



Melancthon Against Quarries

Water For Life

Community Meeting

Hornings Mills Town Hall, June 26 @ 7pm

(Doors open at 6:30)



You Can Help

- Attend Water for Life
 - A community participation discussion
 - Thursday, June 26, 7pm
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 - Doors open at 6:30
 - Help stop the blasting
 - Come out and 'Just Say No' - in person
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The Size of 300 Office Buildings? Really? Yes, Really.

To participate in our community discussion on Water for Life, join our Town Hall Meeting - Thursday, June 26 @ 7pm

The Strada Quarry will blast through the water table to 225 feet below ground level. At that depth, it will cover 141.6 acres. That's enough to hold 300 22-storey office buildings - an immense crater at the heart of our water supply. The entire blast

quarry operation is more than twice that size, about 350 acres. Think of 30 Rogers Centres built north of County Road 17 between the 3rd and 4th lines.

Every single day, for 35 or more years, Strada will pump back to the surface 6,600,000 liters of water that has flowed into the crater. This is more than three times the daily water consumption of the Town of Shelburne in 2023. The water pumped out will flow into the Pine and Boyne River systems - into Melancthon wells and those of nearby communities.

Or maybe not.

Strada has never done this before - they will be our rookie water managers. Hydrogeologists will tell you that once Strada starts blowing up the aquifers that store water underground, no one can predict with certainty where new fractures might emerge and where our water will then flow. What if any 'treatment' Strada applies to the pumped out water doesn't work? What if you end up with no pure water in your well? Or no water at all? Strada says it will bring you water for pressure tanks, if necessary. What if it all goes bad and the rookie manager just gives up and surrenders its license? Or goes bankrupt? Who will compensate you? No one, that's who. With a future like this, who will want to live and work here? Or anywhere near here?

The Strada Blast Quarry proposal represents an existential threat to our future. Every living thing that depends on water is at risk - both in Melancthon and beyond. To evade regulatory oversight and public participation, Doug Ford's new Bill 5 will soon come into force. It will allow the Cabinet to by-pass existing laws to create 'Special Economic Zones' (not limited to mining) and to license 'trusted providers' who can be exempted from legal requirements. These lawless zones will gut all government protection for the natural environment and for communities like ours.

Your future will be up to Doug. Just Doug. That's it and that's all.

To participate in our community discussion on Water for Life, please join our Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, June 26 @ 7pm. This is an opportunity for you to share your concerns and to work with us on stopping the blast quarry. You can help.

How To Stop A Blast Quarry

The first step in stopping the quarry is to build an energetic community base. It takes people, lots of people, to lean in - to plant lawn signs, distribute leaflets, circulate petitions, write letters of objection, expand our media presence, organize fund raisers - and lots of other things too.

Don't be quiet. Don't believe anyone who tells you this is a done deal. The only certainty is that if we do nothing, we will be left with nothing. Our community as we know it will be devastated.

To let us know that you would like to help, contact us as soon as you can:
info@juststopit.ca

If you're on social, tell everybody you know about the Water for Life Community Meeting.

For further info, contact us at info@juststopit.ca

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