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April 27, 2021

Mr. Robert Brown, Manager of Planning Services Planning & Development Services Department The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville 2021 Division Road North Kingsville Ontario, N9Y 2Y9

Dear Mr. Brown:

RE: <u>Application for Site Plan Control SPA-10-2021</u>

2415-2495 GRAHAM SIDE RD

ARN 371136000004900; PIN: 751690185

Applicant: J C FRESH FARMS LTD

The following is provided as a result of our review of Application for Site Plan Control SPA-10-2021. The applicant is seeking approval of an amendment to the existing plan for additional greenhouse space a new hot water tank and expansion of the worker housing.

# DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITY TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCIAL INTEREST IN NATURAL HAZARDS (PPS) AND REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES ACT

The following comments reflect our role as representing the provincial interest in natural hazards as outlined by Section 3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act* as well as our regulatory role as defined by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

The above noted lands are subject to our Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation under the *Conservation Authorities Act* (Ontario Regulation No. 158/06). The parcel falls within the regulated area of the Wallace Fox Drain and Lane Drain. The property owner will be required to obtain a Permit from the Essex Region Conservation Authority prior to any construction or site alteration or other activities affected by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

We have received a permit (44-21) application for the proposed developments and it is currently being reviewed.

### WATERSHED BASED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

The following comments are provided in an advisory capacity as a public commenting body on matters related to watershed management.

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### SECTION 1.6.6.7 Stormwater Management (PPS, 2020)

ERCA has concerns with the potential impact of the quality and quantity of runoff in the downstream watercourse due to the proposed development on this site. ERCA recommends that stormwater quality and stormwater quantity will need to be addressed up to and including the 1:100 year storm event and be in accordance with the guidance provided by the Stormwater Management Planning and Guidance Manual, prepared by the Ministry of the Environment (MOE, March 2003) and the "Windsor-Essex Region Stormwater Management Standards Manual".

We therefore request inclusion of the following conditions in the Site Plan Control Agreement:

- 1. That the developer undertakes an engineering analysis to identify stormwater quality and quantity measures as necessary to control any increases in flows in downstream watercourses, up to and including the 1:100 year design storm, to the satisfaction of the Municipality and the Essex Region Conservation Authority.
- 2. That the developer installs stormwater management measures identified above, as part of the development of the site, to the satisfaction of the Municipality and the Essex Region Conservation Authority.
- 3. That the developer obtains the necessary permit or clearance from the Essex Region Conservation Authority prior to undertaking site alterations and/or construction activities.
- 4. That the "Special Provisions for Storm Water Infrastructure" as outlined in the attached memo, are appropriately addressed to the satisfaction of the Municipality and the Essex Region Conservation Authority.

# PLANNING ADVISORY SERVICE TO PLANNING AUTHORITIES - NATURAL HERITAGE POLICIES OF THE PPS, 2020

The following comments are provided from our perspective as an advisory service provider to the Planning Authority on matters related to natural heritage and natural heritage systems as outlined in Section 2.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act*. The comments in this section do not necessarily represent the provincial position and are advisory in nature for the consideration of the Planning Authority.

We note that the subject property is adjacent to (within 120 m of) a natural heritage feature that may meet the criteria for significance under the PPS. Section 2.1.8 of the PPS, 2020 states – "Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to the natural heritage features and areas identified in policies 2.1.4, 2.1.5 and 2.1.6 unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been

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demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological functions."

Notwithstanding the above noted references to the PPS policies, we note that the proposed development is either adequately setback and/or physically separated from the natural heritage feature by existing development or infrastructure. Therefore, we do not anticipate any negative impacts associated with the proposal. Based on our review, we have no objection to the application with respect to the natural heritage policies of the PPS.

#### **FINAL RECOMMENDATION**

With the review of background information and aerial photograph, ERCA will require a Stormwater Management Plan to the satisfaction of ERCA and the Town of Kingsville. A permit application has been received and it is currently under review.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Vitra Chodha, E.P Resource Planner

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