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Notice of Completion

Highway 6 South Widening From Highway 403 To Upper James Street (G.W.P. 2010-21-00) Preliminary Design & Class Environmental Assessment Update Study

THE STUDY

The Ontario **Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** has retained AECOM Canada Ltd. (AECOM) to update the Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for Highway 6 South from Highway 403 to Upper James Street in the City of Hamilton ("the Project"). In 1987, MTO completed an Environmental Assessment Report and Preliminary Design Report (W.P. 36-84-00) for Highway 6 South from Hamilton to Caledonia. The proposed works under this update included the widening of Highway 6 South within the Project limits from two to four lanes, and interchange and intersection improvements (i.e., the Recommended Plan).

THE RECOMMENDED PLAN

The Recommended plan includes the following:

- Twinning of Highway 6 South from 2 lanes to 4 lanes;
- Improvements to Ramp Highway 6 South Highway 403 East;
 Highway 6 South alignment refinements;
- Replacement or rehabilitation of culverts and bridge structures;
- New Parclo A-4 interchange at Book Road signalized ramp terminal intersections, illumination, drainage ditch and stormwater management ponds;
- New Trumpet interchange at Airport Connection Road signalized Airport Road intersection, illumination, drainage ditch and stormwater management ponds; and
- Intersection improvements at Upper James Street double left turn for eastbound vehicles heading north on Highway 6 South.
- Improvements to drainage and illumination.

THE PROCESS

This Project followed the approved planning process for a Group 'A' project under the MTO *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (amended 2000)* (Class EA). A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) has been prepared to document the environment assessment process including the development and evaluation of alternatives, the Recommended Plan, the environmental existing conditions mitigation measures developed to address environmental concerns, and the consultation undertaken.

The TESR has been completed and will be available for a 30-day comment period from **May 13 to June 12**, **2024**, on the Project Website: <u>www.hwy6southwideninghamilton.ca</u>

COMMENTS

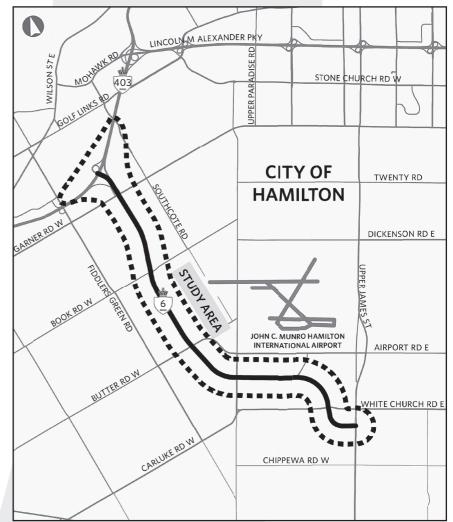
If you have questions or comments, you can send an email or visit the Project Website:

E-mail: <u>projectteam@hwy6southwideninghamilton.ca</u> Project Website: <u>www.hwy6southwideninghamilton.ca</u>

In addition, a request may be made to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) for an order requiring a higher level of study (i.e., requiring a comprehensive EA approval before being able to proceed), or that conditions be imposed (e.g., require further studies), only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on the constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests on other grounds will not be considered. Requests should include the requester contact information and full name for the ministry.

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (request for additional conditions or a request for a comprehensive environmental assessment), how an order may prevent, mitigate, or remedy those potential adverse impacts, and any information in support of the statements in the request. This will ensure that the ministry is able to efficiently begin reviewing the request.

The request should be sent in writing or by email to the Ministry of Transportation Project Engineer as well as the MECP contacts below.



Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor Toronto, ON M7A 2J3 e-mail: <u>minister.mecp@ontario.ca</u>

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