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## NVCA's draft regulations mapping open for public consultation

UTOPIA, Ontario (March 17, 2025) – Property owners in the Nottawasaga Watershed can now review and comment on the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA)'s draft regulation mapping.

"NVCA is responsible for regulating development in natural hazard areas in order to avoid the loss of life and damage to property due to flooding and erosion," said Ben Krul, Manager of Development Planning & Permits at NVCA. "Regulation mapping is a tool that shows where natural hazards such as flooding and erosion can occur in the Nottawasaga Watershed. If your property is located within a regulated area, you may require approval from NVCA before starting your next project."

Property owners are encouraged to <u>review the draft regulations mapping on NVCA's</u> <u>website</u> to see if there are inconsistencies between the features on their properties and NVCA's draft mapping. Comments can be submitted through <u>nvca.on.ca</u>.

As part of the public consultation process, NVCA will host a public open house at the Tiffin Centre for Conservation on April 1, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Residents who are not able to come to the open house can book an appointment with NVCA's Planning staff to go over questions or concerns regarding the mapping. To book an appointment, please email <a href="mailto:planning@nvca.on.ca">planning@nvca.on.ca</a>.

Comments received will be reviewed by staff, and refinements may be made to the mapping where deemed appropriate and in keeping with current legislation.

For more information about the public consultation or to learn more about the natural hazards found in our watershed, visit <a href="NVCA's website at nvca.on.ca">NVCA's website at nvca.on.ca</a>

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**About NVCA:** The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority is a public agency dedicated to the preservation of a healthy environment through specialized programs to protect, conserve and enhance our water, wetlands, forests and lands.

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