



COUNTY OF SIMCOE

MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW

Simcoe County Municipal Comprehensive Review

Draft Provincial Agricultural System Mapping Refinement Update

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The refinement of the agricultural land base requires an assessment of the Candidate Areas.

“OMAFRA will provide advice and data to aid in municipal decision-making and municipalities will document the rationale for including or not including these areas within the agricultural land base.” Some Candidate Areas may qualify as prime agricultural lands, while others do not, but help to create the continuous agricultural land base.

Next Steps

The comparison between the Provincial prime agricultural areas and the County of Simcoe prime agricultural areas (on a County level and lower-tier level) has been completed. This information has been disseminated to the County and lower-tier municipalities for their review and consideration. The lower-tier municipalities are working through the data to assess the differences and to evaluate the areas requiring change. Stakeholders and the public can provide comment and input to the process, and prime agricultural lands mapping refinement by contacting the respective municipality, or through the County’s MCR webpage <https://www.simcoe.ca/Planning/Pages/MCR.aspx>.

The County of Simcoe and the lower-tier municipalities will combine the data and further assess areas as necessary.

“After municipal refinements have been made and included in approved upper- and single-tier official plan land use schedules, the Province will update the agricultural land base map for the GGH”.