



## **January 29, 2016 – PROPERTY ASSESSMENT BULLETIN**

### **Gravel Pits – Assessment Review Board (ARB) Appeal Update**

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The following bulletin has been prepared for municipalities and stakeholders as an update to the November 16, 2015 bulletin about the legacy of outstanding gravel pit appeals before the Assessment Review Board (ARB).

MPAC and Walker West Longo (WWL), the firm acting on behalf of the Ontario Sand, Stone and Gravel Association (OSSGA) representing gravel pit property owners, are implementing a cooperative approach to streamline, track and expedite the ratification of Minutes of Settlement to resolve outstanding appeals affecting gravel pits. The process may be summarized as follows.

- All appeals have been divided into three tranches for processing and Minutes of Settlement are currently being circulated among the parties for presentation to the ARB at hearings scheduled for February 18th, March 8th and April 14th respectively.
- The properties included in tranche 1 have been prepared and delivered to WWL, as well as affected municipalities. MOS for the remaining properties will be completed prior to the March 8 pre-hearing as part of tranche 2 and a third tranche will be completed before April 14 to dispose of any outstanding matters.
- MPAC's Regional Managers and Account Managers are working with affected municipalities to obtain signed MOS where the municipality has not signed a Waiver of Notice and Authorization with the ARB.
- Copies of the executed MOS will be distributed to all parties, including municipalities, after presentation to the ARB.
- Where a municipality chooses not to sign, the ARB will be advised and the matter will be scheduled to a hearing.

Please contact your Regional Manager or Account Manager, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations, with any questions regarding this bulletin or the appeals.