
Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach Viability Review

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Outline



Viability Review Process



Viability Review Report

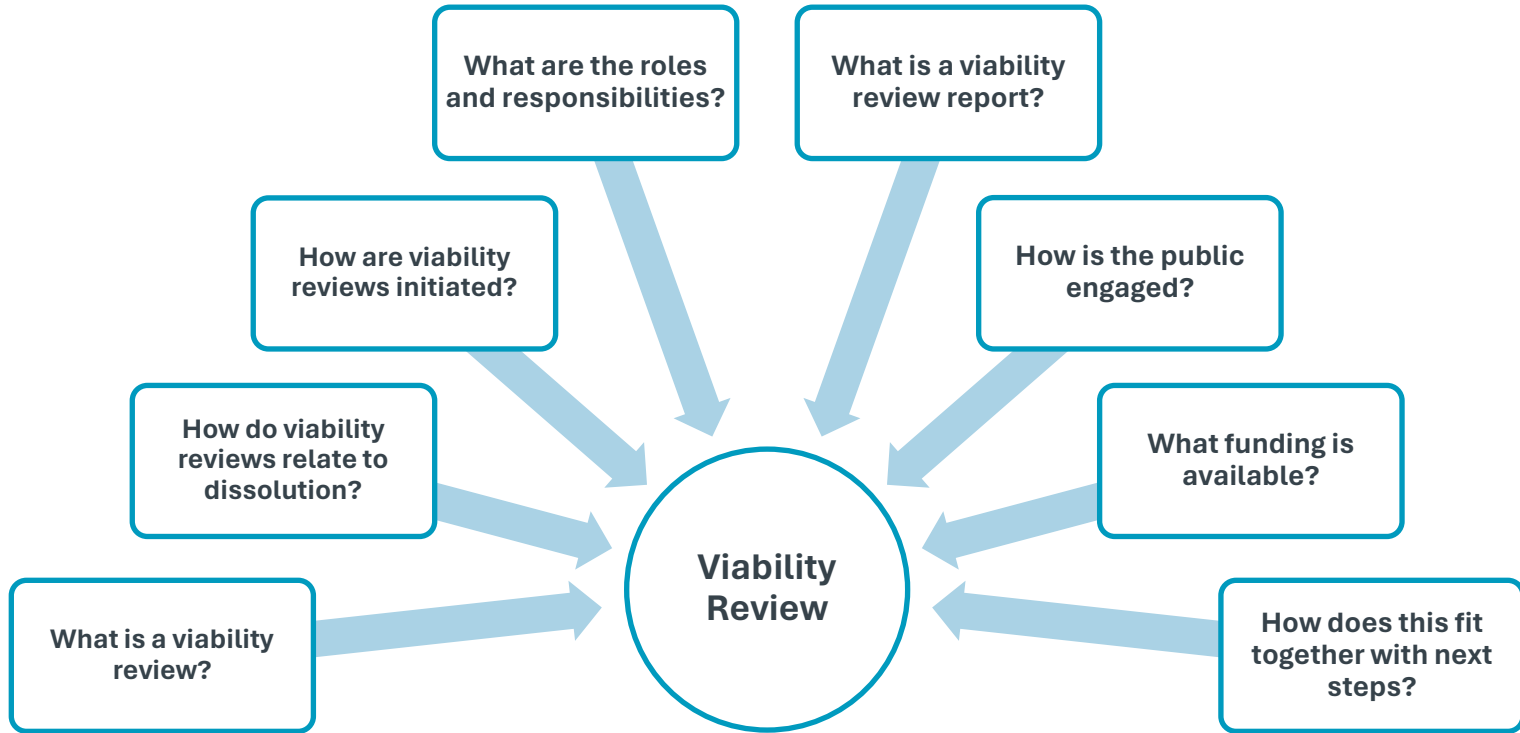


Questions (please post in the chat)



Community Input

Viability Review Process



What is a viability review?

A **viability review** is an objective review of a municipality's governance, finances, infrastructure, and services that provides options on how the community can become viable in the future.



This viability review will:

Engage residents, electors, and the County of Wetaskiwin

Focus on solutions to enable Ma-Me-O Beach to be viable over the long-term

Include recommendations for long-term viability from councillors and administrators of the summer village and county, and representatives of five municipal associations

Move Ma-Me-O Beach beyond the status quo

How do viability reviews relate to dissolution?

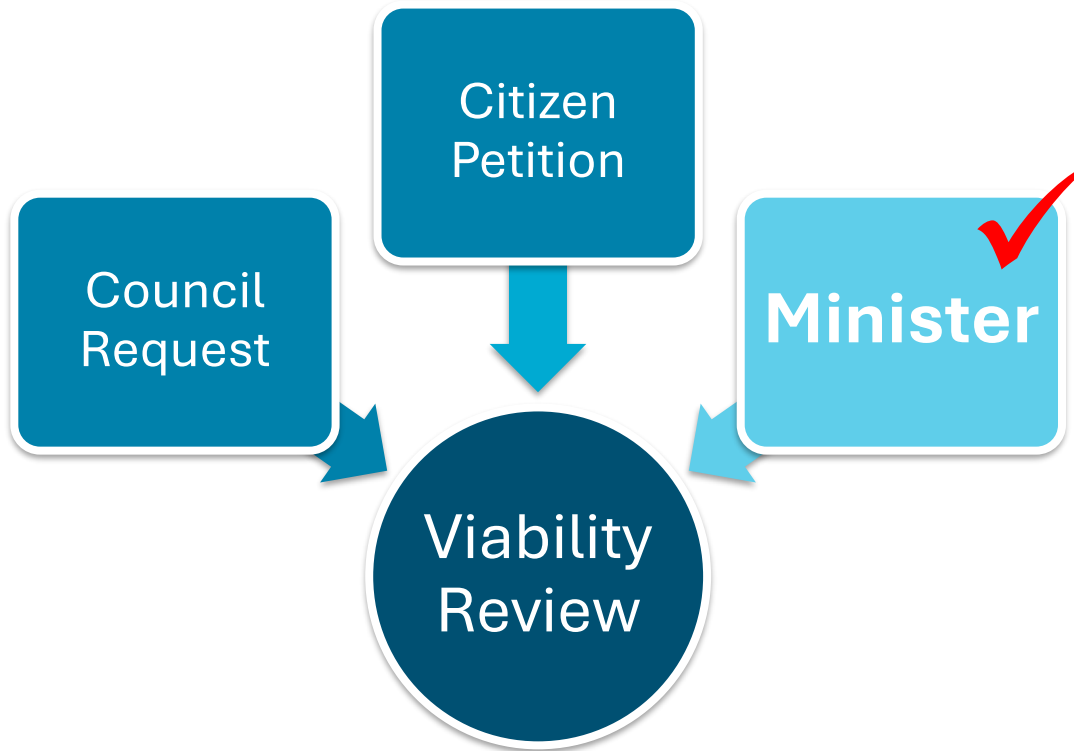
Dissolution

- Restructuring process where a municipality is unincorporated and becomes a hamlet in the neighbouring municipality.

Viability Review

- Before a municipality is dissolved, the Minister must undertake a viability review that:
 - Reviews a municipality's community, governance, administration, services, finances, and infrastructure.
 - Develops options for long-term viability in a Viability Review Report.
- Dissolution is one of the options considered.

How are viability reviews initiated?



What are the roles and responsibilities?



Municipal Affairs

- Leads the viability review process
- Informs residents and electors of events
- Hosts public information sessions
- Writes the viability review report
- Conducts the vote of electors

Summer Village and County

- Complete an infrastructure audit (summer village)
- Provide information about municipal operations
- Assist with communications to residents and electors

What are the options for the long-term viability of Ma-Me-O Beach?

Option 1

- Ma-Me-O Beach remains incorporated; and
- Council takes action to ensure a viable future.

Option 2

- Ma-Me-O Beach dissolves and becomes a hamlet in the County of Wetaskiwin.

What information is in a viability review report?

Community

Governance

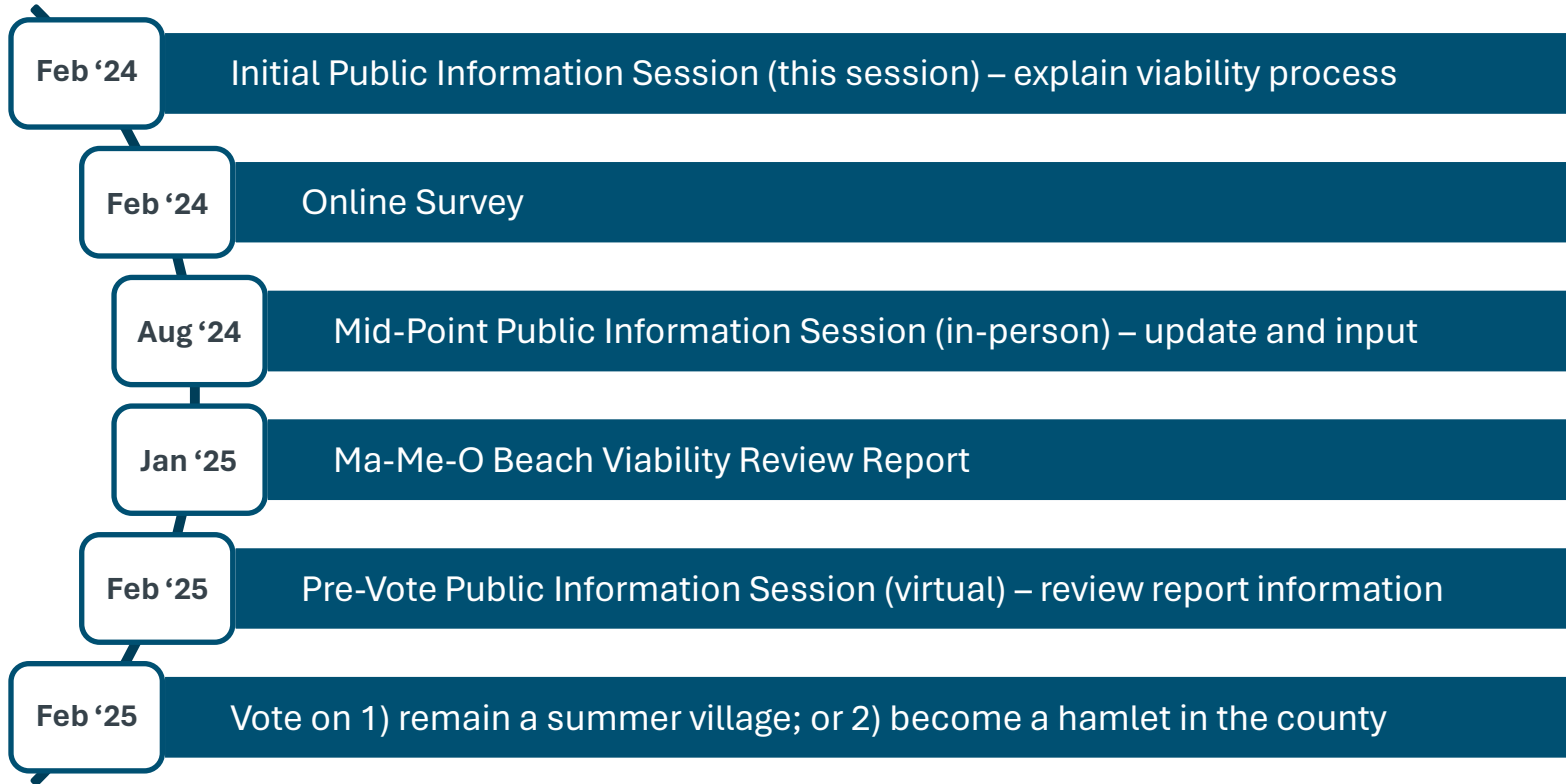
Administration

Services

Finances

Infrastructure

How is the public engaged?



Online Survey

Open until April 1

Collect perspectives on:

- Ma-Me-O Beach Viability
- Changes Ma-Me-O Beach could make for long-term viability
- Information you need to make an informed vote

Access by:

- https://your.alberta.ca/viability-reviews-2024/survey_tools/summer-village-of-ma-me-o-beach
- Government of Alberta “Viability reviews for municipalities” website



Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) funding

During a viability review:

- Funding to assist the review municipality with an infrastructure audit.
- Minister approved Ma-Me-O Beach's request for the maximum amount of \$120,000.

If dissolution occurs, the County of Wetaskiwin would be eligible to apply for post-restructuring funding based on population of the SV:

1. Transitional Stream to integrate the summer village's governance, administration, and legislation into those of the county - \$181,000
2. Infrastructure/Debt Servicing (non-utility debt) - \$743,000

Total of \$924,000

Questions?

<https://www.alberta.ca/viability-reviews-for-municipalities.aspx>

<https://www.alberta.ca/municipal-maps-statistics.aspx>



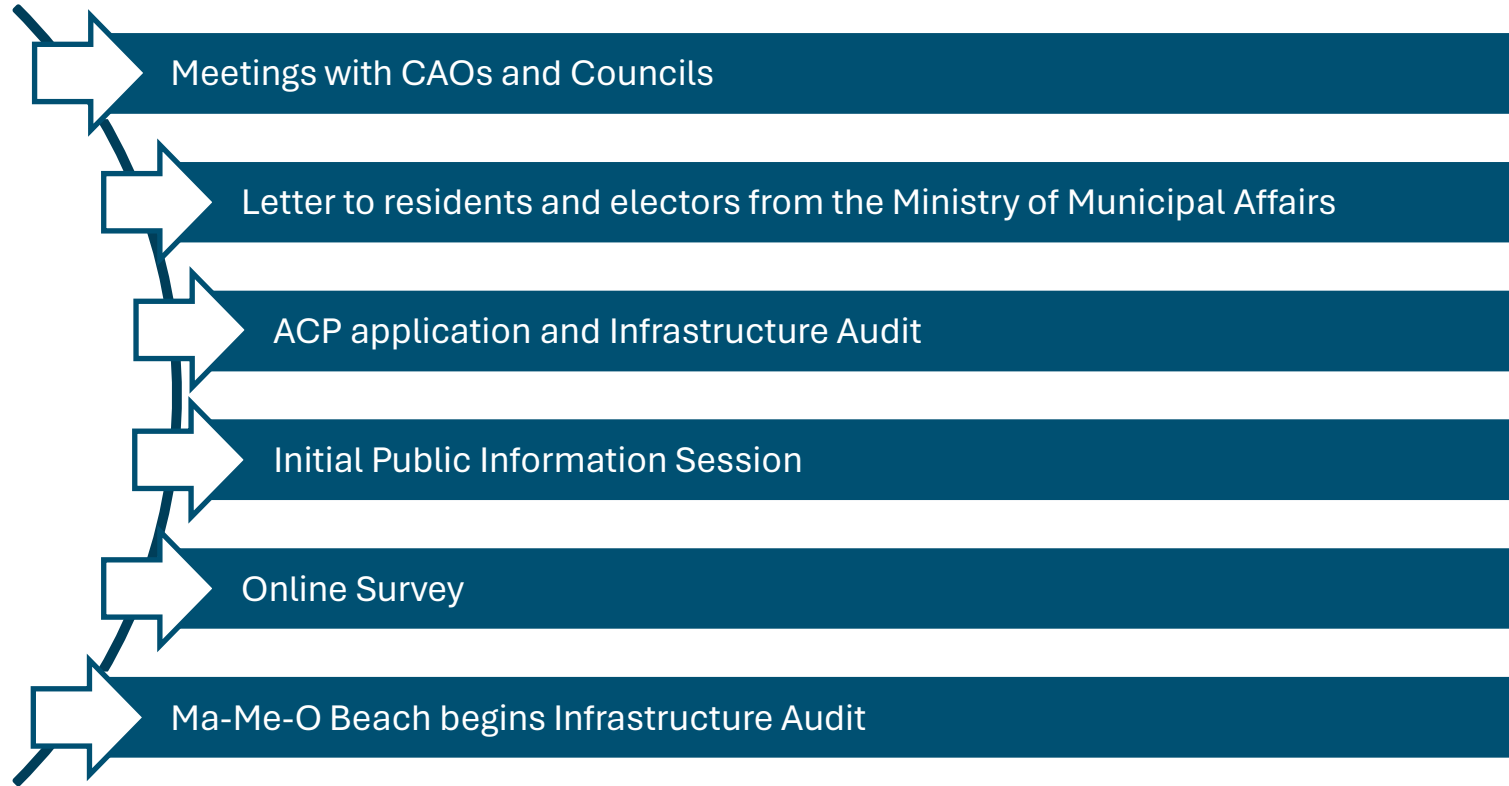
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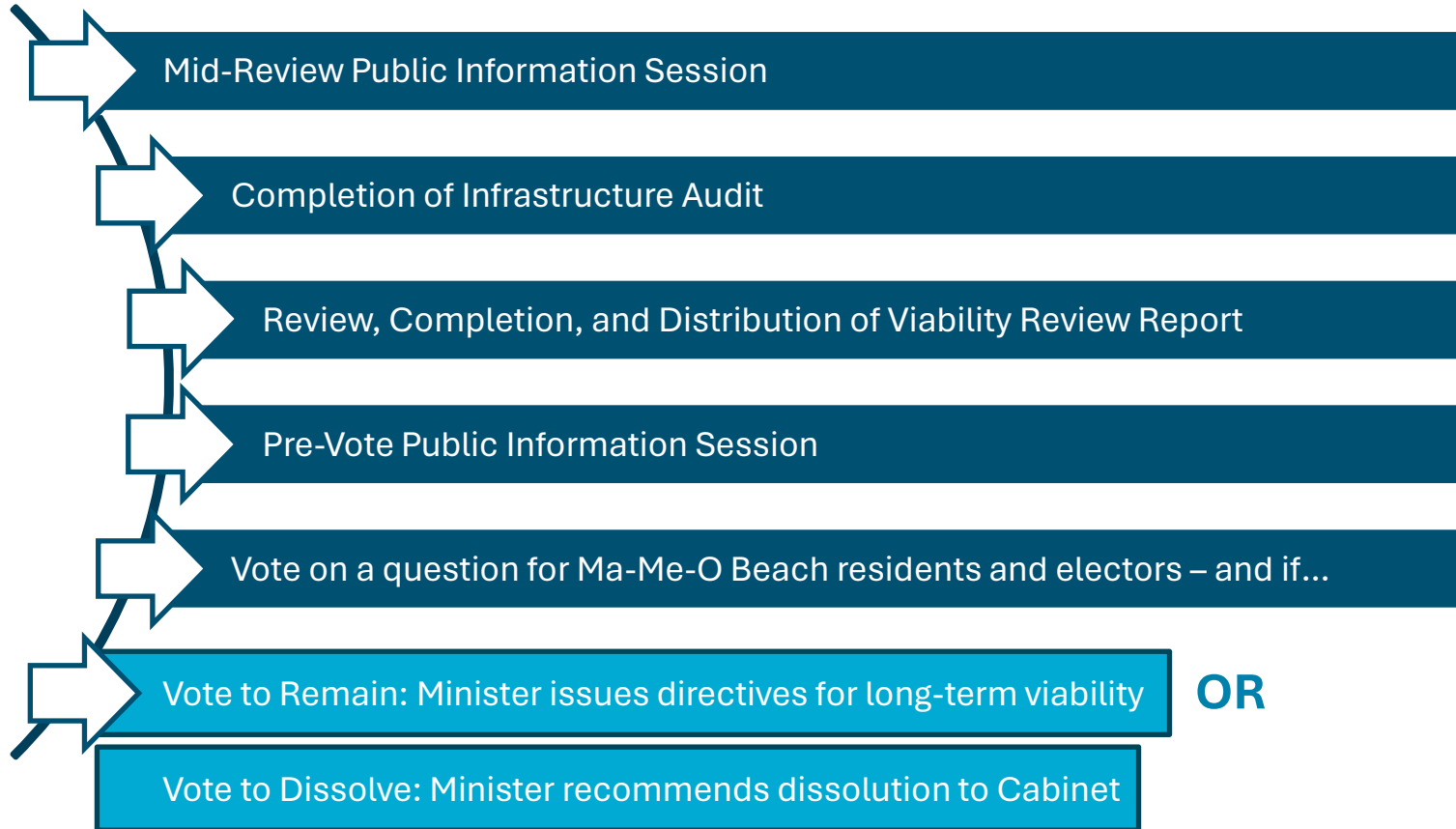
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Past and Future Steps



Past and Future Steps (cont.)



Questions for You

Please share your answers in the chat



**What are your
thoughts on the
viability of Ma-Me-O
Beach?**



What information do you need to make an informed decision on whether Ma-Me-O Beach remains a summer village or dissolves and become a hamlet?

Community

Governance

Administration

Services

Finances

Infrastructure



**What else should
the province
consider during the
summer village's
viability review?**



Thank you for participating!

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