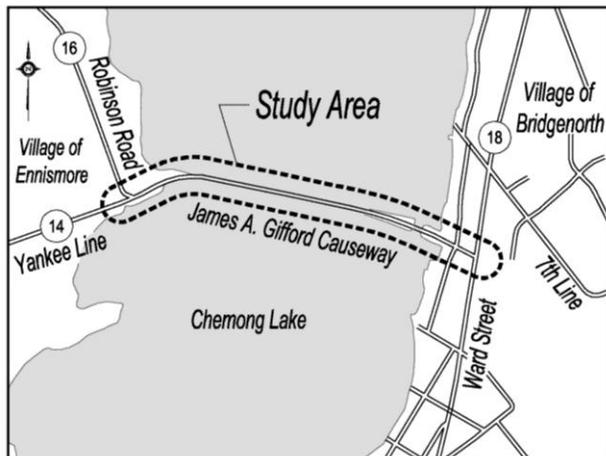




**Notice of Study Commencement
County of Peterborough
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
For the Proposed Widening and Rehabilitation of the
James A. Gifford Causeway from Robinson Road (County Road 16)
to Ward Street (County Road 18)**

The County of Peterborough has initiated an Environmental Assessment (EA) to assess the need, evaluate alternatives and develop a plan for improvements to the James A. Gifford Causeway. The James A. Gifford Causeway is an east/west link in the County of Peterborough's transportation network and recent development is triggering the need for road improvements. In addition, there is also a need to identify interim slope stability improvements on the aging Causeway.

The purpose of this study is to develop a Recommended Plan that addresses current and future operational needs considering all modes of travel (bicycles, pedestrians, trucks, and emergency vehicles/routes). The study will also seek environmental clearance for any modifications to the James A. Gifford Causeway.



The project is being planned as a Schedule 'B' or 'C' project under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (2007) document. The EA Study will confirm the project need and justification, document existing environmental conditions, examine alternatives and potential impacts and recommend mitigation measures.

Two (2) Public Information Centre (PIC) meetings will be scheduled for this project. The first PIC is expected to be held in the spring of 2012 and will present the draft Study Design, Problem Statement and Needs Analysis, the study process and schedule, environmental inventories and the

preliminary improvement alternatives. A second PIC will be held later in the year and will present the Technically Preferred Alternative for the project.

At the completion of the Study, an Environmental Study Report documenting the effects anticipated by the project and the corresponding mitigation measures will be prepared and placed on the public record for public and agency review. There is an opportunity at any time during the EA process for interested persons to provide comments. Any comments received pertaining to the study will be collected under the Environmental Assessment Act and, with the exception of personal information, will become part of the public record.

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