



## Corporation of the Township of Brock

### Staff Report to the Mayor and Members of Council

**From:** Ben Kester  
**Position:** Interim Director of Public Works  
**Title / Subject:** Beaverton Dam  
**Date of Report:** May 6, 2025  
**Date of Meeting:** May 12, 2025  
**Report No:** 2025-OP-010

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#### 1.0 Issue / Origin

The Beaverton Dam, although not in use today, may still be considered a dam and therefore may need to be inspected in accordance with the Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act (LRIA).

#### 2.0 Background

See attached report by Stantec Consulting Ltd. dated April 16, 2025.

#### 3.0 Analysis

See attached report by Stantec Consulting Ltd. dated April 16, 2025.

#### 4.0 Related Policies / Procedures

Canadian Dam Association (CDA) and the Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act (LRIA)

#### 5.0 Financial / Budget Assessment

There will be no impact as the Stantec Consulting Ltd. report was included in the 2025 budget. There will likely be some impact next year and any increase will be presented during 2026 budget discussions.

#### 5.1 Asset Management

The Beaverton Dam is part of the Township's capital asset management plan. As such will need funding for all future capital works.

## **6.0 Climate Change Impacts**

There is no direct impact with climate change with this report. However, as the Beaver River is part of a significant watershed, any future capital works related to the dam should consider climate changes, especially with the increase in significant storms as Brock has experienced as recent as 2025 with large snow accumulation and the ice storm.

## **7.0 Communications**

This report is presented on a public agenda, and any future discussions or decisions will also be part of a public process.

## **8.0 Conclusion**

Staff recommend performing the Dam Safety Review as a capital project in the 2026 Budget.

## **9.0 Recommendation**

Be It Resolved That Report 2025-OP-010 entitled “Beaverton Dam”, be received; and

That Council direct staff to bring forward a cost to perform the Dam Safety Review during the 2026 budget deliberations.