeding bird window (i.e., no removals between late March - late August). Retain vegetation and compensate for vegetation loss to the extent possible (e.g., create pollinator habitat in buffer areas)	Confirm that removal of vegetation occurs out outside of the breeding bird window and document when vegetation removal activities occur. Confirm that vegetation loss is compensated for.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; Construction and ongoing; and post-closure	There was no observed evidence of vegetation cutting or harvest at the Sinclairville compensation habitat or at the SCRF site. Vegetation at the SCRF site has progressed since the 2022	In Progress

ivironmental omponent/Criteria	Impact Management Measures and Monitoring Programs	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule (Estimate Timelines and Dates)
	Incorporate graminoid meadow habitats into the closure landscape plan	Confirm landscape plan includes graminoid meadow habitats.	Post-closure Planning
	Implement BMPs including:	Confirm Environmental Management Plan includes	Construction and ongoing
	Use of dust suppressants	appropriate BMPs.	
	Installation of protective fencing (where required)		
	Conduct a nest survey of on-Site facilities and infrastructure prior to relocation or removal of structures to mitigate impacts to bird species which may use anthropogenic structures for nesting. If nests are found, consult a biologist/MNRF for further direction.		
	Any wildlife incidentally encountered during Site operation activities will not be knowingly harmed and will be allowed to move away from the area on its own.		
	In the event that an animal encountered during Site operation activities does not move from the area, or is injured, the Site Supervisor and MNRF will be notified.		
	In the event that the animal is a known or suspected SAR, the Site Supervisor will contact MNRF SAR biologists for advice.		
	Include naturalized landscape features into the stormwater management facilities design (e.g. wet meadows, emergent robust vegetation, shallow slope)		
	Consult with MNRF to determine specific requirements (e.g. habitat enhancement and/or creation requirements) of the Notice of Activity process related to the presence of eastern meadowlark to avoid contravention of the provincial Endangered Species Act.	Confirm appropriate consultation requirements associated with Notice of Activity process have been undertaken.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	Incorporate graminoid meadow habitats into the closure landscape plan. As part of the Notice of Activity process, a Habitat Management Plan will be created and	Confirm the Habitat Management Plan is created and implemented prior to the initiation of any construction.	
	implemented prior to the initiation of any construction. This plan which will document the areas to be affected and detail where and how new habitat will be created or enhanced.		
	Install ESC measures to mitigate impacts to water quality and to act as wildlife exclusion fencing prior to construction, and maintain them appropriately throughout landfill	Confirm erosion sediment control measures are	Construction and ongoing
	construction and operation.	implemented and maintained throughout the construction and operation of the landfill.	
	Characterize use of on-Site aquatic features by fish and wildlife prior to modification/removal. Obtain necessary approvals for/complete fish/wildlife rescue activities prior to initiation of any in-water works, as appropriate.	Confirm the necessary approvals for the fish/wildlife rescue activities are obtained prior to initiation of any in-water works.	Construction
	Monitoring Programs Regular monitoring and regular inspections of dual purpose ESC and wildlife exclusion	Confirm regular monitoring and regular inspections of wildlife exclusion fencing occurs.	Construction and ongoing
	fencing.	Confirm the vegetation monitoring program is carried out as stipulated in the EMP.	

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edule and	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
	growing season, especially in downslope portions of Section 3, making this area of Section 3 suitable for eastern meadowlark habitat. Vegetation cutting may have occurred at the compensation habitat after July 31, which is an acceptable time to remove vegetation as identified within the Habitat Management Plan (GHD 2019) Vegetation monitoring occurred at the SCRF and the offsite compensation habitat on May 25 th , June 6 th , and June 20 th . 2023.	
ng	The post-closure planning process has not commenced.	In Progress
going	The Environmental Management Plan is in progress.	In Progress
of	The Notice of Activity was filed with the MECP (M-102-1332842934) and the Habitat Management Plan was prepared to support the Notice of Activity (Dated November 1, 2019).	Yes
going	Wildlife exclusion fencing and ESC measures were installed around stormwater management pond in 2019.	Yes
	No fish/wildlife rescue activities were undertaken during this compliance reporting period.	Yes
going	Regular monitoring and inspections of wildlife exclusion fencing have taken place since they were installed around the	In Progress

Compliance Program (as per approved Complia	ance Monitoring Program)			Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
Environmental Component/Criteria	Impact Management Measures and Monitoring Programs	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule (Estimate Timelines and Dates)	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
	Vegetation monitoring program (i.e. seed mix verification, plant survivorship monitoring, invasive species management). Monitoring requirements as outlined and specified under Notice of Activity Species at	Confirm monitoring requirements as outlined and specified under the Notice of Activity Species at Risk (SAR) permit occur as required.		stormwater management pond in 2019.	
	Risk (SAR) permit.			The vegetation monitoring program was carried out on 25 th May, 6 th June, and 20 th June 2023 and takes place on an ongoing basis.	
				Monitoring activity in the 2023 season as outlined under the Notice of Activity includes three separate breeding bird surveys (BBS) events. The BBS events were completed in conjunction with the vegetation monitoring as mentioned above (May 25 th , June 6 th , and June 20 th , 2023). The BBS was completed to determine habitat use by eastern meadowlark and other avian fauna.	
Atmospheric	Impact Management Measures Implementation of dust mitigation plan for all phases of the site operations, which will include: Paving Site access roads (entry and exit) within the buffer area, including any roads which do not cross active or closed portions of the landfill	Confirm dust mitigation plan is implemented as specified.	Construction and ongoing	Appropriate impact management measures are included in the Dust Management Plan, which was resubmitted to the MECP on September 19, 2021.	In Progress
	Use of road watering on paved and unpaved roads, to minimize dust generation on-Site Minimizing the level of daily activity, or increasing dust mitigation activities, when operations are near the fenceline			Annual Monitoring and Operations Report, the following dust mitigation measures have been implemented:	
	Continued use of the wheel-washing station near the Site exit, to reduce track-out of material from the Site onto First Road West			Continued use of a sweeper, water truck and automated	
	Limit on-site vehicles to no more than 30 km/hr	Confirm that Site's current posted speed limit of 15 km/hr is maintained.	Construction and ongoing	wheel wash. A hand wand system or an independent mobile wash company is utilized	
	Progressive capping and re-vegetation to eliminate windblown dust	Confirm capping and re-vegetation of the Site occurs, as appropriate.	Ongoing	when the automated facility is not in operation due to weather or maintenance situations.	
	Logging of complaints and investigation into contribution(s) of the Site to local air quality (including odour) issues.	Confirm complaint protocol is developed.	Ongoing	On site speed limit of 30 km/h All current roads have been paved with asphalt	
				Air quality monitoring, , including airborne PM ₁₀ and local meteorological conditions	
	Monitoring Programs Continuation of monitoring station specifically to monitor for airborne PM ₁₀ and local meteorological conditions (for investigating the likely source(s) of air quality and odour complaints). This station will continue to operate through the lifetime of the Facility. A semi-annual noise monitoring will be undertaken through the lifetime of the Facility.	Confirm air quality monitoring is carried out as per the EMP and is documented in the Annual Monitoring Report. Confirm semi-annual noise monitoring is carried out as per the EMP and is documented in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Ongoing	The results of the air quality and noise monitoring programs are documented annually in the SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress
and Use	Impact Management Measures Impact management measures for existing land uses are applicable to potential nuisance related effects due to on-site construction/operation:	Confirm impact management measures related to existing land uses, viewsheds and nuisance reduction are implemented and are successful through reviewing	Ongoing	Appropriate land use impact management measures were incorporated into the SCRF conceptual design as included in	In Progress

Compliance Program (as per approved Complia	nce Monitoring Program)			Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)	
Environmental Component/Criteria	Impact Management Measures and Monitoring Programs	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule (Estimate Timelines and Dates)	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress
	Maintain buffers for nuisance reduction	all complaints received and taking into consideration		the Amended ECA. Confirmatory	
	Basic landfill operations for nuisance mitigation	feedback received at CLC meetings.		monitoring programs are	
	In effect BMPs for nuisance mitigation	Continue to document confirmatory monitoring programs in the Annual Monitoring Report.		documented annually in the SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report	
	Maintaining the existing screening berms and fencing will assist with visual screening from residential areas, but will not be able to mitigate views completely.	Confirm that screening guards are implemented, where appropriate.	Ongoing	The existing berms were heightened and widened to	In Progress
	Additional screening guards and, where possible, native vegetation can be implemented to mitigate views for sensitive receptors and may include traditional berms, vegetation, fencing with privacy screen or vegetation, mechanically stabilized earth berms, and/or freestanding green walls. Progressive capping of the landfill will assist in revegetating areas of the Site to create a			provide additional visual screening as needed. This addition of visual screening will be incorporated into the detailed design for approval by the MECP, as per Condition 4.0 of	
	natural look.			the Amended ECA.	
	Monitoring Programs The current environmental monitoring programs identified for groundwater, leachate, surface water, air and noise as well as existing and proposed BMPs will continue over the life of the Site. Existing methods and protocols may need to be amended periodically to accurately reflect Site conditions. Confirmatory monitoring programs will continue to be documented in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Confirm that monitoring is carried out as per the EMP and is documented in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Ongoing	The results of the monitoring programs are documented annually in the SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress
	Visual mitigation measures including vegetation and fencing will be maintained and monitored in accordance to the site's operating plan.				
Human Health	Impact Management Measures Implementation of dust mitigation plan and ongoing monitoring/assessment Implementation of design/operations relative to leachate management, groundwater quality, surface water quality and air quality will mitigate human health effects	Confirm dust mitigation plan is implemented as specified and that ongoing monitoring/assessment continues as per the EMP.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking and ongoing	Appropriate impact management measures are included in the Dust Management Plan.	In Progress
	accordingly.			The monitoring process involves the use of a water truck to keep dust down while monitoring wind conditions. GFL is continually applying capping and vegetating the capping with hydro seeding.	
	Monitoring Programs Continued operation of the existing air quality monitoring station specifically to monitor airborne PM_{10} concentrations is required to demonstrate ongoing efficacy of particulate impact management measures on the Site.	Confirm the air monitoring program continues as specified in the EMP and is documented in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Ongoing	The results of the air quality monitoring programs are documented annually in the SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress
Economic	Impact Management Measures Impact management measures for approved/planned land uses within the Local Study Area are only applicable to potential nuisance related effects due to on-Site construction and operations:	Confirm best management practice have been specified in the EMP.	Pre-implementation of the Undertaking	Appropriate impact management measures were incorporated into the SCRF conceptual design as included in the Amended ECA.	In Progress
	Encourage Surrounding Land Use Development			The results of the monitoring programs are documented	
	Encourage buffers for nuisance reduction			annually in the SCRF Annual	
	Encourage minimum setback distances for residential development			Monitoring and Operations	
	Basic landfill operations for nuisance mitigation BMPs for nuisance mitigation.			Report.	
Archaeology and Built	Impact Management Measures	Confirm that if archaeological or indigenous resources	Construction	No archaeological or indigenous	In Progress
leritage	During construction, should previously undocumented archaeological or indigenous resources be discovered, alterations at the Site will cease immediately and will engage a licensed consultant archaeologist to carry out archaeological fieldwork, in compliance with Sec. 48 (1) of the Ontario Heritage Act. In accordance with the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Service Act, 2002 should Terrapure discover human remains, the police or	are discovered that all construction activities cease and a licensed consultant archaeologist is retained.		resources were discovered during construction activities during this compliance reporting period.	

Compliance Program (as per approved Compliar	nce Monitoring Program)		
Environmental Component/Criteria	Impact Management Measures and Monitoring Programs	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedul (Estimate Timelines and Dates)
	coroner and the Registrar of Cemeteries, Ministry of Small Business and Consumer Services will be notified immediately.		
Design and Operations	 Impact Management Measures Design of new base liner system will integrate seamlessly with existing base liner system and use one leachate pumping station. Establish new connection to sanitary sewer. Maintain uniform shape and contours of the residual material area. Design of new stormwater management system will integrate seamlessly with existing stormwater management system by maintaining the current approved location and general layout of the stormwater pond. Extension of perimeter drainage ditches to accommodate new residual material area. Maintain existing stormwater outlet to storm sewer. Design of new groundwater management system will integrate seamlessly with existing groundwater management system. Extend groundwater collection trenches to accommodate new residual material area. Maintain existing stormwater outlet to storm sewer. Design of new groundwater management system. Extend groundwater collection trenches to accommodate new residual material area. Maintain existing location of groundwater outlet. Establish new connection to sanitary sewer. Continue acceptance of waste types that do not decompose and generate significant quantities of gas. Maintain MECP exemption from the requirement to have a gas collection system. Design of new base liner system to integrate seamlessly with existing base liner system. Maintain design and function of existing systems (leachate, stormwater, groundwater, gas) and infrastructure (access, roads, weigh scale, wheel wash). Design of new final cover system to integrate seamlessly with existing final cover system. 	Ensure the elements are incorporated into the design of the Site as specified.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking
	allow for flexibility of potential end uses. Monitoring Programs The current environmental monitoring programs identified for groundwater, leachate, surface water, air, noise, terrestrial and aquatic, as well as existing and proposed BMPs will continue over the life of the Site. Existing methods and protocols may need to be amended periodically to accurately reflect Site conditions. Confirmatory monitoring programs will continue to be documented in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Confirm environmental monitoring programs, as specified in the EMP are implemented and documented as required. Continue to document confirmatory monitoring programs in the Annual Monitoring Report.	Ongoing and post-closu

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lule nd	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)
	Appropriate design and operations impact management measures were incorporated into the SCRF conceptual design as included in the Amended ECA and will be incorporated into the final detailed design for Major Works for approval by the MECP, as per Condition 4.0 of the Amended ECA.	Yes
sure	The results of the monitoring programs are documented annually in the SCRF Annual Monitoring and Operations Report.	In Progress

4. Additional Environmental Approvals and Permits

In addition to requiring *EA Act* approval, municipal and provincial approvals and permits are required in order to implement the Undertaking. These approvals and permits were identified in Section 9 of the GFL SCRF EA Report. **Table 4.1** lists each of the approvals and permits for compliance tracking.

As noted in Section 1.2 the following two columns are included in **Table 4.1** that will be completed as part of future compliance monitoring reporting:

- Status/Remarks allows for an update to be provided on where the fulfillment of the provision stands versus its planned implementation schedule.
- Compliance Achieved? (Yes or In Progress) allows for a "yes" or "in progress" response to be provided so compliance fulfillment can be easily tracked

 Table 4.1
 Approvals and Permits Compliance Monitoring

Compliance Program (as per approved Compliance Monitoring Program)			Compliance Reporting (as of September 19, 2023)		
Applicable Approval/Permit	Evidence of Compliance	Implementation Schedule (Estimate Timelines and Dates)	Status/Remarks	Compliance Achieved? (Yes/In Progress)	
City of Hamilton					
Zoning By-law Amendment from ME-1 (Extractive Industrial) to Open Space/Parkland During Post-closure.	Confirm Zoning By-law Amendment is obtained.	Post-closure	The post-closure planning process has not commenced.	In Progress	
Amendments to the existing sewer use agreement would be needed if any modifications are proposed to the leachate discharged from the SCRF.	If required, confirm amendments to the existing sewer use agreement with the City has been approved.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking	No amendments were made to the existing sewer use agreement with the City. Preliminary discussions have been held to establish a new sanitary sewer connection and agreement.	In Progress	
Hamilton Conservation Authority		1			
Possible approvals may be required related to the alterations to the drainage within the Hamilton Conservation Authority Regulated Area related to the proposed stormwater management ponds.	Confirm that appropriate Hamilton Conservation Authority approvals have been obtained.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking	No changes to the stormwater management ponds were proposed during this reporting period. Once changes are planned, appropriate approvals from the Hamilton Conservation Authority will be obtained.	In Progress	
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks		1			
Environmental Compliance Approval Amendment.	Confirm ECA amendment has been approved by MECP.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing	The Amended ECA was issued by the MECP on October 31, 2019	Yes	
If required re-apply for an exemption to the requirement to have a landfill gas collection system under O.Reg. 232/98	If required, confirm exemption is obtained.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking	An exemption was not required during this compliance reporting period.	In Progress	
Amendment to existing ECA 5400-7DSSHU for Industrial Sewage Works should changes be required to the approved on-Site stormwater management system.	If required, confirm amendment has been approved by MECP.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing	No changes to the stormwater management ponds were proposed during this reporting period. Once changes are planned, appropriate approvals will be obtained.	In Progress	
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry		·		·	
Notice of Activity process will be followed in compliance with the Endangered Species Act if required to acknowledge the presence of eastern meadowlark habitat within the Site Study Area	Confirm Notice of Activity process is followed, if required.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking; ongoing	The works were registered with the MECP as part of the Notice of Activity process (M-102-1332842934).	Yes	
Necessary approvals for fish/wildlife rescue activities (e.g., MNRF License to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes) will be obtained prior to initiation of any in-water works at the SCRF, as appropriate	Confirm approvals for fish/wildlife rescue activities are obtained, if required.	Pre-implementation of Undertaking	No fish/wildlife rescue activities were required during this compliance reporting period.	In Progress	



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