



5. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY PURPOSE

By completing an EIS Report in accordance with procedures established by the MNR, Subsection (1) of Section 38 (*Ontario Regulation 359/09*) may permit project components to be constructed and installed within 120 metres of a significant or provincially significant natural feature. This report is consistent with Section 38 of *Ontario Regulation 359/09*, which details that an EIS Report must include the following:

- Identification and assessment of any negative environmental effects of the project on a natural feature, provincial park or conservation reserve;
- Identification of mitigation measures in respect of any negative environmental effects;
- Description of how the environmental effects monitoring plan in the Design and Operations Report addresses any negative environmental effects; and,
- Description of how the Construction Plan Report addresses any negative environmental effects.

The focus of this EIS Report will be to fulfill the requirements of Section 38 for the significant natural features identified in Table 1 as being in the project location or within 120 metres.