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**Fw: Request for Comments - Township of Southgate (Gokcen) - Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment**

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**Township of Southgate**

**Re: File number C14-2025**

The Historic Saugeen Métis (HSM) Lands, Waters and Consultation Department appreciates the opportunity to review this matter and offers the following comments:

- HSM recommends that the 30m setback of the unnamed Grand River tributary should be maintained and that no development should occur within the wetland. Natural habitat can't simply be replaced through compensation measures and impacts on these important areas should be avoided rather than mitigated.
- HSM supports the implementation of Low-Impact Development stormwater management features.
- HSM recommends the planting of native species and recommends native meadows rather than turf grass where possible, to enhance biodiversity and soil health.

Regards,

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