AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

MUNICIPAL / LTVCA CATEGORIES OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT dated this 18 day of DECEMBER, 2023.

BETWEEN

The LOWER THAMES VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY (hereinafter called "Authority")

OF THE FIRST PART

- and -

The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT
The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF DUTTON DUNWICH
The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAKESHORE
The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LEAMINGTON
The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MIDDLESEX CENTRE
The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTHWEST MIDDLESEX
The CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHWOLD
The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF STRATHROY-CARADOC
The CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST ELGIN
(Hereinafter called the "Members")

OF THE SECOND PART

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ontario Regulation 686/21(https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/210686) Conservation Authorities are authorized to charge a levy to their members for delivery of mandatory services under the Regulation;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Ontario Regulation 687/21 (https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/210687) Conservation Autho

(https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/210687) Conservation Authorities are required to enter into an agreement to levy members for services provided to Members other than mandatory services;

AND WHEREAS the Conservation Authority is prepared to provide certain non-mandatory services to its Member Municipalities;

AND WHEREAS the Members wish to avail themselves of these services and to pay the amount levied for the services;

NOW THEREFORE, that in consideration of the terms of this Agreement, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The Authority agrees to provide to the Members the services outlined in the Inventory of Services and Programs attached hereto as Schedule A.
- 2. The Members agree to be charged a levy for such services, to be apportioned among the Members.
- 3. The Authority will not add to or delete from the services or programs funded through the levy without first consulting with the Members. The Agreement does not preclude the parties from identifying opportunities for further collaboration to the benefit of both parties, and ensure

efficiency, transparency and accountability in the use of resources, including in-kind services and assistance, coordination of complementary policy and program initiatives, and projects involving third parties. During the term of this agreement if additional programs and services are requested from the LTVCA to be delivered on behalf of the Municipality a separate agreement/MOU will be established with the requesting municipality.

- 4. The parties will maintain the current annual approval process for increasing the levy and budget (i.e. weighted vote based upon current value assessment in the watershed for approval of the levy).
- 5. The Members will continue to support the current Inventory of Services and Programs throughout the period of this Agreement.
- 6. That all elements of this Agreement will include consideration of Climate Change impacts.
- 7. This Agreement will be for a Term of five (5) years commencing on the date of the signature by the last of the parties.
- 8. The Municipality acknowledges and agrees that all Programs and Services identified in Appendix A shall also be included in a Watershed-based Resource Management Strategy that the LTVCA is required to develop and implement in accordance with the Conservation Authorities Act.

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED THIS 14th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.

THE LOWER THAMES VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Per: ______ Chair – Sarah Emons

Per: CAO / Secretary Treasurer – Mark Peacock

I/we have the authority to bind the Corporation

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED THIS 18 DAY OF December, 2023.

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT

Per:

Per: Clerk - Judy Smith

I/we have the authority to bind the Corporation