

Notice of Study Completion Class Environmental Assessment Ward Street

The County of Peterborough has completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) to study alternatives for the reconstruction of Ward Street in the settlement area of Bridgenorth due to the removal of the Bridgenorth bypass proposal from the County of Peterborough's Transportation Plan.

The project has been completed as a Schedule 'C' Class EA in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment. The study area includes Ward Street (CR18) from Champlain Road to the James Gifford Causeway (CR14).

The objective of the project is to enhance traffic capacity and optimize traffic circulation along the Ward Street (CR18) corridor for the short to medium term horizon. The project will also consider active transportation opportunities in the community and provide space within the corridor for implementation of the Township Community Improvement Plans.

An Environmental Study Report (ESR) documenting the planning process undertaken, details of the study recommendations as well as potential impacts and mitigation measures, have been completed and is being made available for public review. Subject to Comments received

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Site Location
Ward Street
Study Area

Bridgenorth

Champlain Rd.

following this Notice and the receipt of approvals, the County of Peterborough intends to proceed with construction of the recommended design as outlined in the ESR.

The recommended design includes a full road reconstruction with geometric improvements, new active transportation options and additional stormwater management facilities. The recommended design will address actions identified in the Selwyn Community Improvement Plan, and have minimal environmental impacts. Throughout the EA process mitigation measures were developed to address potential issues and effects.

The ESR is available for review on the County of Peterborough's website (<u>www.ptbocounty.ca</u>) for a 30 day review period following the issuance of this notice.

Interested parties may contact the County of Peterborough or its' Consultant, Engage Engineering Ltd., for further information, or to provide written comments by March 14, 2025, at the following address:



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In addition, a request to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order imposing additional conditions or requiring a comprehensive environmental assessment may be made on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests on other grounds will not be considered.

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (request for conditions or a request for a comprehensive environmental assessment), how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal and treaty rights, and any information in support of the statements in the request. This will ensure that the ministry can efficiently begin reviewing the request. The request should be sent in writing or by email to both:

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Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3
Minister.mecp@ontario.ca

Director, Environmental Assessment Branch Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor Toronto, ON M4V 1P5 enviropermissions@ontario.ca

Requests should also be made to the County of Peterborough by mail or e-mail. Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* at: www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order

All personal information included in your request, including name, address, phone number and property location is collected, under the authority of section 30 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. As the information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* does not apply. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

This Notice is issued on February 12, 2025