



Township of North Kawartha

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Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council Members
From: Edward Hilton, Economic Development Officer
Date: July 22, 2025
Subject: Recommendation for Letter of Concurrence Rogers Cell Tower (C3915)

Recommendation:

That Council authorize the Clerk to issue a Letter of Concurrence to Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) in support of the proposed construction of a Rogers Communications cell tower located at 1480 County Road 504, Apsley.

Background:

SpectraPoint Inc., on behalf of Rogers Communications, submitted a request to the Township of North Kawartha for a Letter of Concurrence in support of the installation of a telecommunications tower at the above location. The proposed infrastructure is part of broader efforts to improve cellular coverage and telecommunications services in the region. As per ISED's requirements, the proponent has completed the public consultation process in accordance with the ISED CPC-2-0-03 protocol.

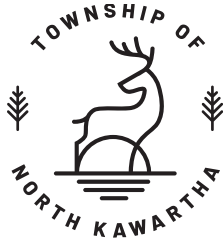
Analysis:

Public consultation commenced on June 9, 2025, and concluded on July 11, 2025. A virtual public meeting was held on July 8, 2025, via Zoom, and was attended by 5 participants (of 9 who registered). The EDO was in attendance virtually for this meeting.

Key outcomes of the public consultation process included:

- No objections were received from participants.
- Requests for additional construction details were addressed by providing site plans and information on tree removal.
- The consultation met ISED's guidelines for land use authority engagement.

The proposed tower is anticipated to enhance mobile connectivity and public safety in North Kawartha, which aligns with the Township's goals for improved digital infrastructure and support for the EORN Cell Gap project.



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Financial Implications:

There are no direct financial implications for the Township associated with issuing the Letter of Concurrence for this project. Since federal undertakings are not subject to the Ontario *Planning Act* or other municipal by-laws and regulations, wireless communication facilities such as cell towers are not required to obtain any municipal permits.

Strategic and/or Other Plans:

Strategic Economic Development Plan

3.0 – Internet & Cell Service

In Consultation With:

Robert Huras, Spectra Point

Connie Parent, Clerk

Attachment:

C3915 Request for Concurrence Letter (SpectraPoint Inc., July 11, 2025)

C3915 Summary of Public Consultation (July 2025)

C3915 Site Plan

C3915 Site Selection Report

C3915 Public Consultation Package