GUIDE TO KEY UPDATES IN THE UPDATED NOSE CREEK WATERSHED WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (draft 2018)

The following summarizes the key updates to the Nose Creek Watershed Water Management Plan.

Administration

- Improved communication among partners regarding project successes, strategies to achieve objectives
- o Improved communication with stakeholders, public
- o Watershed condition report as a mechanism to compile ecological and land use data

Water Quantity and Stormwater Management

- Recommendation to develop an integrated hydrologic, hydraulic and water quality model
- The delayed implementation of the 2017 Runoff Volume Control Target to 2021;
 continue to implement the 2013 target
- Greater emphasis on redevelopment areas
- The Internal Drainage Area policy (NCWP 2015) summarized in the Plan, included in Appendix

Water Quality

- Inclusion of surface water quality guidelines and objectives
- Recommendations for a standardized, comprehensive surface water monitoring program for the watershed
- Recommendation to explore Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) limits to help manage water quality
- Considerations for stormwater quality improvements

Riparian Protection

- Established riparian health targets and thresholds
- o Refined riparian setback guidelines considering new guidance documents and policy
- Greater consideration and protection for ephemeral and intermittent watercourses
- o Greater consideration for integrating wetlands in urban developments

Groundwater

 Recommendation for a source water protection plan focused on the groundwater resource

Biodiversity

- Recommendation to update the Restricted Activity Period for West Nose Creek, relevant to Brown Trout spawning
- Identifies new threats from invasive species

