



Strada Aggregates Inc. Announces Closure of Formal Comment Period for Melancthon Pit and Quarry Licence Application

Melancthon, ON – November 10, 2025 – Strada Aggregates Inc., a leading supplier of high-quality aggregate materials across the Greater Toronto Area, today announced the closure of the formal public comment period for its Class A licence application under Ontario's Aggregate Resources Act (ARA). The 60-day consultation period, which began on September 11, 2025, and was posted on the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO), officially ended on November 10, 2025.

The application seeks approval to establish and operate a quarry within the footprint of an existing licensed pit in the Township of Melancthon, with an extraction area of 123.7 hectares and an annual capacity of up to 2,000,000 tonnes.

This project builds on decades of responsible aggregate production at the site while supporting sustainable infrastructure development in the region through the supply of essential materials, all while prioritizing environmental stewardship and community engagement.

"This application reflects three years of proactive consultation, technical peer reviews, and direct collaboration with community groups, local residents, and stakeholders," said Mario Pietrolungo, VP of Strada Aggregates. "We are grateful to everyone who contributed during the formal comment period and throughout the pre-submission process. Your insights have been instrumental in refining our plans to meet the highest standards of environmental protection, agricultural compatibility, water resource management, and progressive rehabilitation."

Strada Aggregates received a diverse range of submissions through the ERO, reflecting concerns and recommendations on land use, haul routes, rehabilitation, and environmental safeguards.

The company remains committed to addressing all feedback transparently and collaboratively as part of the ongoing ARA process.

Next Steps in the Aggregate Resources Act Application Process

As the formal comment period concludes, Strada Aggregates will proceed with the following key steps in the ARA application review, in accordance with Ontario Regulation 244/97 and guidance from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF):

1. **Review and Respond to Comments:** Strada will thoroughly analyze all submitted comments and prepare responses. Where possible, the company will engage directly with commenters to resolve concerns and incorporate feedback into the application. Written confirmations of resolution will be sought from objectors, as required under ARA Provincial Standards.
2. **Submit Final Application Materials to MNRF:** Any revisions based on consultation feedback will be compiled and resubmitted to the Ministry. This includes updates to the site plan, Summary Statement, and technical reports covering hydrogeology, traffic impacts, noise, dust, and rehabilitation plans.
3. **Ministry Review and Technical Assessment:** The MNRF will conduct a detailed evaluation of the complete application, including peer reviews from relevant agencies (e.g., conservation

authorities, local municipalities). This phase ensures compliance with ARA policies on resource conservation, environmental protection, and progressive rehabilitation.

4. Decision and Issuance: Upon completion of the review, the Ministry will issue a decision on the licence. If approved, conditions will be outlined for operations, monitoring, and site rehabilitation to a productive after-use compatible with the surrounding landscape.

Strada Aggregates remains dedicated to open communication throughout this process. Community members are encouraged to visit www.stradaquarry.com for project updates, or contact the project team with any questions.

For more information on the ARA application process, visit the Environmental Registry of Ontario at ero.ontario.ca/notice/025-1005.