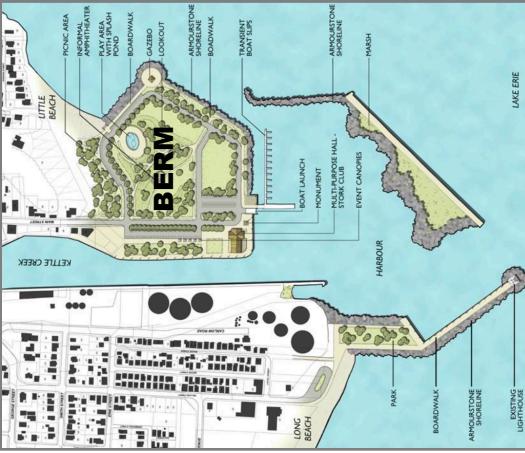


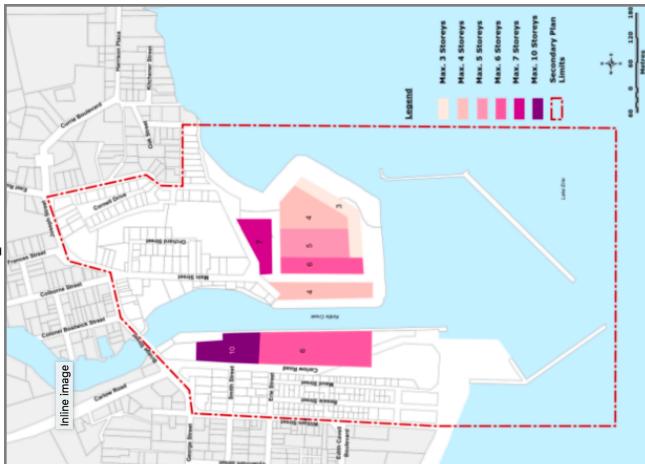
# The Berm in Port Stanley



Map 1



Map 2



Map 3

## What and Where is “the Berm”?

- In 2010 Central Elgin (CE) was given land on both sides of the Port Stanley Harbour through the Federal Port Divestiture process.
- 23 waterfront acres of now public land on the east side of Port Stanley Harbour is commonly called “the Berm”. This land is mostly dredged material from the harbour.

## How Should the Public Lands on the Berm be Used?

- Should the Berm remain public for public use which could include a swimming beach, parkland, trails, washrooms, sports fields, courts, picnic area, skating rink, and/or a community centre?
- Should the Berm lands be sold or leased for stores, houses, and up to seven (7) story condo or apartment buildings?

## What has Happened to the Berm?

**Map 1** shows the original 2009 Divestiture Plan proposing that the Berm be 90-100% public land for public use. No development on the west harbour.

**Map 2** (2013), 65% of the Berm is used for commerce, houses, condos and apartments with a maximum height of three (3) stories. About 35% would be public land. Condos on the west harbour.

**Map 3** (2017), 90% of the Berm is for commercial use with houses, condos and apartments with a maximum height of seven (7) stories. About 10% remains for public use. Significant development on the west harbour.

## What will Happen Next?

- On June 25, Dillon Consulting will present a new Port Stanley Harbour Secondary Plan to the Central Elgin Mayor and Council.
- The plan will be presented at a public meeting, probably in July.
- Council and Mayor will decide on the future use of the Divestiture Lands considering public input after this meeting.

## Why are We Concerned?

- How can the public land on the Berm be best used?
- How do contaminants in the Berm materials limit usage?
- Is the extent of existing and proposed development to double the size of Port Stanley sufficiently planned?
- Is CE preserving sufficient waterfront and green space for the growing needs of Port Stanley, St. Thomas, Central Elgin and London?
- Has Dillon Consulting and CE used an effective process?

## What can You do to Make a Difference?

- Complete the Berm survey at <http://psva.ca/specialnotices.html>
- Join us at Port Stanley Village Association (PSVA).
- In the upcoming election, ask the candidates for their views on use of the Berm and the other Harbour Divested Lands.
- Go to the Public meeting when it is announced. (probably July)
- Learn more by going to the PSVA and Central Elgin websites:  
<https://www.centrelelgin.org/> or email [scotchlow@gmail.com](mailto:scotchlow@gmail.com)



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