

commercial activity and to provide alternate routes connecting to the provincial network.

3.2.5 Infrastructure Corridors

1. In planning for the development, optimization, or expansion of existing and *planned corridors* and supporting facilities, the Province, other public agencies and upper- and single-tier municipalities will:
 - a) encourage the co-location of linear *infrastructure* where appropriate;
 - b) ensure that existing and *planned corridors* are protected to meet current and projected needs in accordance with the transportation and *infrastructure* corridor protection policies in the PPS;
 - c) where applicable, demonstrate through an *agricultural impact assessment* or equivalent analysis as part of an environmental assessment, that any impacts on the *Agricultural System* have been avoided or, if avoidance is not possible, minimized and to the extent feasible mitigated;
 - d) where applicable, demonstrate through an environmental assessment, that any impacts on *key natural heritage features* in the *Natural Heritage System for the Growth Plan*, *key hydrologic features* and *key hydrologic areas* have been avoided or, if avoidance is not possible, minimized and to the extent feasible mitigated; and
 - e) for existing or *planned corridors* for transportation:
 - i. consider increased opportunities for moving people and goods by rail;
 - ii. consider separation of modes within corridors; and
 - iii. provide opportunities for inter-modal linkages.
2. The planning, location, and design of *planned corridors* and the land use designations along these corridors will support the policies of this Plan, in particular that development is directed to *settlement areas*.

3.2.6 Water and Wastewater Systems

1. Municipalities should generate sufficient revenue to recover the full cost of providing and maintaining *municipal water and wastewater systems*.
2. *Municipal water and wastewater systems* and *private communal water and wastewater systems* will be planned, designed, constructed, or expanded in accordance with the following:
 - a) opportunities for optimization and improved efficiency within existing systems will be prioritized and supported by strategies for energy and water conservation and water demand management;