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Mount Forest Drainage Study

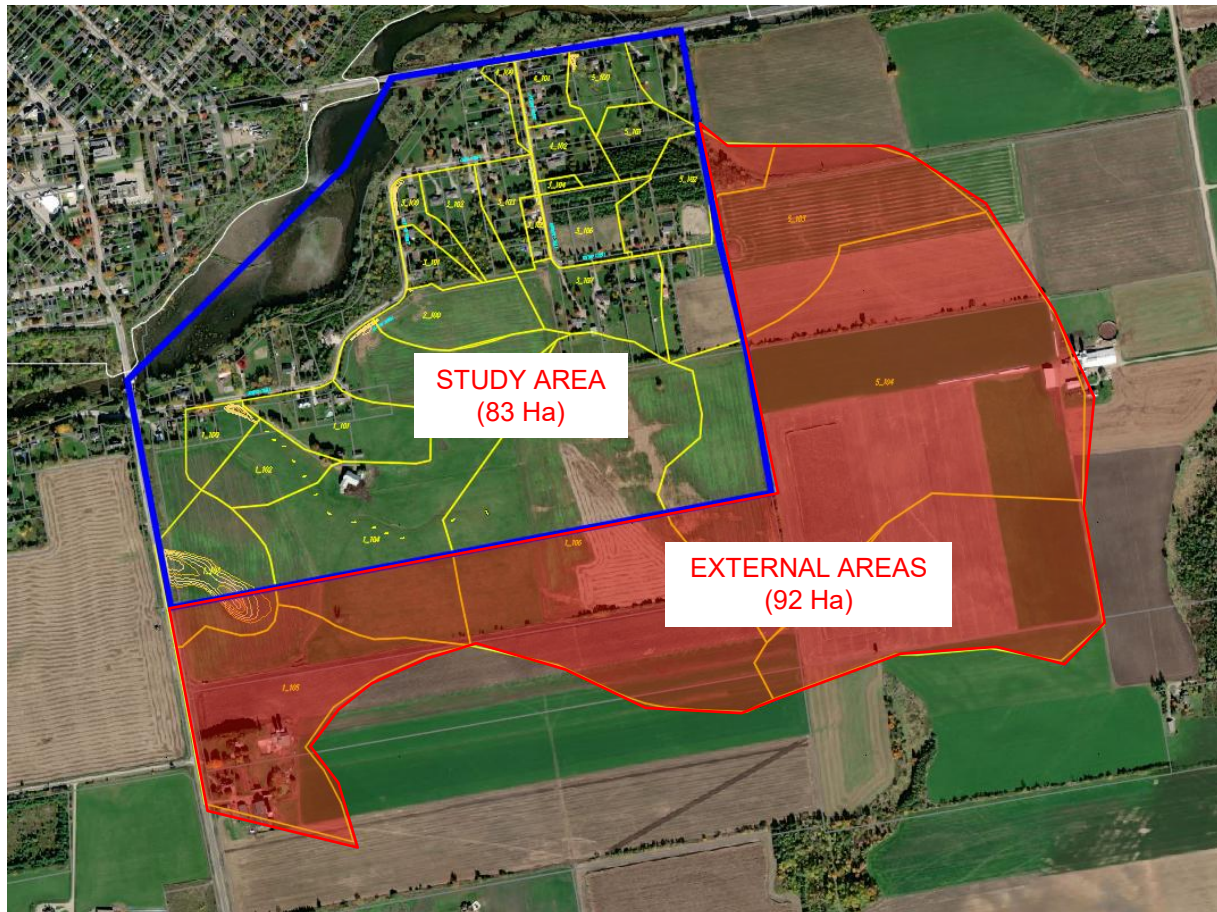
AREA EAST OF MAIN STREET SOUTH (HWY 6) AND
SOUTH OF SOUTH SAUGEEN RIVER

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- ▶ Study Area consists of:
 - ▶ Areas within urban boundary of Mount Forest located south of South Saugeen River and east of Main Street South – **83 Ha**
 - ▶ Any external drainage areas which flow into the Study Area – **92 Ha**

Study Goals

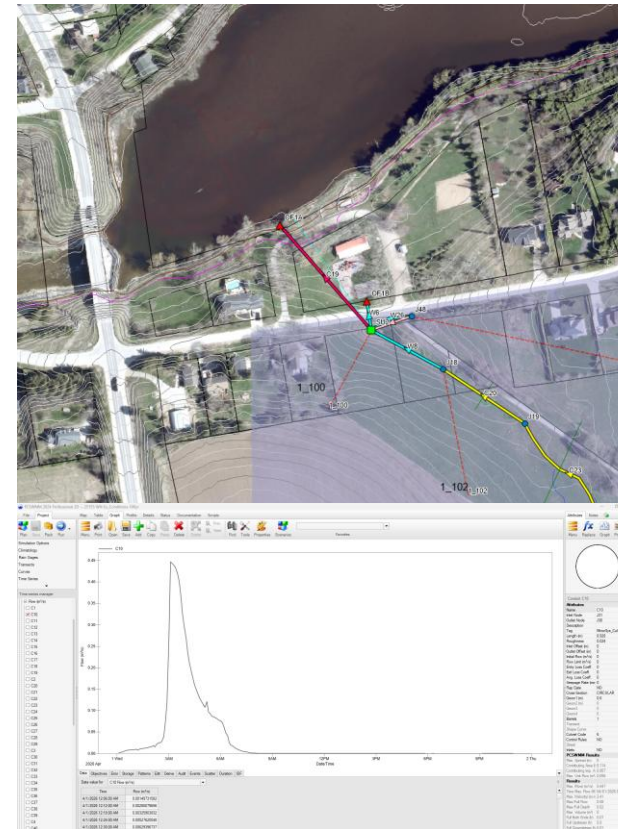
- ▶ Use stormwater modelling software to assess Township drainage infrastructure within the Study Area and compare performance to Township standards
- ▶ Identify infrastructure that does not meet Township standards
- ▶ Identify drainage conditions that, while meeting Township standards, exhibit limited resilience or may be sensitive to operational and maintenance factors
- ▶ Develop and evaluate potential solutions to address identified deficiencies and improve overall drainage system performance

Study Exclusion – Condition Assessment

- ▶ We did not Conduct a detailed physical condition assessment of all Township infrastructure in the Study Area. The modelling assumes that the Township infrastructure is in good working order.
- ▶ If we did observe damaged infrastructure in the field during site visit(s), this was noted and will be discussed

Stormwater Modelling - PCSWMM

- ▶ PCSWMM is a widely used engineering software program for analyzing stormwater drainage system
- ▶ The software simulates how rainfall runoff moves through ditches, culverts, storm sewers, and other drainage infrastructure
- ▶ By comparing simulated flows and water levels against available system capacity, potential drainage issues can be identified and evaluated
- ▶ The model can also be used to assess the effectiveness of potential improvements before construction is undertaken



PCSWMM – Existing Conditions Model

► **Model Inputs**

- Aerial Imagery
- LIDAR Digital Elevation Model (DEM) Data
- Field Survey Data at Select Locations

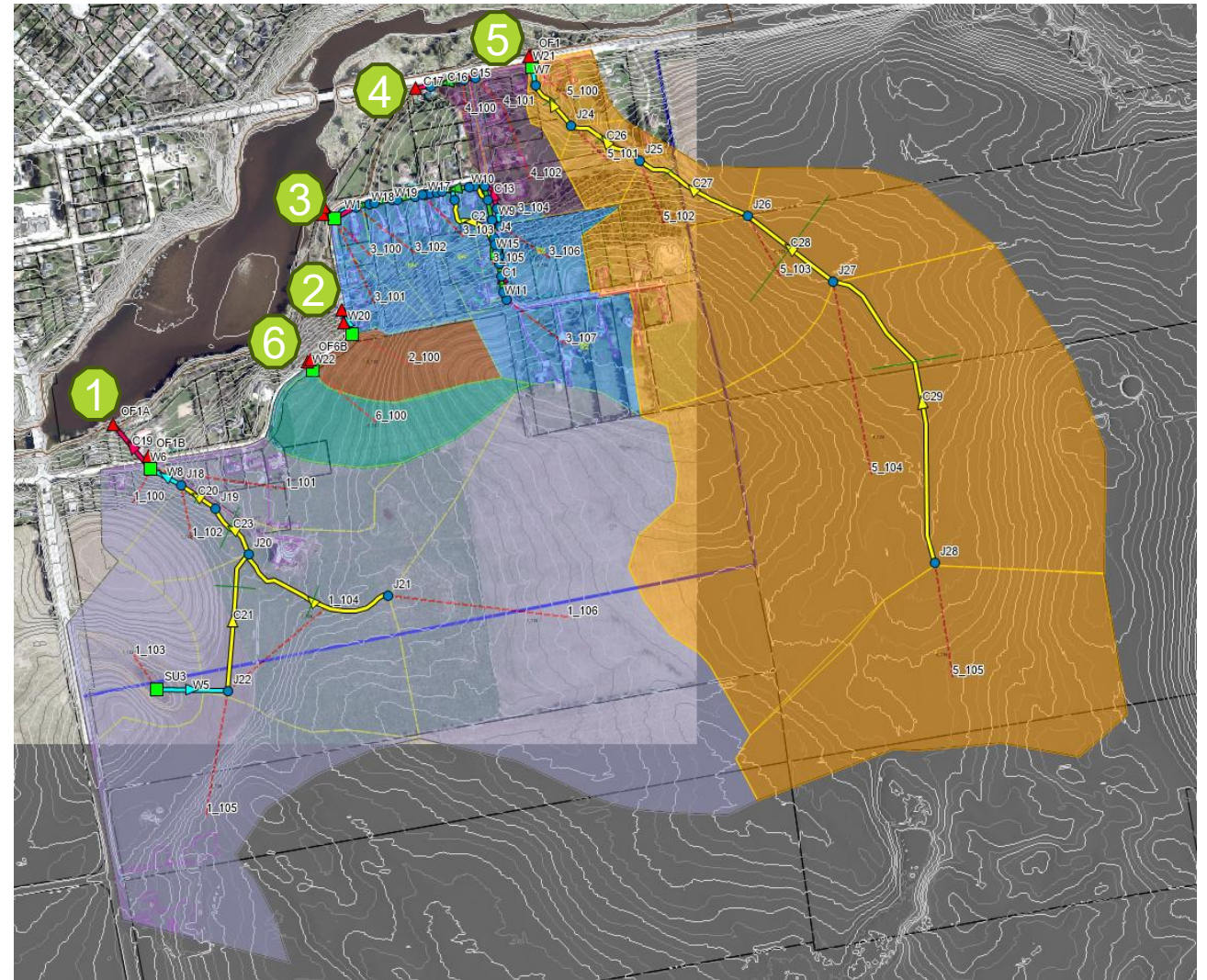
► **Model Construction**

- Define drainage elements (ditches, culverts, sewers)
- Define drainage catchments (determine which areas drain to which drainage elements)
- Assign rainfall data to the catchments

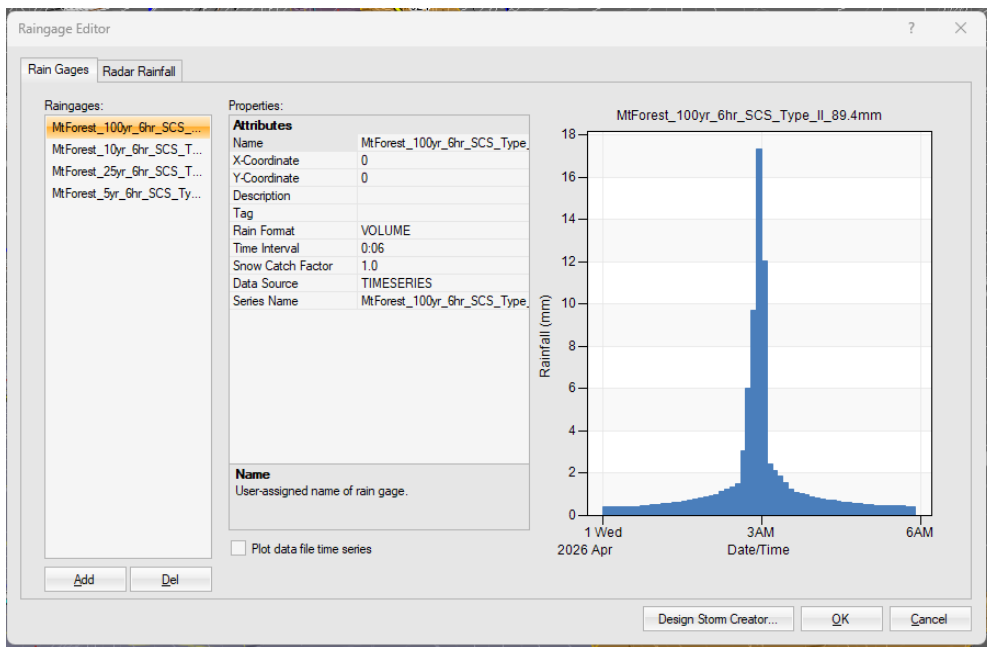
The overall drainage area was broken into 6 distinct catchments with 6 distinct outlets:

1. Murphy Street – at park (64 Ha)
750mm Culvert Outlet
2. Murphy/Glasgow bend (3 Ha)
450mm Culvert Outlet
3. Glasgow/Clyde bend (12 Ha)
900mm Culvert Outlet
4. Queen St – south side (3 Ha)
600mm Culvert Outlet
5. Queen St – north side (73 Ha)
1200mm Culvert Outlet
6. Murphy St – 80m w. of Glasgow (4 Ha)
450mm Culvert Outlet

Ex. Conditions Model Drainage Divisions



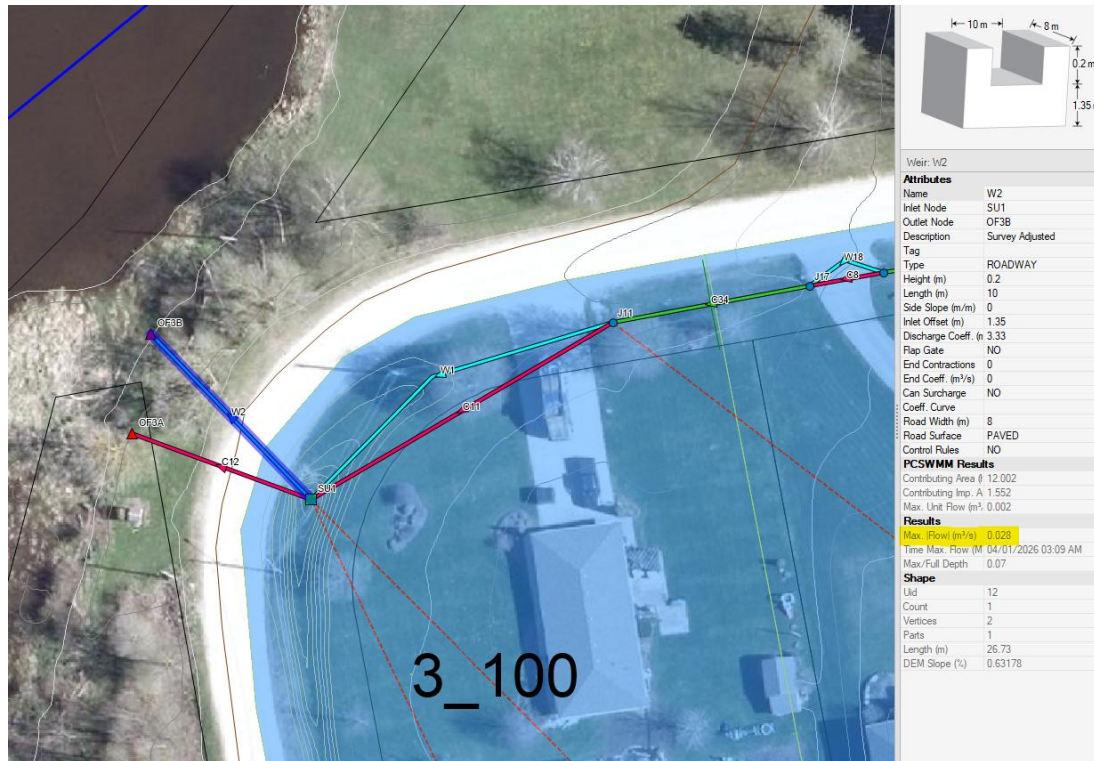
PCSWMM Model – Design Storms



► Rainfall Events Modelled:

- 5 yr (54mm in 6 hrs)
- 10 yr (62mm in 6 hrs)
- 25 yr (73mm in 6 hrs)
- 100 yr (89mm in 6 hrs)

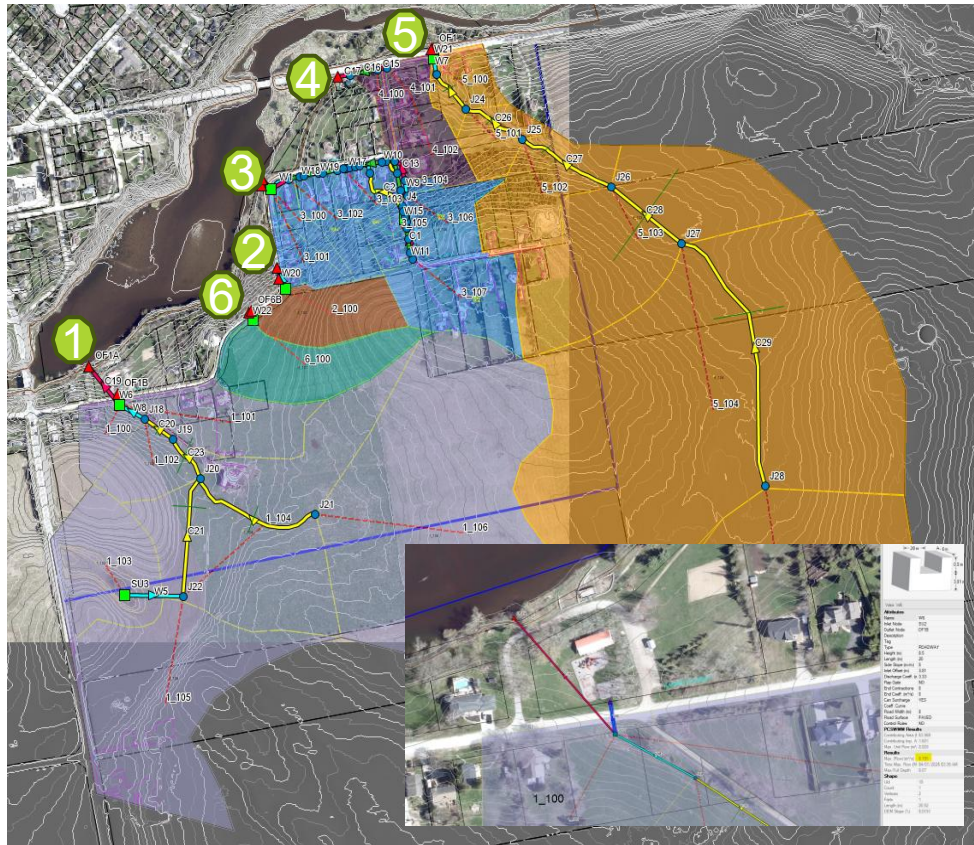
Model Results Evaluation Criteria (Based on Township MSS)



- ▶ Driveway culverts to convey 10 yr storm without overtopping
- ▶ Road crossing culverts to convey 25 yr storm without overtopping
- ▶ 100 yr storm to be conveyed without causing property damage

Existing Conditions Model Results

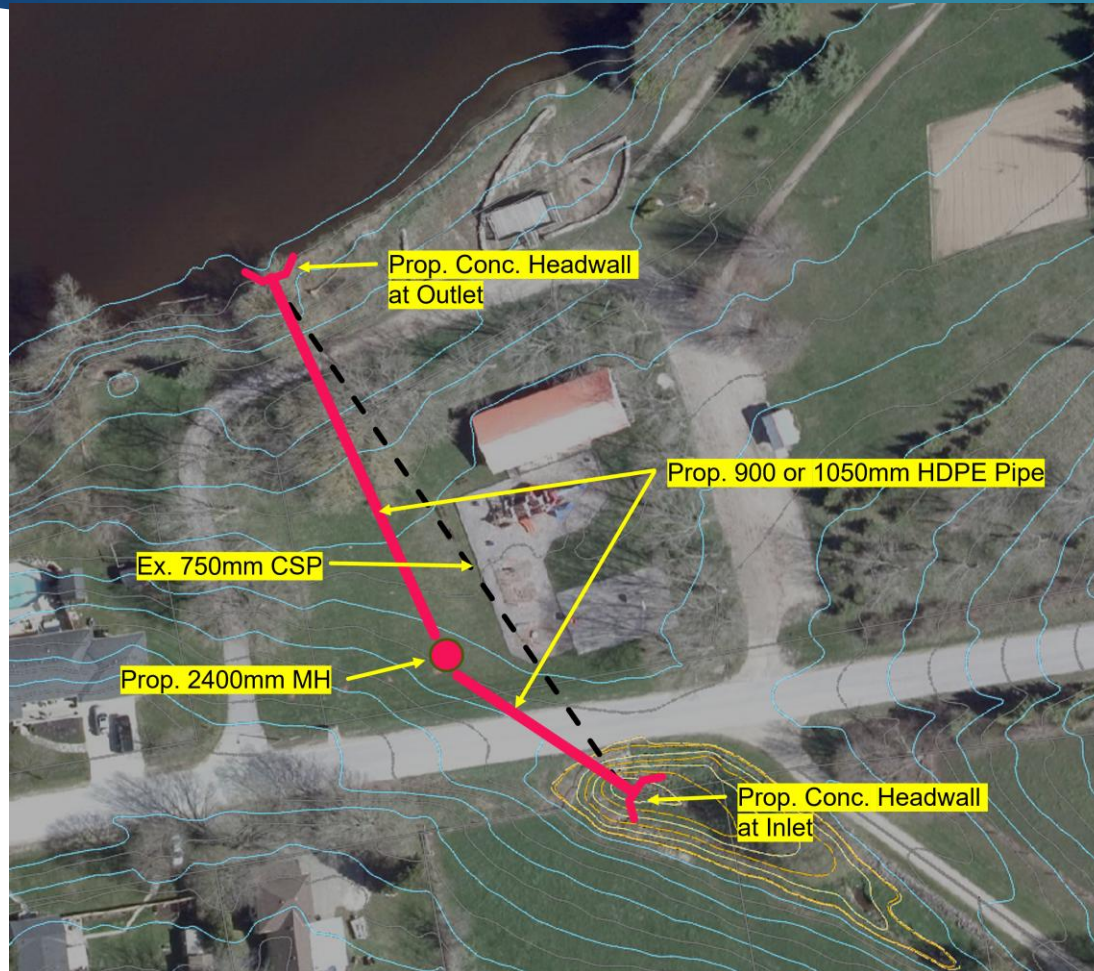
Catchment/Outlet #1 – Murphy St. @ Park - 64 Ha Drainage Area
~750mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ Murphy Street culvert undersized (cannot convey 25 yr storm without overtopping) ✖
- ▶ This culvert is in poor condition near outlet ✖

Potential Solutions / Next Steps

Catchment/Outlet #1 – Murphy St. @ Park - 64 Ha Drainage Area
~750mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ Additional model refinement
- ▶ CCTV inspection of 750mm Culvert
- ▶ Culvert replacement – 900 or 1050mm dia.

Existing Conditions Model Results

Catchment/Outlet #2 – @ Murphy/Glasgow Bend - 3 Ha Drainage Area
450mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ Culvert sufficiently sized ✓
- ▶ Erosion at outlet ✗
- ▶ No defined conveyance from culvert outlet to river, flows across trail ✗

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Catchment/Outlet #3 – @ Glasgow/Clyde Bend - 12 Ha Drainage Area ~900mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ 900mm culvert at Clyde/Glasgow bend and most driveway culverts in Clyde St south ditch are sufficiently sized ✓
- ▶ Two (2) driveway culverts in Clyde St south ditch are undersized ✗
- ▶ Flows along Ayrshire St west ditch spill onto private property at south side of driveway to #425 Ayrshire during 100 yr storm ✗
- ▶ Ayrshire St west ditch adjacent to #460 Clyde St sufficiently sized but sensitive to conveyance reductions - undesirable
- ▶ Spills from Clyde St south ditch across to Clyde St north ditch under several storm scenarios – undesirable
- ▶ Clyde St north ditching poorly defined, allowing spills onto private property ✗

Potential Solutions / Next Steps

Catchment/Outlet #3 – @ Glasgow/Clyde Bend - 12 Ha Drainage Area
~900mm Dia. Culvert Outlet

- ▶ Identified potential solutions / next steps broken up into two broad categories
 1. Operations, Maintenance & Other
 2. Infrastructure Improvements

Potential Solutions / Next Steps

Catchment/Outlet #3 – @ Glasgow/Clyde Bend - 12 Ha Drainage Area
~900mm Dia. Culvert Outlet

► Operations, Maintenance & Other

- Implement monitoring program and ensure regular maintenance of drainage infrastructure
 - Infrastructure projects not a substitute for regular maintenance
 - Example: when 50+ mm rainfall is forecasted for a 24-hr period, Township staff to complete sweep of drainage area and check for obvious deficiencies and blockages

Potential Solutions / Next Steps

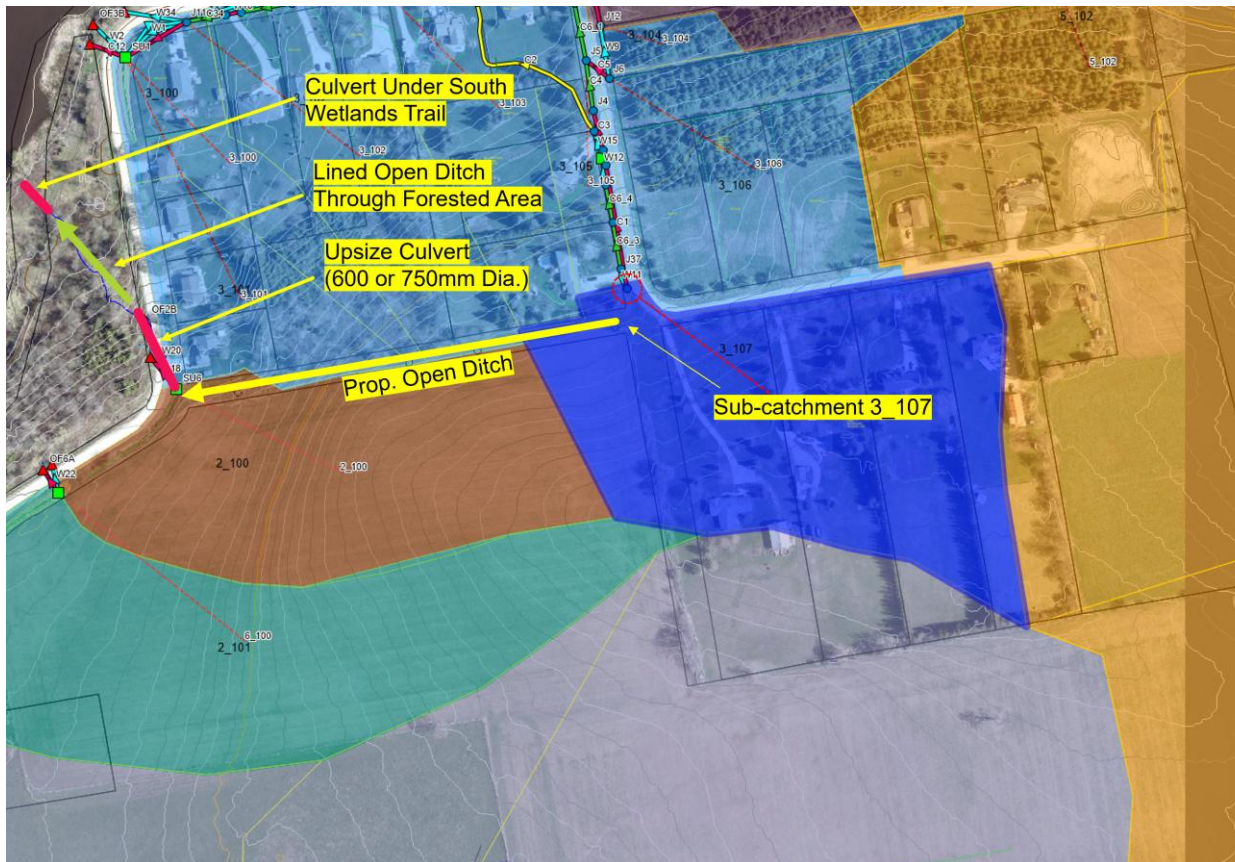
Catchment/Outlet #3 – @ Glasgow/Clyde Bend - 12 Ha Drainage Area
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► Operations, Maintenance & Other

- CCTV inspect all drainage infrastructure in Catchment Area to assess condition, complete culvert cleaning where required
- Ensure all ditching is properly defined and complete minor excavation as required to accomplish this
- Private property upgrades by homeowners can be helpful for extra protection above and beyond design conveyance capacity of Township infrastructure

Potential Solutions / Next Steps

Catchment/Outlet #3 – @ Glasgow/Clyde Bend - 12 Ha Drainage Area
~900mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- Infrastructure Improvement: Drainage Diversion
 - Divert 3.6 Ha sub-catchment located south of Oxford St. to Outlet #2 via open ditch through unopened ROW.
 - Requires upgrade of Outlet #2 at Murphy/Glasgow
 - Would resolve deficiencies except for spills across Clyde Street

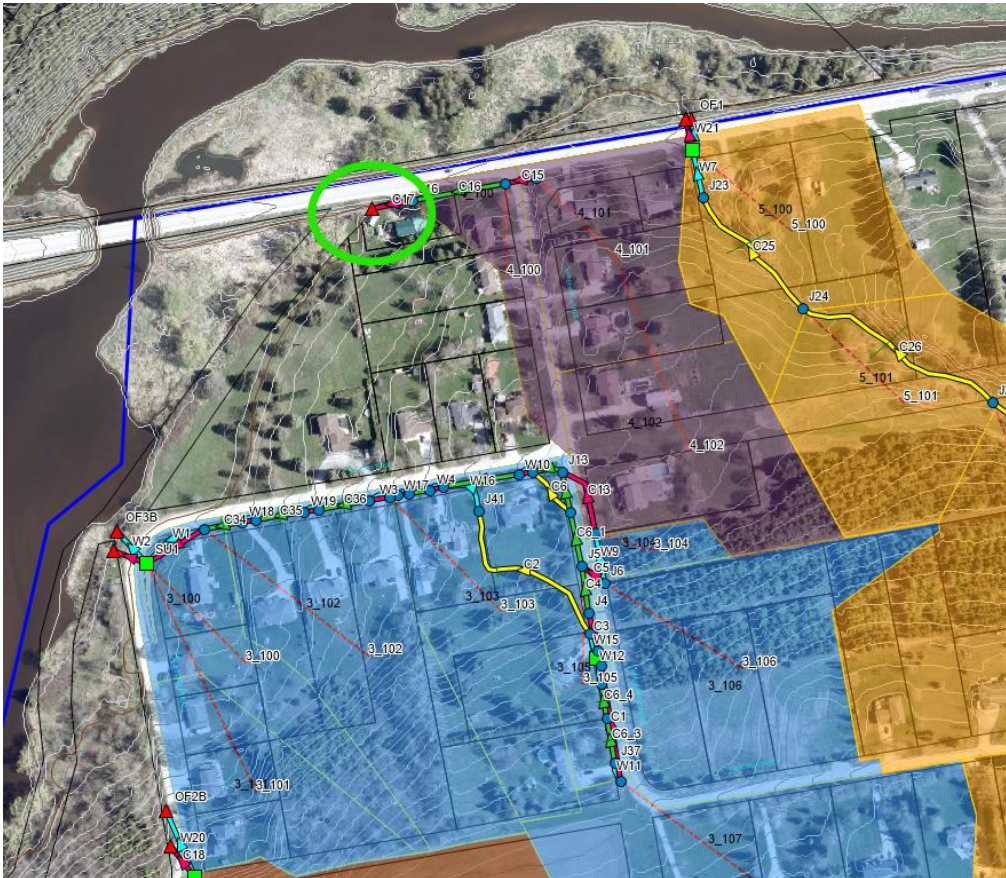
Potential Solutions / Next Steps

Catchment/Outlet #3 – @ Glasgow/Clyde Bend - 12 Ha Drainage Area
~900mm Dia. Culvert Outlet

- ▶ Infrastructure Improvement: Clyde Street Culvert/Ditching Upgrades
 - ▶ At minimum, consider upgrading undersized culverts in south ditch and improving ditching in north ditch
 - ▶ Larger project: uniformly increase south ditch driveway culvert capacity – either increase size or twin
 - ▶ Larger project would resolve deficiencies except for private property spills along Ayrshire Street west ditch
 - ▶ Combination project (culvert/ditching upgrades coupled with the diversion project) could resolve all deficiencies in this Catchment

Existing Conditions Model Results

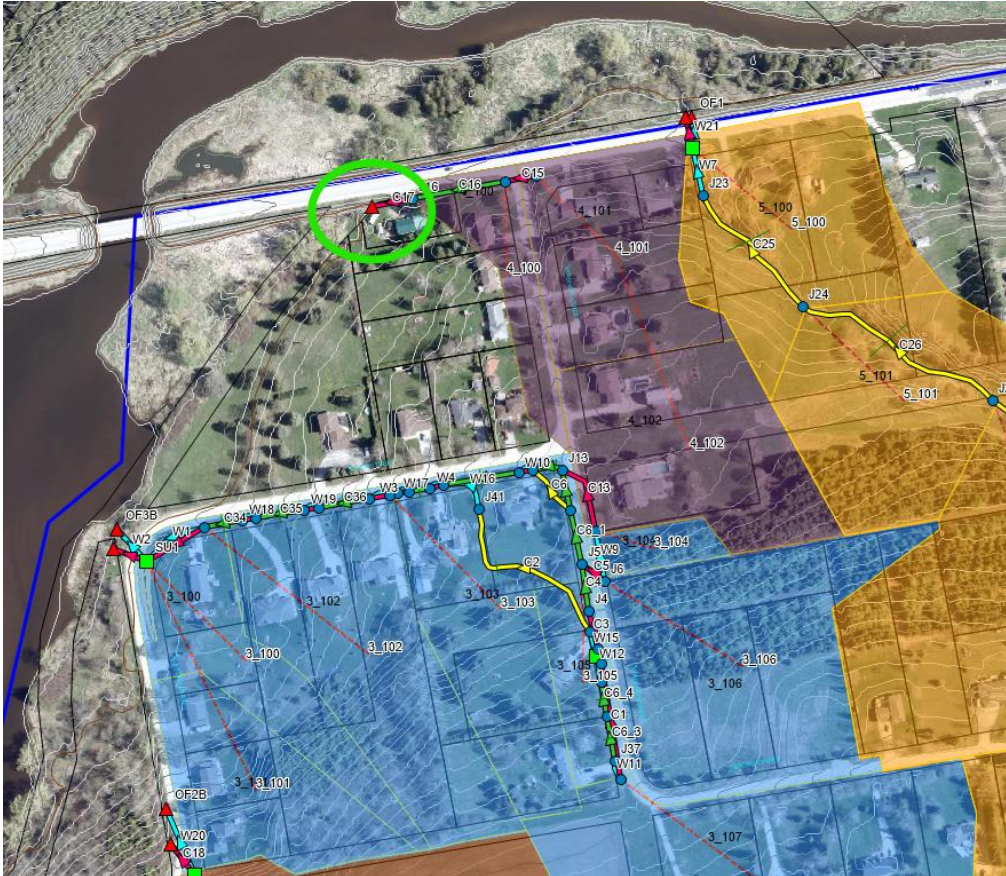
Catchment/Outlet #4 – @ Queen St. South Side - 3 Ha Drainage Area
~600mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ Culvert sizes sufficient to meet Township standards ✓
- ▶ Ditching along Ayrshire Street (Clyde to Queen) poorly defined and some culverts buried ✗

Potential Solutions / Next Steps

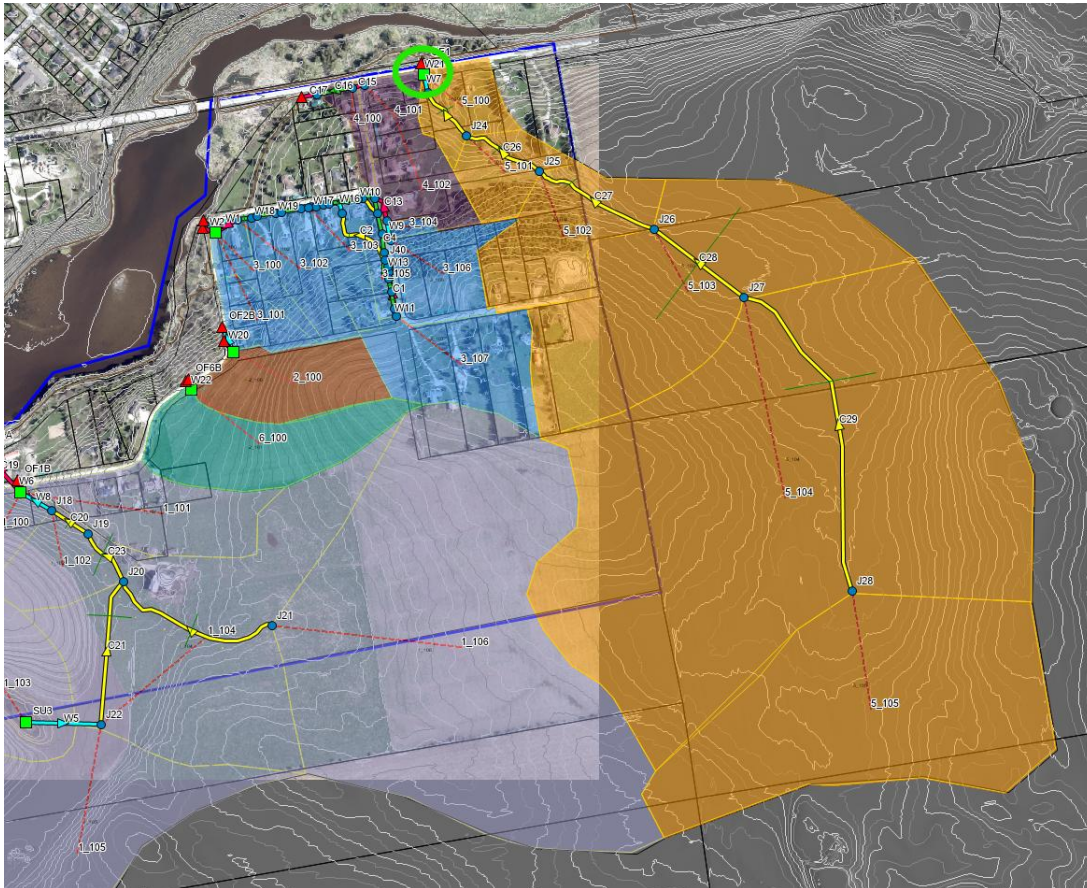
Catchment/Outlet #4 – @ Queen St. South Side - 3 Ha Drainage Area
~600mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ Ditching improvements – minor excavation - along Ayrshire Street (Clyde to Queen) on both sides
- ▶ Replace existing driveway culverts

Existing Conditions Model Results

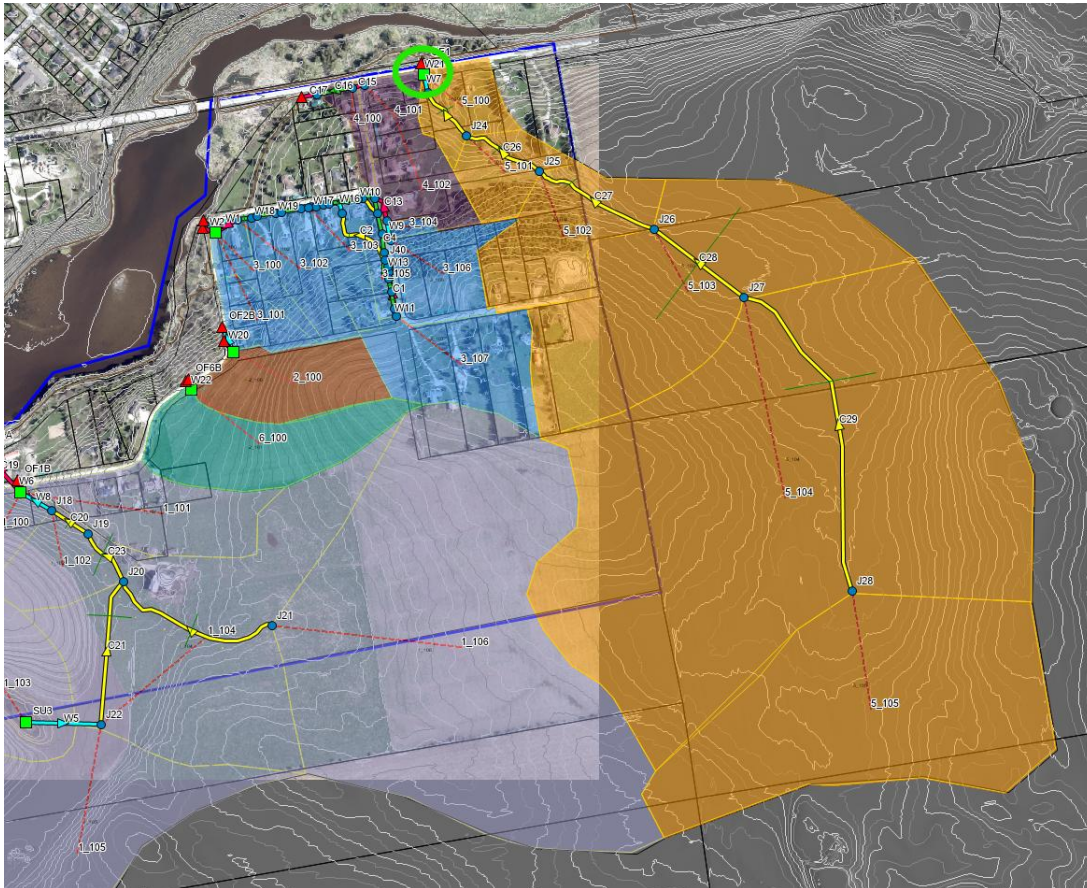
Catchment/Outlet #5 – @ Queen St. North Side - 73 Ha Drainage Area
1200mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ 1200mm culvert size sufficient to meet Township standards ✓
- ▶ Under 100 yr storm, overflow routed to west along South Ditch to Outlet #4 - undesirable
- ▶ Significant erosion at downstream end of culvert (culvert is within connecting link) ✗

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Catchment/Outlet #5 – @ Queen St. North Side - 73 Ha Drainage Area 1200mm Dia. Culvert Outlet



- ▶ CCTV inspection of existing 1200mm culvert
- ▶ Further model refinement to confirm spill to west
- ▶ Repair erosion/scour at downstream end
- ▶ Candidate for provincial funding since in connecting link

Summary

- ▶ Stormwater modelling completed in study area to identify deficiencies
- ▶ Several capacity and maintenance deficiencies were discovered
- ▶ For large catchments, further model refinement is recommended before commencing major improvements
- ▶ An overall physical condition assessment including CCTV inspection of major culverts would provide valuable information to aid in decision making
- ▶ Routine monitoring and maintenance are critical to ensure optimal functionality of the system
- ▶ Some capital infrastructure improvements could be implemented, especially in Catchment 3 (Ayrshire/Clyde area) to resolve deficiencies

Questions/Comments?