

Appendix A

Correspondence

Appendix A1

List of Contacts and Communication Log

LIST OF STAKEHOLDERS		
Hamilton and Gore Road Intersection		
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		adrian.chrisjohn@oneida.on.c
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Kettle and Stoney Point FN	Chief Jason Henry	jason.henry@kettlepoint.org
	Valerie George, Consultation Officer	valerie.george@kettlepoint.org
Delaware Nation	Chief Denise Stonefish	denise.stonefish@delawarenation.on.ca
Chippewas of the Thames FN	Chief Jacqueline French	jfrench@cottfn.com
		consultation@cottfn.com
		fburch@cottfn.com
Caldwell First Nation	(Acting) Chief Robyn Perkins	chief@caldwellfirstnation.ca
	Nikki van Oirschot, Director of Operations	nikki@caldwellfirstnation.ca
	Consultation	consultation.coordinator@caldwellfirstnation.ca
Aamjiwnaang First Nation	Chief Chris Plain	chief.plain@aamjiwnaang.ca
	Sharilyn Johnston, Environment Coordinator	sjohnston@aamjiwnaang.ca
Caldwell First Nations	Consultation Coordinator - Aanii Brianna Sands	consultation.coordinator@caldwellfirstnation.ca
Environment Canada	Rob Dobos, Manager, Ontario Region	

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Hamilton and Gore Road Intersection		
Organization	Name of Person	Email Content
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Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks	Rob Wrigley, District Manager, London Office	
	Lee Orphan, Director South/West Region	
	EA Coordinator email box	eanotification.swregion@ontario.ca
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry	Tammy Verhaeghe, District Manager, Guelph District Office	tammy.verhaeghe@ontario.ca
	Jennifer Harvard, Land and Waters Technical Specialist, Guelph District Office	jennifer.harvard@ontario.ca
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City of London	Michael van Holst, Ward 1 Councillor	mvanholst@london.ca
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	Greg Barrett, Director City Planning and City Planner	GBarrett@London.ca
	Michael Fabro, City Planning, Manager Sustainability and Resiliency	mfabro@london.ca
	Georgie Gauld, Division Manager, Wastewater Treatment Operations	GGauld@London.ca
	Ryan Craven, Community Neighbourhood Groups Representative	rcraven@london.ca

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Middlesex London Health Unit		health@mlhu.on.ca
Thames Valley District School Board	Carlos Henriquez, Manager Capital Projects	c.henriquez@tvdsb.ca
	Chris Yeo, Manager Facility Services	c.yeo@tvdsb.ca
	Ben Puzanov, Manager of Planning	b.puzanov@tvdsb.ca
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		lake.VanRyn@enbridge.com
London Hydro	Jagoda Borovickic, P.Eng, Manager, Design Engineering	borovicj@londonhydro.com
Bell	Jenny Kendrick	jenny.kendrick@bell.ca
Rogers	Jerry Lacount, Systems Planner	jerry.lacount@rci.rogers.com

From: Zenova E. Gentles
Sent: Monday, December 21, 2020 3:09 PM
To: 'barbara.slattery@ontario.ca.'
Cc: Vince Pugliese; Andrew Miller
Subject: 48214-100 Gore and Hamilton Road EA Notice of Commencement

Good Morning:

Please find attached a digital copy of a Notice of commencement letter notifying you of the Hamilton and Gore Road Environmental Assessment (EA).

The Hamilton Road and Gore Road intersection is a three-legged stop-controlled intersection that has seen a substantial increase in traffic volumes over the years. This study is to evaluate alternative intersection arrangements to improve traffic management and increase safety for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians.

[Gore Road and Hamilton Road Intersection Improvements Environmental Assessment | City of London](#)

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please do not hesitate to contact the persons listed on the Notice of Commencement.

Regards,

Client First | Right Solution | Work Together Zenova Gentles, B.Sc
Administrative Assistant
Kitchener x1359



February 8, 2021
MTE File No.: 48214-100



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Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
AODA	Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act
EA	Environmental Assessment
PFR	Project File Report
PIC	Public Information Centre
TVDSB	Thames Valley District School Board
UTRCA	Upper Thames River Conservation Authority

1.0 Introduction

MTE Consultants Inc. (MTE) has been retained by the City of London to complete an Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection that includes a review of the traffic flow volumes, roadway geometrics and identification of the optimal intersection solution. The main objectives of the project are:

- To improve efficient traffic flow;
- Enhance safety for all transportation modes; and
- Improve underground infrastructure to allow for development.

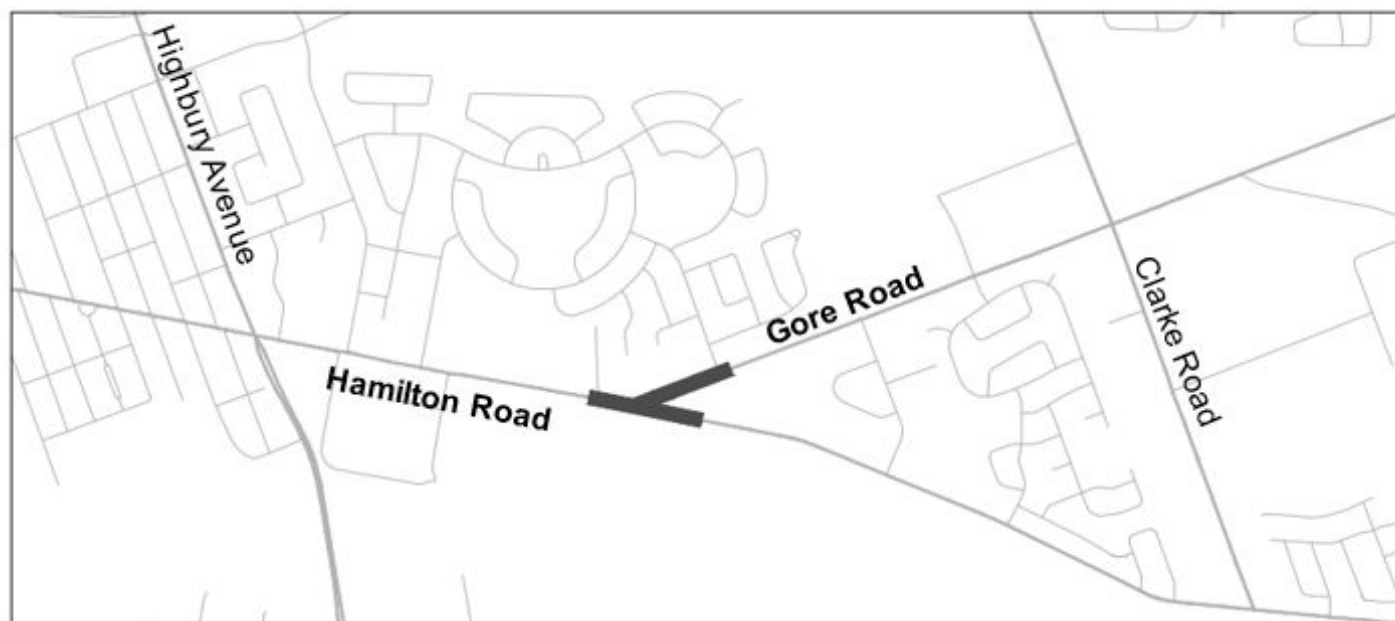


Figure 1. Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Location

This figure illustrates the limits of the study area at the intersection of Hamilton Road and Gore Road, with Highbury Avenue identified to the west and Clarke Road identified to the east to reference the location.

The roads included in the study meet at a wye-shaped intersection which is the western termination point of Gore Road, necessitating either a left or right turn. The posted speed limits are 50 km/hr. An abandoned commercial property is present in the east corner of the intersection and a hydro corridor is present approximately parallel to Gore Road. An entrance roadway to the Pottersburg Pollution Control facility, the Pottersburg Off-Leash Dog Park and an entrance to the Thames Valley Parkway is also present, which connects to Hamilton Road immediately east of the Hamilton Road and Gore Road intersection. The

objective of the project is to complete Phases 1 through 4 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Planning and Design Process.

The four Phases are as follows:

1. Problem or Opportunity Statement
2. Alternative Solutions
3. Alternative Design Concepts for the Preferred Solution
4. Project File Report

Additionally, the project will deliver a 30% preliminary engineering design along with the PFR document.

2.0 Communications Plan

2.1 Purpose of this Communication Plan

This report outlines a Communications Plan for the implementation of the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the City of London. The purpose of the plan is to provide guidance to the project team as to means, frequency and manner in which the project team will engage with the public and each other. This plan will also identify project stakeholders, issues that are likely to be of interest, and methods of informing and soliciting input.

2.2 Objectives

The objective of the communications plan is to engage the public as early in the project as possible and enlist their participation in advance of key decision points throughout the process, ultimately reducing the potential for objections to the project. The objectives of the plan are:

- Identify project stakeholders, including the interested public, adjacent land owners, First Nations, regulatory agencies and utilities;
- Inform the general public and project stakeholders of the project commencement, progress, findings and recommendations;
- Solicit input from interested public and project stakeholders regarding project alternatives, environmental impacts and recommendations; and

- Solicit input from regulatory agencies to comply with relevant policies and obtain approvals in principal for the project.

2.3 Project Stakeholders

The study team will identify, update and maintain a list of key project stakeholders and their potential interests based on the characteristics and background of the study area. A preliminary list of the key stakeholders and their potential interest is provided below in **Table 1**.

Table 1

This table depicts the typical stakeholders included in the project. This list is not exhaustive and additional stakeholders may be identified throughout the study.

Stakeholder	Potential Interests
Area Property Owners	Within the project limits on Hamilton Road and Gore Road · Property Impacts and adjacent area · Changes to road alignment · Traffic Impacts
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks	Environmental assessments and Approvals
Ministry of Natural Resources and Fisheries	Proximity to Thames River
Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport	Archaeology and cultural heritage resources within the study area
First Nations	Traditional use of land and resources within the study area
Upper Thames River Conservation Authority (UTRCA)	Impacts on flood plains/regulated areas and endangered species
Utilities (Hydro One, London Hydro, Bell Canada, Union Gas (Enbridge), Rogers)	Utility relocation and/or protection requirements
Various City of London Departments	Coordination of design alternatives - planning, operations at treatment plant
Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB)	Impact on bus routes and transportation corridors

A mailing list of all relevant technical and regulatory agencies, First Nations, and utilities has been prepared. The project mailing list is included in **Appendix A**.

These mailing lists were provided by the City of London and will be updated based on responses/feedback received throughout the project. The mailing list is considered a living document and is open to the addition of stakeholders at any stage of the project. The list of adjacent property owners is not intended for public distribution, to respect the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

2.3.1 Indigenous Community Correspondence

The City of London has indicated that they will initiate correspondence with First Nations with an interest in the study area. Any correspondence received by the consultant or sub-consultants will be directed to the City of London, and all outgoing correspondence will come from City of London staff.

2.4 Consultation Methods

The consultation approach for the project can be described in five general categories namely public notification, stakeholders and agency meetings, workshops, public information centres, and project website. The consultation methods proposed in each category are detailed in the subsections below.

2.4.1 Public Notification

Public Notices will be prepared at the appropriate stages of the study as per the requirements and guidelines of the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (2000, as amended in 2007, 2011, and 2015).

Each of the following public notices will be advertised by the City of London in two separate issues of the Londoner newspaper with circulation in the study area and on a project specific webpage on the City's website:

- Notice of Study Commencement;
- Notice of Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 1 to invite public comment on the need assessment, alternative solutions and potential environmental impacts; and
- Notice of Study Completion to invite public review of the Environmental Study Report.

The above notices will also be published on the City's webpage.

A copy of each notice will be mailed to landowners and dropped off to properties adjacent to the study corridor. A copy will also be mailed to technical/regulatory agencies, relevant First Nations and utility companies. Letters will accompany the notices sent to First Nations groups and technical agencies/utilities to provide additional background. Copy of the letter is provided in **Appendix B**.

In addition to the public notices, preliminary base plans will be mailed to relevant utility companies early in the study to identify the location of utilities and the potential need for relocation or protection.

The Notice of Study Commencement is provided in **Appendix B**.

2.4.2 Public Information Centres

The PIC planned for this study will be held during Phase 3 of the Class EA Process. The purpose of the PIC will be to provide the public and project stakeholders with an opportunity to review key issues and constraints within the study area, an assessment of alternative solutions to identified problems, and next steps of the Class EA process.

Format of the Public Information Centre

The PIC will be virtual and consist of a recorded presentation to explain the project and the steps of the study. The PIC presentation will be hosted on the City's project webpage and will include additional text and photo details to supplement the presentation. Comments will be submitted digitally through the City's online comments portal.

2.4.3 Project Website

The City will create a dedicated webpage on the getinvolved.london.ca website for the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection EA study. The City will post electronic copies of the PIC materials to the City's webpage at the time of each PIC. The webpage address will appear in the newspaper notices so that any interested members of the public can have access to the information. All documentation provided to the City for posting will be AODA compliant. Hardcopies can be made available upon request for those who do not have access to the Internet.

The project webpage will be used regularly (approximately monthly) throughout the project to provide updates, design options, and project details to stakeholders.

2.4.4 Public Review Period

A Project File Report will be prepared at the end of the study to document the Schedule B Class EA planning process, consultation efforts, study findings and final recommendation for public review and comments. The Project File Report format is proposed to be as follows:

Title Page

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Executive Summary

Chapter 1 – Introduction and Background

Chapter 2 – Existing Conditions within Study Area

Chapter 3 – Study Approach and Problem Statement

Chapter 4 – Streetscape Vision and Workshop findings and recommendations

Chapter 5 – Alternative Solutions: Analysis and Evaluation

Chapter 6 – Alternative Design Concepts and Methods for the Preferred Alternative

Chapter 7 – Project Description of Recommended Alternative, Construction Method and Cost Estimate

Chapter 8 – Implementation and Monitoring

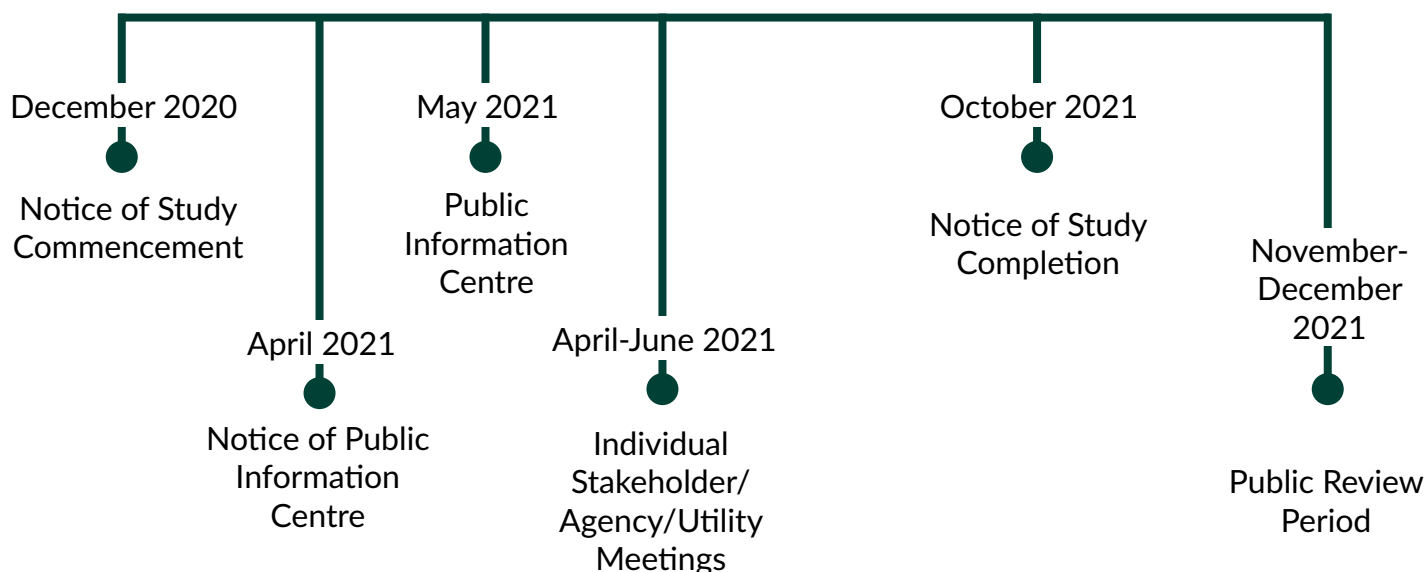
- Bibliography
- Glossary
- List of Exhibits
- Plates and or Drawings
- Appendices

2.4.5 Timing of Consultation Activities

The consultation activities described in this report will take place following the results of technical findings and in advance of key decision points of the process. This timing will ensure that the public is well informed of the study team's rationale for the project and will have an opportunity to provide meaningful input before decisions are made. Activities will be implemented as per the approximate timing below, in conjunction with the Class EA process and overall project schedule.

Schedule

The following depicts an approximate timeline of activities throughout the project.



2.4.6 Handling of Public Comments

Throughout the EA process, the consultant will be responsible for tracking and maintaining comments from all stakeholders and the public. The consultant has prepared a comment tracking table that will indicate the timing of the comments, the nature of each comment, and the status of the response to each comment. All responses will be prepared by the consultant and reviewed by the City prior to being distributed. The consultant will ensure that comments are responded to as necessary and in a timely manner, and ensure that the comment tracking form is included as part of the PFR. A draft of the comment tracking table is attached for reference (**Appendix C**). The general public will be advised that all comments, with the exception of personal information, will become part of the public record.

3.0 Next Steps

The project team will constantly re-evaluate the changing environment with respect to COVID-19, and how it may impact the Municipal Class EA process. Any additional meetings, or work that is outside the current scope of the project will be identified, scoped and agreed to by the City of London before proceeding. The costs of the additional work will be presented as formal engineering scope changes and must be approved by the City's Project Manager.

All of which is respectfully submitted,
MTE Consultants Inc.

Vince Pugliese, P.Eng., MBA, PMP

Project Manager

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AGENCY COMMUNICATIONS LOG								
COMPANY/ ORGANIZATION	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	TITLE	DIVISION / DEPARTMENT	COMMUNICATION SENT	DATE SENT	AGENCY RESPONSE(S)	ACTION(S) TAKEN
ADVISORY COMMITTEES / INTEREST GROUPS								
Upper Thames Conservation Authority	Tracy	Annett	Environmental Planning and Regulations Manager		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20		
	Brent	Verscheure	Land Use Regulations Officer					
Residents								
FIRST NATIONS								
Bkejwanong Territory Walpole Island FN -	Charles	Sampson	Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Dean	Jacobs	Consultation Manager	*Notice of PIC also sent to Janet Macbeth	Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Adrian	Chrisjohn	Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Environment	Department			Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
Munsee Delaware Nation	Mark	Peters	Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Carol	Antone	Executive Assistant	*Notice of PIC also sent to 'consultation'	Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
Kettle and Stoney Point FN	Jason	Henry	Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Valerie	George	Community Consult		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
Delaware Nation	Denise	Stonefish	Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
Chippewas of the Thames FN	Jacqueline	French	Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Consultation		Consultation Email		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21	response received from Fallon Burch, Consultation Coordinator acknowledging notice.	
	Robyn	Perkins	(Acting)Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Nikki	Orosz	Director of Operations	sent to consultation coordinator	Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
Aamjiwnaang First Nation	Chris	Plain	Chief		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
	Sharilyn	Johnson	Environment Coordinator		Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
GOVERNMENT - FEDERAL								
Environment Canada	Rob	Dobos	Manager	Ontario Region	Notice of Commencement Notice of PIC	21-Dec-20 9-Jun-21		
GOVERNMENT - MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION, AND PARKS								

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Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks	Rob	Wrigley	District Manager	London Office	Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Lee	Orphan	Director	SouthWest Region	Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Kathleen	O Neill	Director	Environmental Assessment	Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Crystal	LaFrance	Acting EA Coordinator		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
GOVERNMENT - MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND FORESTRY								
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry	Tammy	Verhaeghe	District Manager	Guelph District Office	Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Jennifer	Harvard	Land and Waters Technical Specialist	Guelph District Office	Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	General Planning				Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20	March 3, 2021 - Received response from mark Badali, Environemtnal Assessment Coordinator providing supporting documents	
Notice of PIC					9-Jun-21			

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CITY OF LONDON								
City of London	Michael	van Holst	Ward 1 Councillor		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	10-Jun-21		
	Kelly	Scherr	Managing Director, Environmental & Engineering Services and City Engineer		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	10-Jun-21		
	Scott	Mathers	Director Water and Wastewater		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Aaron	Rozentals	Division Manager, Water Engineering		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Doug	MacRae	Director, Roads and Transportation		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Andrew	MacPherson	Division Manager, Parks Planning and Operations		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
					Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21		
	Cathy	Saunders	City Clerk		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
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	Ashley	Rammeloo	Sewer Engineering Division Manager		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
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	Greg	Barrett	Director, City Planning and City Planner		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
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	Michael	Fabro	City Planning, Manager, Sustainability and Resiliency		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
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Geordie	Gauld	Division Manager, Wastewater Treatment Operations		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20			
				Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21			
Ryan	Craven	Community Neighbourhood Groups Representative		Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20			
				Notice of PIC	9-Jun-21			
HYDRO ONE								
	Joan	Zhao			Notice of Commencement	21-Dec-20		
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	Land Use Planning							
LONDON TRANSIT								
	K	Burns						
MIDDLESEX LONDON HEALTH UNIT								
	health@mlhu.on.ca							
THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD								
	Ben	Puzanov	Manager of Planning		Notice of Study Commenement	21-Dec-20	Ben responded asking us to include Carlos Henriquez in circulation	Carlos Henriquez added to mailing list, as well as Chris Yeo.
OTHER RESPONSES								
	Liam	Browne	Project Manager/ Staff Archaeologist	The Museum of Ontario Archaeology	Notice of Study Commencement	21-Dec-20	Want informaton on Study Area for Stage 1 Assessment. Share preliminary mapping of the study area limits	Andrew Miller responded
	Holly	Martelle						

Appendix A2

Municipal and Agency Communications

Yanchuk, Paul

From: Yanchuk, Paul
Sent: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 9:01 AM
To: adrian.chrisjohn@oneida.on.ca
Cc: environment@oneida.on.ca
Subject: City of London – Notice of PIC - Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
Attachments: Gore_Hamilton EA_Notice of PIC.pdf

Sheko:li Chief Adrian Chrisjohn,

The City of London has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for improvements to the intersection of Hamilton Road and Gore Road (see map in the attached Notice of PIC). The City identified the need to accommodate the increasing amount of traffic and address the mobility and safety concerns of pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists at this intersection.

An introduction to this study was sent to you via email on December 22, 2020. The purpose of today's email is to notify you of the upcoming Public Information Centre (PIC). The Online PIC will present the identified problems and opportunities, existing conditions, alternative solutions, a preliminary preferred alternative, and next steps.

To protect everyone's health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, this PIC is being held using a virtual format and will be hosted by the City of London as a live, public webinar via videoconference using the Zoom platform, on **June 24, 2021 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.** During this meeting, the project team will present the PIC materials and solicit feedback from attendees. A link to the meeting will be provided on the City of London's Get Involved website, at <https://getinvolved.london.ca/gorehamilton>. The webinar will also be recorded and available for your review on the project website starting June 25, 2021.

We recognize that not everyone will be able to access this information online. If you require any special accommodation to access the project information or online material, we will work together to best share the information with you.

If you would prefer a meeting with City staff, that could also be arranged. Please contact me at your earliest convenience if you are interested in such a meeting. I can be reached by phone at 519-661-2489, ext. 2563 or by email pyanchuk@london.ca.

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Yanchuk, Paul

From: Yanchuk, Paul
Sent: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 9:03 AM
To: chief.plain@aamjiwnaang.ca
Cc: sjohnston@aamjiwnaang.ca
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Aanii Chief Charles Sampson,

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Koolamalsi Chief Mark Peters,

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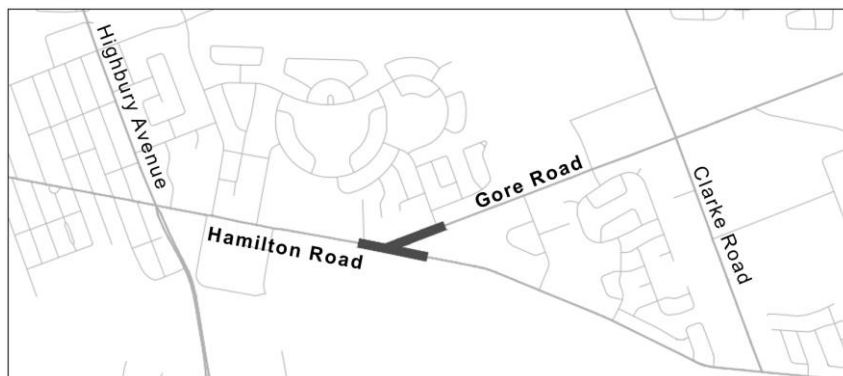
Dear Lana Kegel:

RE: Hamilton Road & Gore Road Intersection – Hydro One Review

MTE Consultants Inc. was retained by the City of London to provide engineering services for conducting the Municipal Class Environment Assessment (EA) for the reconstruction of the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection. Hamilton Road and Gore Road converge in the south eastern portion of London, where both roads act as routes into the downtown core. In recent years, the intersection has seen a number of collisions to go along with reports of near misses and excessive speeds. The City has initiated a Schedule 'B' Class EA to develop and evaluate alternatives for improving the safety and function of the intersection. Hamilton Road is currently a 2 lane roadway at the intersection of Gore Road, and widens to 4 lanes west of the intersection. The City's Transportation Master Plan indicates that Hamilton Road will undergo a separate EA to evaluate the need for widening to 4 lanes through the Gore Road intersection. Gore Road is currently a 2 lane road, and the City currently has no plans for widening. At the current stage, this EA will assume the results of the City's Transportation Master Plan which indicates possible widening to 4 lanes.

Currently, Hamilton Road and Gore Road meet at approximately a 45 degree angle, making vehicle movements at the intersection a challenge, specifically the left turn movement from Gore Road to Hamilton Road. Also included within the study area for this project is the driveway to the Adelaide Waste Water Treatment Plant, which also provides access to Pottersburg Park, Meadowlily trails, and a leash free dog park. Figure 1 shows the location of the study area within the City.

Figure 1: Location Plan



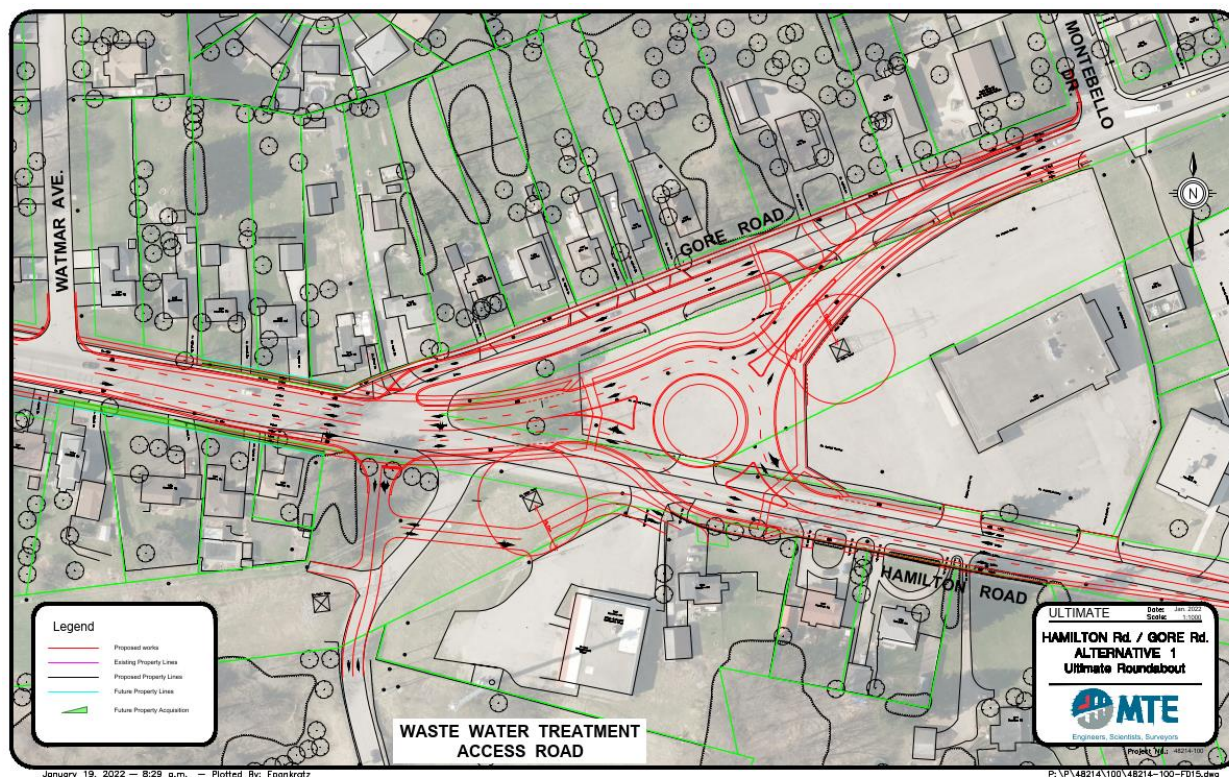
Through the EA process, three (3) alternatives were evaluated for the intersection:

Alternative 1 – Conversion to a Roundabout

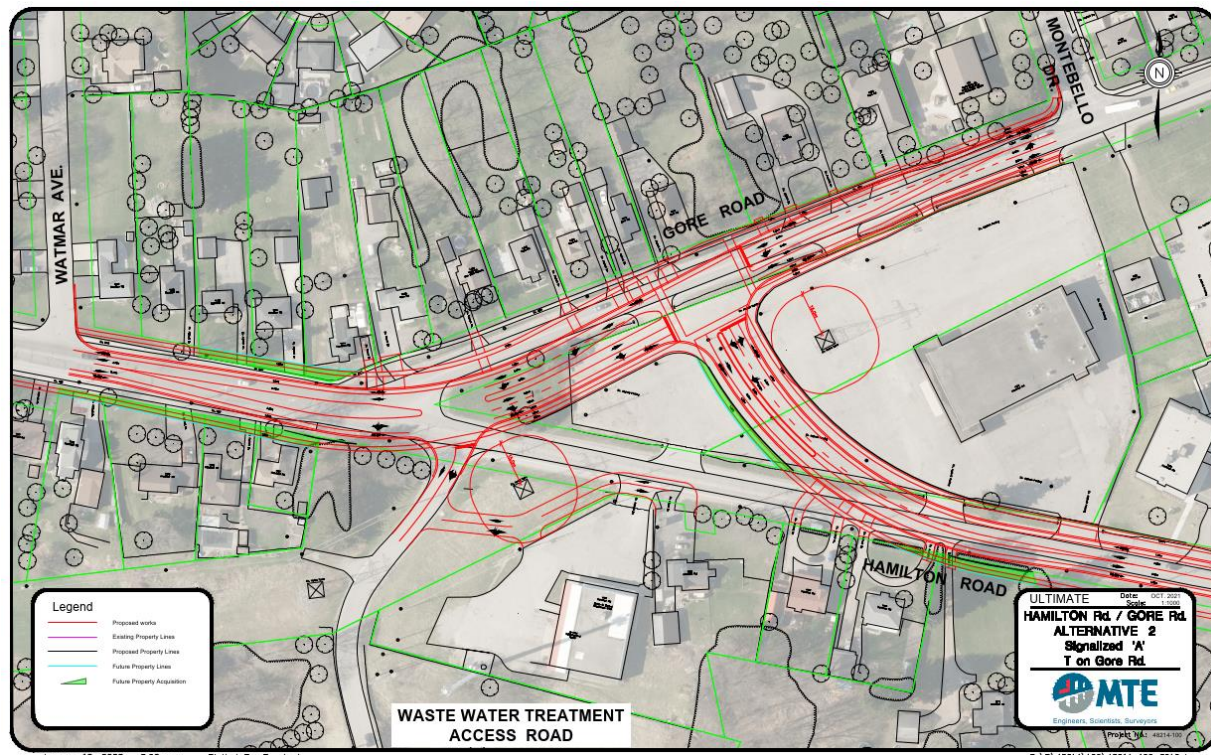
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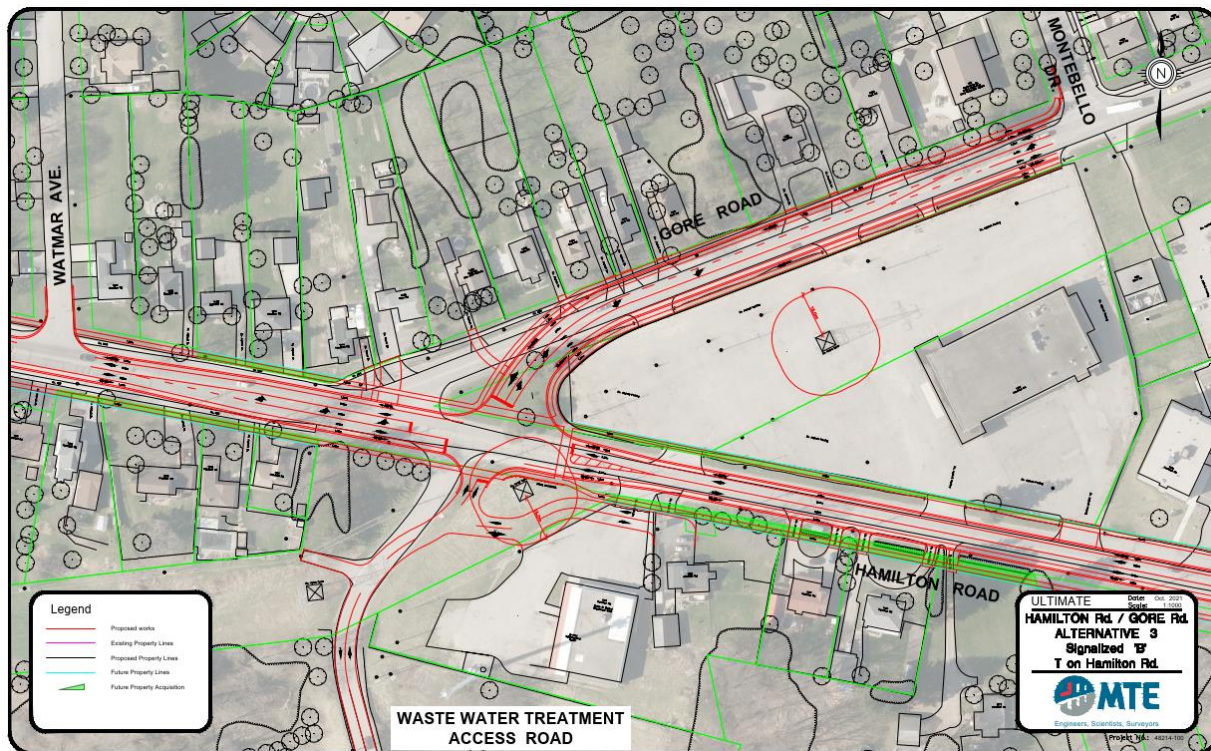
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Quantitative and qualitative evaluation comparing the three alternatives was completed on the 3 alternatives, considering capital costs, as well as life cycle, injury and collision costs. The results indicated that Alternative 1 was the preferred alternative, as it provides the highest level of service in the short and long term, and scores very high in terms of safety.

A main component of the evaluation was the impact to London Hydro, and Hydro One infrastructure. Alternative 2 did not meet the long term traffic needs for the corridor, and alternative 3 was also not found to be preferred through the evaluation process as it did not address traffic calming.

The roundabout is a three leg design with single lane entries on the north and east legs and a dual lane entry on the west leg. The inscribed circle diameter (ICD) is 50m for the dual lane and 45m in the single lane portion, with circulatory road widths of 9.0m and 6.5m respectively. The design can accommodate a bus turning without rolling over the island curb and a WB-20 transport truck with the aid of the truck apron for the trailer tracking.

At this stage of the EA process, the City wishes to have Hydro One review the proposed roundabout design. In anticipation of the Hydro One review, we have advanced the detailed design of the roundabout so that it is acceptable for review. The City would like Hydro One to complete its review and provide comment, prior to presenting the preferred alternative to the public. The detailed design drawings for review are attached.

We trust that the attached drawings meet the Hydro One submission requirements, and we look forward to your review. The comments provided by Hydro One will be included in the final evaluation of the preferred alternative for the intersection of Hamilton Road and Gore Road, and will be included in the Project File.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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Technical Considerations for Hydro One Electrical Transmission Corridors

Your project may involve proposed works on Hydro One electrical transmission corridors or rights-of-way (ROW). Hydro One strives to work with proponents to review secondary land use proposals on the ROWs so that they are compatible with the safety and maintenance requirements of its high-voltage equipment. The Hydro One transmission network can consist of steel lattice towers, monopoles, twin wood poles, overhead conductors.

When preparing a proposal, there are a number of technical considerations that should be kept in mind. A number of these are outlined below. Please note that this is not intended to be a comprehensive list of requirements, but aims to serve as a guideline to prepare a proposal. Reviews for each proposal are conducted individually by Hydro One and may require several weeks or months to complete depending on the complexity of the proposal.

Technical Considerations:

Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management

- Grading changes must not result in standing water anywhere along the corridor, and especially not within 15m radial zone of transmission structures.
- No fill material may be placed on the ROW without written approval from Hydro One.
- Catch basins that are not positioned within a paved roadway are not permitted.
- Stormwater management (SWM) ponds placed under 115 and 230 kV transmission lines cannot exceed two-thirds of the corridor width.
- SWM ponds under 500 kV transmission lines cannot exceed one-third of the corridor width.
- SWM ponds must be designed to withstand the effects of 100-year storm conditions.

Roads and Parking

- Roads crossing the ROW should be perpendicular to the hydro corridor.
- Roads off ROW should stay 15m clear of transmission structures.
- Curb cuts or access gates should be provided for Hydro One maintenance vehicles.
- Parking facilities on 115 kV and 230 kV ROWs should be restricted to passenger vehicles only. Large truck and trailer parking is generally not permitted.
- Parking facilities are generally not permitted under 500 kV ROWs.
- Transmission towers near roads and parking areas must be protected by standard highway barriers.

Vertical Clearances

- Transmission conductors (wires) are dynamic in nature. They can sag lower to the ground depending on parameters such as ambient temperature and operating conditions.
- Minimum vertical clearances must be maintained from the maximum design sag levels of the conductors (worst-case scenario). Hydro One will review these clearances as they are case-specific and not immediately apparent by observation alone.

Access to Structures

- An unhindered, minimum 6-metre wide access path to facilities on the corridor must be provided for maintenance vehicles.
- A 15-metre clear working radius around transmission structures is required in order to maintain access for vehicles carrying out routine maintenance.
- A 3-metre radius around each tower footing must be left unpaved for access to the footing.

Pipelines & Underground Facilities

- All underground facilities must be designed to withstand the loading conditions created by heavy maintenance vehicles that may be used by Hydro One.
- The ROW must be restored to pre-construction condition once the project is completed.
- Excavation using heavy machinery is prohibited within 10 metres of tower footings to protect foundations. Within 10 metres, excavation must be carried out by hand or by use of a VAC system.
- Pipelines on ROWs must adhere to the provisions of CSA Standard C22.3 No. 6.

Landscape Plantings

- Plantings which grow to a maturity height over 4 metres are not permitted on the ROW. Hydro One has a 'Compatible Species List' which can be provided. It must be noted that plantings should not be planted in such a way as to impede access to the transmission towers. An area of 15 metres around transmission towers should be kept clear of shrubs to permit Hydro One access to towers.

Other Requirements

- Buildings and permanent structures are not permitted on corridor lands.
- Flammable or hazardous materials may not be stored on ROWs.
- Consideration should be given to minimizing the use of conductive (metallic) material where alternatives exist (e.g. fences).
- The proponent is responsible for all costs of modifying, relocating, or monitoring Hydro One assets as a result of the proposal.
- Grounding studies, induction studies, spark discharge and / or step touch potential studies may be required to confirm that the proposal will not conflict with the Hydro One electrical infrastructure. The cost of these studies, our review of the completed studies, and any mitigation measures required as a result of these studies, will be borne by the Proponent.

Property Rights: Who is the landowner?

- Transmission corridor lands can be owned by private landowners, Municipalities, Province of Ontario (Infrastructure Ontario), railway companies, and First Nations and Métis communities.
- Hydro One Networks Inc. owns the transmission components/network.
- Hydro One Networks Inc. has rights either registered on land title or by legislation to operate the transmission network.

Property Rights: What Agreements do you require?

Contact Hydro One Real Estate Services at 1.888.231.6657 for the Real Estate Coordinator for your municipality. The Real Estate Coordinator arranges for Hydro One review of your proposal, advises of documentation and provides the Agreements.

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Cc: Wrigley, Rob (MECP)
Subject: RE: 48214-100 Hamilton and Gore Road EA - Notice of Commencement

Good afternoon,

Please find attached letter of acknowledgement and supporting attachments in response to the Notice of Commencement of this Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection in the City of London.

Best regards,

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Cc: Andrew Miller <AMiller@mte85.com>; Vince Pugliese <VPugliese@mte85.com>

Subject: 48214-100 Hamilton and Gore Road EA - Notice of Commencement

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Good Morning:

Please find attached a digital copy of a Notice of commencement letter notifying you of the Hamilton and Gore Road Environmental Assessment (EA).

The Hamilton Road and Gore Road intersection is a three-legged stop-controlled intersection that has seen a substantial increase in traffic volumes over the years. This study is to evaluate alternative intersection arrangements to improve traffic management and increase safety for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians.

[Gore Road and Hamilton Road Intersection Improvements Environmental Assessment | City of London](#)

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please do not hesitate to contact the persons listed on the Notice of Commencement.

Regards,

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Response to Notice of Commencement**

Dear Vince Pugliese & Paul Yanchuk,

This letter is in response to the Notice of Commencement for the above noted project. The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) acknowledges that the City of London (proponent) has indicated that the study is following the approved environmental planning process for a Schedule B project under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA).

The **updated (February 2021)** attached "Areas of Interest" document provides guidance regarding the ministry's interests with respect to the Class EA process. Please address all areas of interest in the EA documentation at an appropriate level for the EA study. Proponents who address all the applicable areas of interest can minimize potential delays to the project schedule. **Further information is provided at the end of the Areas of Interest document relating to recent changes to the Environmental Assessment Act through Bill 197, Covid-19 Economic Recovery Act 2020.**

The Crown has a legal duty to consult Aboriginal communities when it has knowledge, real or constructive, of the existence or potential existence of an Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that may adversely impact that right. Before authorizing this project, the Crown must ensure that its duty to consult has been fulfilled, where such a duty is triggered. Although the duty to consult with Aboriginal peoples is a duty of the Crown, the Crown may delegate procedural aspects of this duty to project proponents while retaining oversight of the consultation process.

The proposed project may have the potential to affect Aboriginal or treaty rights protected under Section 35 of Canada's *Constitution Act* 1982. Where the Crown's duty to consult is triggered in relation to the proposed project, **the MECP is delegating the procedural aspects of rights-based consultation to the proponent through this letter.** The Crown intends to rely on the delegated consultation process in discharging its duty to consult and maintains the right to participate in the consultation process as it sees fit.

Based on information provided to date and the Crown's preliminary assessment the proponent is required to consult with the following communities who have been identified as potentially affected by the proposed project:

- Aamjiwnaang First Nation
- Bkejwanong (Walpole Island)
- Caldwell First Nation
- Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point
- Chippewas of the Thames First Nation
- Oneida Nation of the Thames
- Munsee-Delaware Nation

Steps that the proponent may need to take in relation to Aboriginal consultation for the proposed project are outlined in the "[Code of Practice for Consultation in Ontario's Environmental Assessment Process](#)". Additional information related to Ontario's Environmental Assessment Act is available online at: www.ontario.ca/environmentalassessments.

Please also refer to the attached document "A Proponent's Introduction to the Delegation of Procedural Aspects of consultation with Aboriginal Communities" for further information, including the MECP's expectations for EA report documentation related to consultation with communities.

The proponent must contact the Director of Environmental Assessment Branch (EABDirector@ontario.ca) under the following circumstances subsequent to initial discussions with the communities identified by MECP:

- Aboriginal or treaty rights impacts are identified to you by the communities
- You have reason to believe that your proposed project may adversely affect an Aboriginal or treaty right
- Consultation with Indigenous communities or other stakeholders has reached an impasse
- A Part II Order request is expected on the basis of impacts to Aboriginal or treaty rights

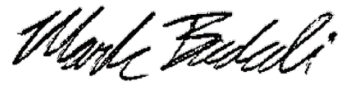
The MECP will then assess the extent of any Crown duty to consult for the circumstances and will consider whether additional steps should be taken, including what role you will be asked to play should additional steps and activities be required.

A draft copy of the report should be sent directly to me prior to the filing of the final report, allowing a minimum of 30 days for the ministry's technical reviewers to provide comments.

Please also ensure a copy of the final notice is sent to the ministry's Southwest Region EA notification email account (eanotification.swregion@ontario.ca) after the draft report is reviewed and finalized.

Should you or any members of your project team have any questions regarding the material above, please contact me at mark.badali1@ontario.ca.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Badali". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" and last name "Badali" clearly distinguishable.

Mark Badali
Regional Environmental Assessment Coordinator – Southwest Region

cc Rob Wrigley, Manager, London District Office, MECP

Attach: Areas of Interest

A Proponent's Introduction to the Delegation of Procedural Aspects of Consultation with
Aboriginal Communities

AREAS OF INTEREST (v. February 2021)

It is suggested that you check off each section after you have considered / addressed it.

☐ Planning and Policy

- Projects located in MECP Central Region are subject to [A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe \(2020\)](#). Parts of the study area may also be subject to the [Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan \(2017\)](#), [Niagara Escarpment Plan \(2017\)](#), [Greenbelt Plan \(2017\)](#) or [Lake Simcoe Protection Plan \(2014\)](#). Applicable plans and the applicable policies should be identified in the report, and the proponent should describe how the proposed project adheres to the relevant policies in these plans.
- The [Provincial Policy Statement \(2020\)](#) contains policies that protect Ontario's natural heritage and water resources. Applicable policies should be referenced in the report, and the proponent should describe how the proposed project is consistent with these policies.
- In addition to the provincial planning and policy level, the report should also discuss the planning context at the municipal and federal levels, as appropriate.

☐ Source Water Protection

The *Clean Water Act*, 2006 (CWA) aims to protect existing and future sources of drinking water. To achieve this, several types of vulnerable areas have been delineated around surface water intakes and wellheads for every municipal residential drinking water system that is located in a source protection area. These vulnerable areas are known as a Wellhead Protection Areas (WHPAs) and surface water Intake Protection Zones (IPZs). Other vulnerable areas that have been delineated under the CWA include Highly Vulnerable Aquifers (HVAs), Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas (SGRAs), Event-based modelling areas (EBAs), and Issues Contributing Areas (ICAs). Source protection plans have been developed that include policies to address existing and future risks to sources of municipal drinking water within these vulnerable areas.

Projects that are subject to the Environmental Assessment Act that fall under a Class EA, or one of the Regulations, have the potential to impact sources of drinking water if they occur in designated vulnerable areas or in the vicinity of other at-risk drinking water systems (i.e. systems that are not municipal residential systems). MEA Class EA projects may include activities that, if located in a vulnerable area, could be a threat to sources of drinking water (i.e. have the potential to adversely affect the quality or quantity of drinking water sources) and the activity could therefore be subject to policies in a source protection plan. Where an activity poses a risk to drinking water, policies in the local source protection plan may impact how or where that activity is undertaken. Policies may prohibit certain activities, or they may require risk management measures for these activities. Municipal Official Plans, planning decisions, Class EA projects (where the project includes an activity that is a threat to drinking water) and prescribed instruments must conform with policies that address significant risks to drinking water and must have regard for policies that address moderate or low risks.

- In October 2015, the MEA Parent Class EA document was amended to include reference to the Clean Water Act (Section A.2.10.6) and indicates that proponents undertaking a Municipal Class EA project must identify early in their process whether a project is or could potentially be occurring with a vulnerable area. **Given this requirement, please include a section in the report on source water protection.**
 - The proponent should identify the source protection area and should clearly document how the proximity of the project to sources of drinking water (municipal or other) and any delineated vulnerable areas was considered and assessed. Specifically, the report should discuss whether or not the project is located in a vulnerable area and provide applicable details about the area.

- If located in a vulnerable area, proponents should document whether any project activities are prescribed drinking water threats and thus pose a risk to drinking water (this should be consulted on with the appropriate Source Protection Authority). Where an activity poses a risk to drinking water, the proponent must document and discuss in the report how the project adheres to or has regard to applicable policies in the local source protection plan. This section should then be used to inform and be reflected in other sections of the report, such as the identification of net positive/negative effects of alternatives, mitigation measures, evaluation of alternatives etc.
- While most source protection plans focused on including policies for significant drinking water threats in the WHPAs and IPZs it should be noted that even though source protection plan policies may not apply in HVAs, these are areas where aquifers are sensitive and at risk to impacts and within these areas, activities may impact the quality of sources of drinking water for systems other than municipal residential systems.
- In order to determine if this project is occurring within a vulnerable area, proponents can use this mapping tool: <http://www.applications.ene.gov.on.ca/swp/en/index.php>. Note that various layers (including WHPAs, WHPA-Q1 and WHPA-Q2, IPZs, HVAs, SGRAs, EBAs, ICAs) can be turned on through the “Map Legend” bar on the left. The mapping tool will also provide a link to the appropriate source protection plan in order to identify what policies may be applicable in the vulnerable area.
- For further information on the maps or source protection plan policies which may relate to their project, proponents must contact the appropriate source protection authority. **Please consult with the local source protection authority to discuss potential impacts on drinking water. Please document the results of that consultation within the report and include all communication documents/correspondence.**

More Information

For more information on the *Clean Water Act*, source protection areas and plans, including specific information on the vulnerable areas and drinking water threats, please refer to [Conservation Ontario's website](#) where you will also find links to the local source protection plan/assessment report.

A list of the prescribed drinking water threats can be found in [section 1.1 of Ontario Regulation 287/07](#) made under the *Clean Water Act*. In addition to prescribed drinking water threats, some source protection plans may include policies to address additional “local” threat activities, as approved by the MECP.

☐ **Climate Change**

The document "[Considering Climate Change in the Environmental Assessment Process](#)" (Guide) is now a part of the Environmental Assessment program's Guides and Codes of Practice. The Guide sets out the MECP's expectation for considering climate change in the preparation, execution and documentation of environmental assessment studies and processes. The guide provides examples, approaches, resources, and references to assist proponents with consideration of climate change in EA. Proponents should review this Guide in detail.

• **The MECP expects proponents of Class EA projects to:**

1. Consider during the assessment of alternative solutions and alternative designs, the following:
 - a. the project's expected production of greenhouse gas emissions and impacts on carbon sinks (climate change mitigation); and
 - b. resilience or vulnerability of the undertaking to changing climatic conditions (climate change adaptation).
2. Include a discrete section in the report detailing how climate change was considered in the EA.

How climate change is considered can be qualitative or quantitative in nature and should be scaled to the project's level of environmental effect. In all instances, both a project's impacts on climate change (mitigation) and impacts of climate change on a project (adaptation) should be considered.

- The MECP has also prepared another guide to support provincial land use planning direction related to the completion of energy and emission plans. The "[Community Emissions Reduction Planning: A Guide for Municipalities](#)" document is designed to educate stakeholders on the municipal opportunities to reduce energy and greenhouse gas emissions, and to provide guidance on methods and techniques to incorporate consideration of energy and greenhouse gas emissions into municipal activities of all types. We encourage you to review the Guide for information.

□ **Air Quality, Dust and Noise**

- If there are sensitive receptors in the surrounding area of this project, a quantitative air quality/odour impact assessment will be useful to evaluate alternatives, determine impacts and identify appropriate mitigation measures. The scope of the assessment can be determined based on the potential effects of the proposed alternatives, and typically includes source and receptor characterization and a quantification of local air quality impacts on the sensitive receptors and the environment in the study area. The assessment will compare to all applicable standards or guidelines for all contaminants of concern. **Please contact this office for further consultation on the level of Air Quality Impact Assessment required for this project if not already advised.**
- If a quantitative Air Quality Impact Assessment is not required for the project, the MECP expects that the report contain a qualitative assessment which includes:
 - A discussion of local air quality including existing activities/sources that significantly impact local air quality and how the project may impact existing conditions;
 - A discussion of the nearby sensitive receptors and the project's potential air quality impacts on present and future sensitive receptors;
 - A discussion of local air quality impacts that could arise from this project during both construction and operation; and
 - A discussion of potential mitigation measures.
- As a common practice, "air quality" should be used an evaluation criterion for all road projects.
- Dust and noise control measures should be addressed and included in the construction plans to ensure that nearby residential and other sensitive land uses within the study area are not adversely affected during construction activities.
- The MECP recommends that non-chloride dust-suppressants be applied. For a comprehensive list of fugitive dust prevention and control measures that could be applied, refer to [Cheminfo Services Inc. Best Practices for the Reduction of Air Emissions from Construction and Demolition Activities](#) report prepared for Environment Canada. March 2005.
- The report should consider the potential impacts of increased noise levels during the operation of the completed project. The proponent should explore all potential measures to mitigate significant noise impacts during the assessment of alternatives.

□ **Ecosystem Protection and Restoration**

- Any impacts to ecosystem form and function must be avoided where possible. The report should describe any proposed mitigation measures and how project planning will protect and enhance the local ecosystem.
- Natural heritage and hydrologic features should be identified and described in detail to assess potential impacts and to develop appropriate mitigation measures. The following sensitive environmental features may be located within or adjacent to the study area:
 - Key Natural Heritage Features: Habitat of endangered species and threatened species, fish habitat, wetlands, areas of natural and scientific interest (ANSIs), significant valleylands,

significant woodlands; significant wildlife habitat (including habitat of special concern species); sand barrens, savannahs, and tallgrass prairies; and alvars.

- Key Hydrologic Features: Permanent streams, intermittent streams, inland lakes and their littoral zones, seepage areas and springs, and wetlands.
- Other natural heritage features and areas such as: vegetation communities, rare species of flora or fauna, Environmentally Sensitive Areas, Environmentally Sensitive Policy Areas, federal and provincial parks and conservation reserves, Greenland systems etc.

We recommend consulting with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and your local conservation authority to determine if special measures or additional studies will be necessary to preserve and protect these sensitive features. In addition, you may consider the provisions of the Rouge Park Management Plan if applicable.

□ **Species at Risk**

- The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks has now assumed responsibility of Ontario's Species at Risk program. Information, standards, guidelines, reference materials and technical resources to assist you are found at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/species-risk>.
- The Client's Guide to Preliminary Screening for Species at Risk (Draft May 2019) has been attached to the covering email for your reference and use. Please review this document for next steps.
- For any questions related to subsequent permit requirements, please contact SAROntario@ontario.ca.

□ **Surface Water**

- The report must include enough information to demonstrate that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or ecological functions of any watercourses within the study area. Measures should be included in the planning and design process to ensure that any impacts to watercourses from construction or operational activities (e.g. spills, erosion, pollution) are mitigated as part of the proposed undertaking.
- Additional stormwater runoff from new pavement can impact receiving watercourses and flood conditions. Quality and quantity control measures to treat stormwater runoff should be considered for all new impervious areas and, where possible, existing surfaces. The ministry's [Stormwater Management Planning and Design Manual \(2003\)](#) should be referenced in the report and utilized when designing stormwater control methods. **A Stormwater Management Plan should be prepared as part of the Class EA process** that includes:
 - Strategies to address potential water quantity and erosion impacts related to stormwater draining into streams or other sensitive environmental features, and to ensure that adequate (enhanced) water quality is maintained
 - Watershed information, drainage conditions, and other relevant background information
 - Future drainage conditions, stormwater management options, information on erosion and sediment control during construction, and other details of the proposed works
 - Information on maintenance and monitoring commitments.
- Ontario Regulation 60/08 under the *Ontario Water Resources Act* (OWRA) applies to the Lake Simcoe Basin, which encompasses Lake Simcoe and the lands from which surface water drains into Lake Simcoe. If the proposed sewage treatment plant is listed in Table 1 of the regulation, the report should describe how the proposed project and its mitigation measures are consistent with the requirements of this regulation and the OWRA.

- Any potential approval requirements for surface water taking or discharge should be identified in the report. A Permit to Take Water (PTTW) under the OWRA will be required for any water takings that exceed 50,000 L/day, except for certain water taking activities that have been prescribed by the Water Taking EASR Regulation – O. Reg. 63/16. These prescribed water-taking activities require registration in the EASR instead of a PTTW. Please review the [Water Taking User Guide for EASR](#) for more information. Additionally, an Environmental Compliance Approval under the OWRA is required for municipal stormwater management works.

☐ **Groundwater**

- The status of, and potential impacts to any well water supplies should be addressed. If the project involves groundwater takings or changes to drainage patterns, the quantity and quality of groundwater may be affected due to drawdown effects or the redirection of existing contamination flows. In addition, project activities may infringe on existing wells such that they must be reconstructed or sealed and abandoned. Appropriate information to define existing groundwater conditions should be included in the report.
- If the potential construction or decommissioning of water wells is identified as an issue, the report should refer to Ontario Regulation 903, Wells, under the OWRA.
- Potential impacts to groundwater-dependent natural features should be addressed. Any changes to groundwater flow or quality from groundwater taking may interfere with the ecological processes of streams, wetlands or other surficial features. In addition, discharging contaminated or high volumes of groundwater to these features may have direct impacts on their function. Any potential effects should be identified, and appropriate mitigation measures should be recommended. The level of detail required will be dependent on the significance of the potential impacts.
- Any potential approval requirements for groundwater taking or discharge should be identified in the report. A Permit to Take Water (PTTW) under the OWRA will be required for any water takings that exceed 50,000 L/day, with the exception of certain water taking activities that have been prescribed by the Water Taking EASR Regulation – O. Reg. 63/16. These prescribed water-taking activities require registration in the EASR instead of a PTTW. Please review the [Water Taking User Guide for EASR](#) for more information.
- Consultation with the railroad authorities is necessary wherever there is a plan to use construction dewatering in the vicinity of railroad lines or where the zone of influence of the construction dewatering potentially intercepts railroad lines.

☐ **Excess Materials Management**

- In December 2019, MECP released a new regulation under the Environmental Protection Act, titled “[On-Site and Excess Soil Management](#)” (O. Reg. 406/19) to support improved management of excess construction soil. This regulation is a key step to support proper management of excess soils, ensuring valuable resources don’t go to waste and to provide clear rules on managing and reusing excess soil. New risk-based standards referenced by this regulation help to facilitate local beneficial reuse which in turn will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from soil transportation, while ensuring strong protection of human health and the environment. The new regulation is being phased in over time, with the first phase in effect on January 1, 2021. For more information, please visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/handling-excess-soil>.
- The report should reference that activities involving the management of excess soil should be completed in accordance with O. Reg. 406/19 and the MECP’s current guidance document titled “[Management of Excess Soil – A Guide for Best Management Practices](#)” (2014).

- All waste generated during construction must be disposed of in accordance with ministry requirements
- **Contaminated Sites**
- Any current or historical waste disposal sites should be identified in the report. The status of these sites should be determined to confirm whether approval pursuant to Section 46 of the EPA may be required for land uses on former disposal sites. We recommend referring to the [MECP's D-4 guideline](#) for land use considerations near landfills and dumps.
 - Resources available may include regional/local municipal official plans and data; provincial data on [large landfill sites](#) and [small landfill sites](#); Environmental Compliance Approval information for waste disposal sites on [Access Environment](#).
 - Other known contaminated sites (local, provincial, federal) in the study area should also be identified in the report (Note – information on federal contaminated sites is found on the Government of Canada's [website](#)).
 - The location of any underground storage tanks should be investigated in the report. Measures should be identified to ensure the integrity of these tanks and to ensure an appropriate response in the event of a spill. The ministry's Spills Action Centre must be contacted in such an event.
 - Since the removal or movement of soils may be required, appropriate tests to determine contaminant levels from previous land uses or dumping should be undertaken. If the soils are contaminated, you must determine how and where they are to be disposed of, consistent with *Part XV.1 of the Environmental Protection Act* (EPA) and Ontario Regulation 153/04, Records of Site Condition, which details the new requirements related to site assessment and clean up. Please contact the appropriate MECP District Office for further consultation if contaminated sites are present.
- **Servicing, Utilities and Facilities**
- The report should identify any above or underground utilities in the study area such as transmission lines, telephone/internet, oil/gas etc. The owners should be consulted to discuss impacts to this infrastructure, including potential spills.
 - The report should identify any servicing infrastructure in the study area such as wastewater, water, stormwater that may potentially be impacted by the project.
 - Any facility that releases emissions to the atmosphere, discharges contaminants to ground or surface water, provides potable water supplies, or stores, transports or disposes of waste must have an Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) before it can operate lawfully. Please consult with MECP's Environmental Permissions Branch to determine whether a new or amended ECA will be required for any proposed infrastructure.
 - We recommend referring to the ministry's [environmental land use planning guides](#) to ensure that any potential land use conflicts are considered when planning for any infrastructure or facilities related to wastewater, pipelines, landfills or industrial uses.
- **Mitigation and Monitoring**
- Contractors must be made aware of all environmental considerations so that all environmental standards and commitments for both construction and operation are met. Mitigation measures should be clearly referenced in the report and regularly monitored during the construction stage of the

project. In addition, we encourage proponents to conduct post-construction monitoring to ensure all mitigation measures have been effective and are functioning properly.

- Design and construction reports and plans should be based on a best management approach that centres on the prevention of impacts, protection of the existing environment, and opportunities for rehabilitation and enhancement of any impacted areas.
- The proponent's construction and post-construction monitoring plans must be documented in the report, as outlined in Section A.2.5 and A.4.1 of the MEA Class EA parent document.

☐ Consultation

- The report must demonstrate how the consultation provisions of the Class EA have been fulfilled, including documentation of all stakeholder consultation efforts undertaken during the planning process. This includes a discussion in the report that identifies concerns that were raised and **describes how they have been addressed by the proponent** throughout the planning process. The report should also include copies of comments submitted on the project by interested stakeholders, and the proponent's responses to these comments (as directed by the Class EA to include full documentation).
- Please include the full stakeholder distribution/consultation list in the documentation.

☐ Class EA Process

- If this project is a Master Plan: there are several different approaches that can be used to conduct a Master Plan, examples of which are outlined in Appendix 4 of the Class EA. **The Master Plan should clearly indicate the selected approach for conducting the plan**, by identifying whether the levels of assessment, consultation and documentation are sufficient to fulfill the requirements for Schedule B or C projects. Please note that any Schedule B or C projects identified in the plan would be subject to Part II Order Requests under the Environmental Assessment Act, although the plan itself would not be. **Please include a description of the approach being undertaken (use Appendix 4 as a reference).**
- If this project is a Master Plan: Any identified projects should also include information on the MCEA schedule associated with the project.
- The report should provide clear and complete documentation of the planning process in order to allow for transparency in decision-making.
- The Class EA requires the consideration of the effects of each alternative on all aspects of the environment (including planning, natural, social, cultural, economic, technical). The report should include a level of detail (e.g. hydrogeological investigations, terrestrial and aquatic assessments, cultural heritage assessments) such that all potential impacts can be identified, and appropriate mitigation measures can be developed. Any supporting studies conducted during the Class EA process should be referenced and included as part of the report.
- Please include in the report a list of all subsequent permits or approvals that may be required for the implementation of the preferred alternative, including but not limited to, MECP's PTTW, EASR Registrations and ECAs, conservation authority permits, species at risk permits, MTO permits and approvals under the *Impact Assessment Act*, 2019.

- Ministry guidelines and other information related to the issues above are available at <http://www.ontario.ca/environment-and-energy/environment-and-energy>. We encourage you to review all the available guides and to reference any relevant information in the report.

Amendments to the EAA through the Covid-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020

Once the EA Report is finalized, the proponent must issue a Notice of Completion providing a minimum 30-day period during which documentation may be reviewed and comment and input can be submitted to the proponent. The Notice of Completion must be sent to the appropriate MECP Regional Office email address (for projects in MECP Southwest Region, the email is eanotification.swregion@ontario.ca).

The public has the ability to request a higher level of assessment on a project if they are concerned about potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. In addition, the Minister may issue an order on his or her own initiative within a specified time period. The Director (of the Environmental Assessment Branch) will issue a Notice of Proposed Order to the proponent if the Minister is considering an order for the project within 30 days after the conclusion of the comment period on the Notice of Completion. At this time, the Director may request additional information from the proponent. Once the requested information has been received, the Minister will have 30 days within which to make a decision or impose conditions on your project.

Therefore, the proponent cannot proceed with the project until at least 30 days after the end of the comment period provided for in the Notice of Completion. Further, the proponent may not proceed after this time if:

- a Part II Order request has been submitted to the ministry regarding potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, or
- the Director has issued a Notice of Proposed order regarding the project.

Please ensure that the Notice of Completion advises that outstanding concerns are to be directed to the proponent for a response, and that in the event there are outstanding concerns regarding potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, Part II Order requests on those matters should be addressed in writing to:

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

and

Director, Environmental Assessment Branch
Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor
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EABDirector@ontario.ca

A PROPONENT'S INTRODUCTION TO THE DELEGATION OF PROCEDURAL ASPECTS OF CONSULTATION WITH ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions are specific to this document and may not apply in other contexts:

Aboriginal communities – the First Nation or Métis communities identified by the Crown for the purpose of consultation.

Consultation – the Crown's legal obligation to consult when the Crown has knowledge of an established or asserted Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that might adversely impact that right. This is the type of consultation required pursuant to s. 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*. Note that this definition does not include consultation with Aboriginal communities for other reasons, such as regulatory requirements.

Crown – the Ontario Crown, acting through a particular ministry or ministries.

Procedural aspects of consultation – those portions of consultation related to the process of consultation, such as notifying an Aboriginal community about a project, providing information about the potential impacts of a project, responding to concerns raised by an Aboriginal community and proposing changes to the project to avoid negative impacts.

Proponent – the person or entity that wants to undertake a project and requires an Ontario Crown decision or approval for the project.

I. PURPOSE

The Crown has a legal duty to consult Aboriginal communities when it has knowledge of an existing or asserted Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that may adversely impact that right. In outlining a framework for the duty to consult, the Supreme Court of Canada has stated that the Crown may delegate procedural aspects of consultation to third parties. This document provides general information about the Ontario Crown's approach to delegation of the procedural aspects of consultation to proponents.

This document is not intended to instruct a proponent about an individual project, and it does not constitute legal advice.

II. WHY IS IT NECESSARY TO CONSULT WITH ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES?

The objective of the modern law of Aboriginal and treaty rights is the *reconciliation* of Aboriginal peoples and non-Aboriginal peoples and their respective rights, claims and interests. Consultation is an important component of the reconciliation process.

The Crown has a legal duty to consult Aboriginal communities when it has knowledge of an existing or asserted Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that might adversely impact that right. For example, the Crown's duty to consult is triggered when it considers issuing a permit, authorization or approval for a project which has the potential to adversely impact an Aboriginal right, such as the right to hunt, fish, or trap in a particular area.

The scope of consultation required in particular circumstances ranges across a spectrum depending on both the nature of the asserted or established right and the seriousness of the potential adverse impacts on that right.

Depending on the particular circumstances, the Crown may also need to take steps to accommodate the potentially impacted Aboriginal or treaty right. For example, the Crown may be required to avoid or minimize the potential adverse impacts of the project.

III. THE CROWN'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE DELEGATED CONSULTATION PROCESS

The Crown has the responsibility for ensuring that the duty to consult, and accommodate where appropriate, is met. However, the Crown may delegate the procedural aspects of consultation to a proponent.

There are different ways in which the Crown may delegate the procedural aspects of consultation to a proponent, including through a letter, a memorandum of understanding, legislation, regulation, policy and codes of practice.

If the Crown decides to delegate procedural aspects of consultation, the Crown will generally:

- Ensure that the delegation of procedural aspects of consultation and the responsibilities of the proponent are clearly communicated to the proponent;
- Identify which Aboriginal communities must be consulted;
- Provide contact information for the Aboriginal communities;
- Revise, as necessary, the list of Aboriginal communities to be consulted as new information becomes available and is assessed by the Crown;
- Assess the scope of consultation owed to the Aboriginal communities;
- Maintain appropriate oversight of the actions taken by the proponent in fulfilling the procedural aspects of consultation;
- Assess the adequacy of consultation that is undertaken and any accommodation that may be required;
- Provide a contact within any responsible ministry in case issues arise that require direction from the Crown; and
- Participate in the consultation process as necessary and as determined by the Crown.

IV. THE PROPONENT'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE DELEGATED CONSULTATION PROCESS

Where aspects of the consultation process have been delegated to a proponent, the Crown, in meeting its duty to consult, will rely on the proponent's consultation activities and documentation of those activities. The consultation process informs the Crown's decision of whether or not to approve a proposed project or activity.

A proponent's role and responsibilities will vary depending on a variety of factors including the extent of consultation required in the circumstance and the procedural aspects of consultation the Crown has delegated to it. Proponents are often in a better position than the Crown to discuss a project and its potential impacts with Aboriginal communities and to determine ways to avoid or minimize the adverse impacts of a project.

A proponent can raise issues or questions with the Crown at any time during the consultation process. If issues or concerns arise during the consultation that cannot be addressed by the proponent, the proponent should contact the Crown.

a) What might a proponent be required to do in carrying out the procedural aspects of consultation?

Where the Crown delegates procedural aspects of consultation, it is often the proponent's responsibility to provide notice of the proposed project to the identified Aboriginal communities. The notice should indicate that the Crown has delegated the procedural aspects of consultation to the proponent and should include the following information:

- a description of the proposed project or activity;
- mapping;
- proposed timelines;
- details regarding anticipated environmental and other impacts;
- details regarding opportunities to comment; and
- any changes to the proposed project that have been made for seasonal conditions or other factors, where relevant.

Proponents should provide enough information and time to allow Aboriginal communities to provide meaningful feedback regarding the potential impacts of the project. Depending on the nature of consultation required for a project, a proponent also may be required to:

- provide the Crown with copies of any consultation plans prepared and an opportunity to review and comment;
- ensure that any necessary follow-up discussions with Aboriginal communities take place in a timely manner, including to confirm receipt of information, share and update information and to address questions or concerns that may arise;
- as appropriate, discuss with Aboriginal communities potential mitigation measures and/or changes to the project in response to concerns raised by Aboriginal communities;
- use language that is accessible and not overly technical, and translate material into Aboriginal languages where requested or appropriate;
- bear the reasonable costs associated with the consultation process such as, but not limited to, meeting hall rental, meal costs, document translation(s), or to address technical & capacity issues;
- provide the Crown with all the details about potential impacts on established or asserted Aboriginal or treaty rights, how these concerns have been considered and addressed by the proponent and the Aboriginal communities and any steps taken to mitigate the potential impacts;
- provide the Crown with complete and accurate documentation from these meetings and communications; and
- notify the Crown immediately if an Aboriginal community not identified by the Crown approaches the proponent seeking consultation opportunities.

b) What documentation and reporting does the Crown need from the proponent?

Proponents should keep records of all communications with the Aboriginal communities involved in the consultation process and any information provided to these Aboriginal communities.

As the Crown is required to assess the adequacy of consultation, it needs documentation to satisfy itself that the proponent has fulfilled the procedural aspects of consultation delegated to it. The documentation required would typically include:

- the date of meetings, the agendas, any materials distributed, those in attendance and copies of any minutes prepared;
- the description of the proposed project that was shared at the meeting;
- any and all concerns or other feedback provided by the communities;
- any information that was shared by a community in relation to its asserted or established Aboriginal or treaty rights and any potential adverse impacts of the proposed activity, approval or disposition on such rights;
- any proposed project changes or mitigation measures that were discussed, and feedback from Aboriginal communities about the proposed changes and measures;
- any commitments made by the proponent in response to any concerns raised, and feedback from Aboriginal communities on those commitments;
- copies of correspondence to or from Aboriginal communities, and any materials distributed electronically or by mail;
- information regarding any financial assistance provided by the proponent to enable participation by Aboriginal communities in the consultation;
- periodic consultation progress reports or copies of meeting notes if requested by the Crown;
- a summary of how the delegated aspects of consultation were carried out and the results; and
- a summary of issues raised by the Aboriginal communities, how the issues were addressed and any outstanding issues.

In certain circumstances, the Crown may share and discuss the proponent's consultation record with an Aboriginal community to ensure that it is an accurate reflection of the consultation process.

c) Will the Crown require a proponent to provide information about its commercial arrangements with Aboriginal communities?

The Crown may require a proponent to share information about aspects of commercial arrangements between the proponent and Aboriginal communities where the arrangements:

- include elements that are directed at mitigating or otherwise addressing impacts of the project;
- include securing an Aboriginal community's support for the project; or
- may potentially affect the obligations of the Crown to the Aboriginal communities.

The proponent should make every reasonable effort to exempt the Crown from confidentiality provisions in commercial arrangements with Aboriginal communities to the extent necessary to allow this information to be shared with the Crown.

The Crown cannot guarantee that information shared with the Crown will remain confidential. Confidential commercial information should not be provided to the Crown as part of the consultation record if it is not relevant to the duty to consult or otherwise required to be submitted to the Crown as part of the regulatory process.

V. WHAT ARE THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES' IN THE CONSULTATION PROCESS?

Like the Crown, Aboriginal communities are expected to engage in consultation in good faith. This includes:

- responding to the consultation notice;
- engaging in the proposed consultation process;
- providing relevant documentation;
- clearly articulating the potential impacts of the proposed project on Aboriginal or treaty rights; and
- discussing ways to mitigate any adverse impacts.

Some Aboriginal communities have developed tools, such as consultation protocols, policies or processes that provide guidance on how they would prefer to be consulted. Although not legally binding, proponents are encouraged to respect these community processes where it is reasonable to do so. Please note that there is no obligation for a proponent to pay a fee to an Aboriginal community in order to enter into a consultation process.

To ensure that the Crown is aware of existing community consultation protocols, proponents should contact the relevant Crown ministry when presented with a consultation protocol by an Aboriginal community or anyone purporting to be a representative of an Aboriginal community.

VI. WHAT IF MORE THAN ONE PROVINCIAL CROWN MINISTRY IS INVOLVED IN APPROVING A PROPONENT'S PROJECT?

Depending on the project and the required permits or approvals, one or more ministries may delegate procedural aspects of the Crown's duty to consult to the proponent. The proponent may contact individual ministries for guidance related to the delegation of procedural aspects of consultation for ministry-specific permits/approvals required for the project in question. Proponents are encouraged to seek input from all involved Crown ministries sooner rather than later.

Client's Guide to Preliminary Screening for Species at Risk

***Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Species at Risk Branch, Permissions and Compliance
DRAFT - May 2019***

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1.0 Purpose, Scope, Background and Context

1.1 Purpose of this Guide

This guide has been created to:

- help clients better understand their obligation to gather information and complete a preliminary screening for species at risk before contacting the ministry,
- outline guidance and advice clients can expect to receive from the ministry at the preliminary screening stage,
- help clients understand how they can gather information about species at risk by accessing publicly available information housed by the Government of Ontario, and
- provide a list of other potential sources of species at risk information that exist outside the Government of Ontario.

It remains the client's responsibility to:

- carry out a preliminary screening for their projects,
- obtain best available information from all applicable information sources,
- conduct any necessary field studies or inventories to identify and confirm the presence or absence of species at risk or their habitat,
- consider any potential impacts to species at risk that a proposed activity might cause, and
- comply with the *Endangered Species Act* (ESA).

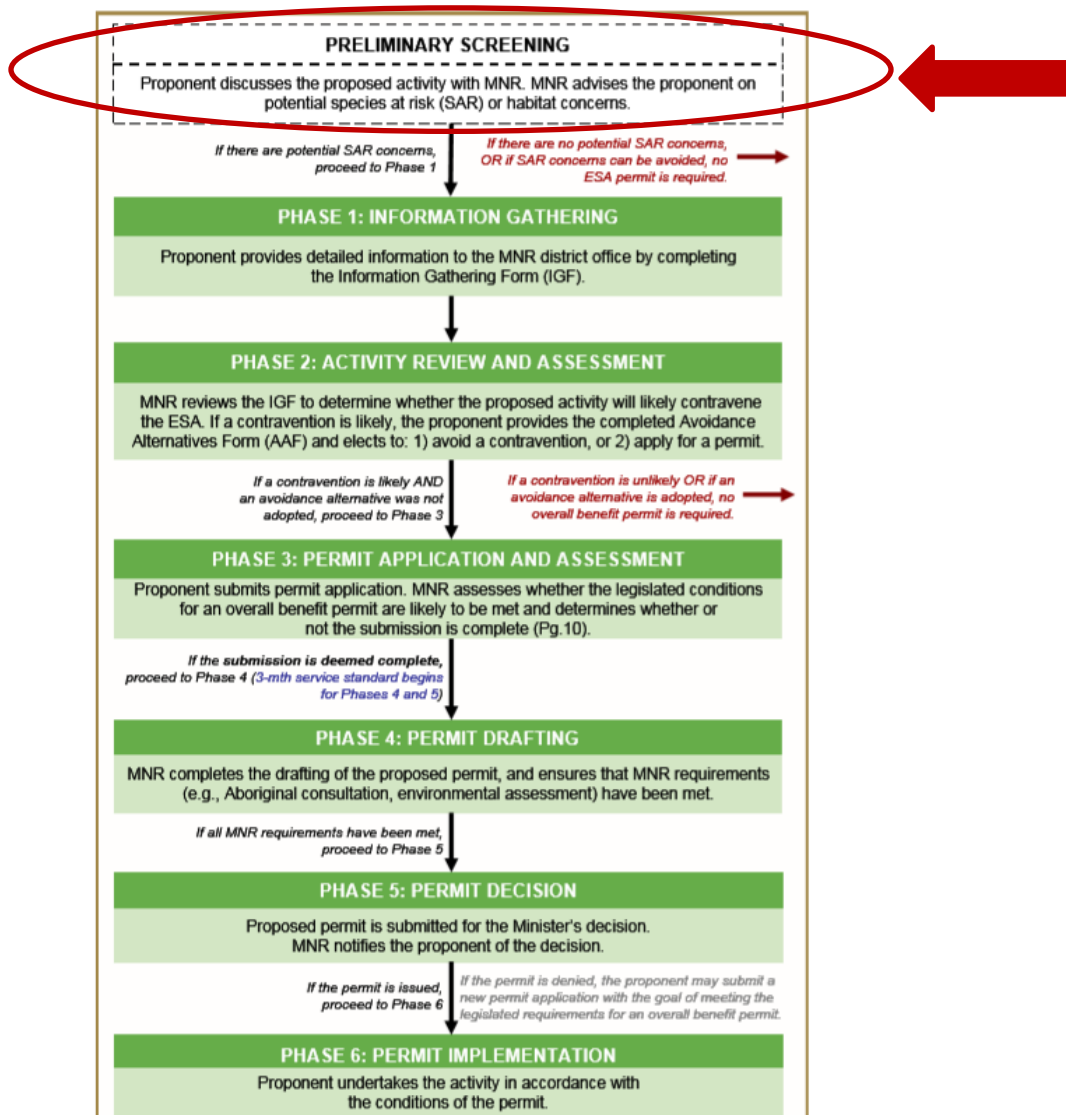
To provide the most efficient service, clients should initiate species at risk screenings and seek information from all applicable information sources identified in this guide, at a minimum, prior to contacting Government of Ontario ministry offices for further information or advice.

1.2 Scope

This guide is a resource for clients seeking to understand if their activity is likely to impact species at risk or if they are likely to trigger the need for an authorization under the ESA. It is not intended to circumvent any detailed site surveys that may be necessary to document species at risk or their habitat nor to circumvent the need to assess the impacts of a proposed activity on species at risk or their habitat. This guide is not an exhaustive list of available information sources for any given area as the availability of information on species at risk and their habitat varies across the province. This guide is intended to support projects and activities carried out on Crown and private land, by private landowners, businesses, other provincial ministries and agencies, or municipal government.

1.3 Background and Context

To receive advice on their proposed activity, clients must first determine whether any species at risk or their habitat exist or are likely to exist at or near their proposed activity, and whether their proposed activity is likely to contravene the ESA. Once this step is complete, clients may contact the ministry at SAROntario@ontario.ca to discuss the main purpose, general methods, timing and location of their proposed activity as well as information obtained about species at risk and their habitat at, or near, the site. At this stage, the ministry can provide advice and guidance to the client about potential species at risk or habitat concerns, measures that the client is considering to avoid adverse effects on species at risk or their habitat and whether additional field surveys are advisable. This is referred to as the “Preliminary Screening” stage. For more information on additional phases in the diagram below, please refer to the *Endangered Species Act Submission Standards for Activity Review and 17(2)(c) Overall Benefit Permits* policy available online at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/species-risk-overall-benefit-permits>



2.0 Roles and Responsibilities

To provide the most efficient service, clients should initiate species at risk screenings and seek information from all applicable information sources identified in this guide prior to contacting Government of Ontario ministry offices for further information or advice.

Step 1: Client seeks information regarding species at risk or their habitat that exist, or are likely to exist, at or near their proposed activity by referring to all applicable information sources identified in this guide.

Step 2: Client reviews and consider guidance on whether their proposed activity is likely to contravene the ESA (see section 3.4 of this guide for guidance on what to consider).

Step 3: Client gathers information identified in the checklist in section 4 of this guide.

Step 4: Client contacts the ministry at SAROntario@ontario.ca to discuss their preliminary screening. Ministry staff will ask the client questions about the main purpose, general methods, timing and location of their proposed activity as well as information obtained about species at risk and their habitat at, or near, the site. Ministry staff will also ask the client for their interpretation of the impacts of their activity on species at risk or their habitat as well as measures the client has considered to avoid any adverse impacts.

Step 5: Ministry staff will provide advice on next steps.

Option A: Ministry staff may advise the client they can proceed with their activity without an authorization under the ESA where the ministry is confident that:

- no protected species at risk or habitats are likely to be present at or near the proposed location of the activity; or
- protected species at risk or habitats are known to be present but the activity is not likely to contravene the ESA; or
- through the adoption of avoidance measures, the modified activity is not likely to contravene the ESA.

Option B: Ministry staff may advise the client to proceed to Phase 1 of the overall benefit permitting process (i.e. Information Gathering in the previous diagram), where:

- there is uncertainty as to whether any protected species at risk or habitats are present at or near the proposed location of the activity; or
- the potential impacts of the proposed activity are uncertain; or
- ministry staff anticipate the proposed activity is likely to contravene the ESA.

3.0 Information Sources

Land Information Ontario (LIO) and the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) maintain and provide information about species at risk, as well as related information about fisheries, wildlife, crown lands, protected lands and more. This information is made available to organizations, private individuals, consultants, and developers through online sources and is often considered under various pieces of legislation or as part of regulatory approvals and planning processes.

The information available from LIO or NHIC and the sources listed in this guide should not be considered as a substitute for site visits and appropriate field surveys. Generally, this information can be regarded as a starting point from which to conduct further field surveys, if needed. While this data represents best available current information, it is important to note that a lack of information for a site does not mean that species at risk or their habitat are not present. There are many areas where the Government of Ontario does not currently have information, especially in more remote parts of the province. The absence of species at risk location data at or near your site does not necessarily mean no species at risk are present at that location. On-site assessments can better verify site conditions, identify and confirm presence of species at risk and/or their habitats.

Information on the location (i.e. observations and occurrences) of species at risk is considered sensitive and therefore publicly available only on a 1km square grid as opposed to as a detailed point on a map. This generalized information can help you understand which species at risk are in the general vicinity of your proposed activity and can help inform field level studies you may want to undertake to confirm the presence, or absence of species at risk at or near your site.

Should you require specific and detailed information pertaining to species at risk observations and occurrences at or near your site on a finer geographic scale; you will be required to demonstrate your need to access this information, to complete data sensitivity training and to obtain a Sensitive Data Use License from the NHIC. Information on how to obtain a license can be found online at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/get-natural-heritage-information>.

Many organizations (e.g. other Ontario ministries, municipalities, conservation authorities) have ongoing licensing to access this data so be sure to check if your organization has this access and consult this data as part of your preliminary screening if your organization already has a license.

3.1 Make a Map: Natural Heritage Areas

The Make a Natural Heritage Area Map (available online at http://www.gisapplication.lrc.gov.on.ca/mamnh/Index.html?site=MNR_NHLUPS_NaturalHeritage&viewer=NaturalHeritage&locale=en-US) provides public access to natural heritage information, including species at risk, without the user needing to have Geographic Information System (GIS) capability. It allows users to view and identify generalized species at risk information, mark areas of interest, and create and print a custom map directly from the web application. The tool also shows topographic information such as roads, rivers, contours and municipal boundaries.

Users are advised that sensitive information has been removed from the natural areas dataset and the occurrences of species at risk has been generalized to a 1-kilometre grid to mitigate the risks to the species (e.g. illegal harvest, habitat disturbance, poaching).

The web-based mapping tool displays natural heritage data, including:

- Generalized Species at risk occurrence data (based on a 1-km square grid),
- Natural Heritage Information Centre data.

Data cannot be downloaded directly from this web map; however, information included in this application is available digitally through Land Information Ontario (LIO) at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/land-information-ontario>.

3.2 Land Information Ontario (LIO)

Most natural heritage data is publicly available. This data is managed in a large provincial corporate database called the LIO Warehouse and can be accessed online through the LIO Metadata Management Tool at <https://www.javacoeapp.lrc.gov.on.ca/geonetwork/srv/en/main.home>. This tool provides descriptive information about the characteristics, quality and context of the data. Publicly available geospatial data can be downloaded directly from this site.

While most data are publicly available, some data may be considered highly sensitive (i.e. nursery areas for fish, species at risk observations) and as such, access to some data maybe restricted.

3.3 Additional Species at Risk Information Sources

- The Breeding Bird Atlas can be accessed online at <http://www.birdsontario.org/atlas/index.jsp?lang=en>
- eBird can be accessed online at <https://ebird.org/home>
- iNaturalist can be accessed online at <https://www.inaturalist.org/>
- The Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas can be accessed online at <https://ontarionature.org/programs/citizen-science/reptile-amphibian-atlas>
- Your local Conservation Authority. Information to help you find your local Conservation Authority can be accessed online at <https://conservationontario.ca/conservation-authorities/find-a-conservation-authority/>

Local naturalist groups or other similar community-based organizations

- Local Indigenous communities
- Local land trusts or other similar Environmental Non-Government Organizations
- Field level studies to identify if species at risk, or their habitat, are likely present or absent at or near the site.
- When an activity is proposed within one of the continuous caribou ranges, please be sure to consider the caribou Range Management Policy. This policy includes figures and maps of the continuous caribou range, can be found online at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/range-management-policy-support-woodland-caribou-conservation-and-recovery>

3.4 Information Sources to Support Impact Assessments

- Guidance to help you understand if your activity is likely to adversely impact species at risk or their habitat can be found online at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/policy-guidance-harm-and-harass-under-endangered-species-act> and <https://www.ontario.ca/page/categorizing-and-protecting-habitat-under-endangered-species-act>
- A list of species at risk in Ontario is available online at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/species-risk-ontario>. On this webpage, you can find out more about each species, including where it lives, what threatens it and any specific habitat protections that apply to it by clicking on the photo of the species.

4.0 Check-List

Please feel free to use the check list below to help you confirm you have explored all applicable information sources and to support your discussion with Ministry staff at the preliminary screening stage.

- ✓ Land Information Ontario (LIO)
- ✓ Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC)
- ✓ The Breeding Bird Atlas
- ✓ eBird
- ✓ iNaturalist
- ✓ Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas
- ✓ List Conservation Authorities you contacted: _____

- ✓ List local naturalist groups you contacted: _____

- ✓ List local Indigenous communities you contacted: _____

- ✓ List any other local land trusts or Environmental Non-Government Organizations you contacted: _____

- ✓ List and field studies that were conducted to identify species at risk, or their habitat, likely to be present or absent at or near the site: _____

- ✓ List what you think the likely impacts of your activity are on species at risk and their habitat (e.g. damage or destruction of habitat, killing, harming or harassing species at risk): _____

From: MNRF Ayl Planners (MNRF) <MNRF.Ayl.Planners@ontario.ca>
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2021 11:24 AM
To: Vince Pugliese; pyanchuk@london.ca
Cc: Zenova E. Gentles
Subject: RE: 48214-100 Hamilton and Gore Road EA - Notice of Commencement
Attachments: image001.wmz; 48214-100 Notice of Commencement.pdf; NHGuide_MNRF_2019-04-01.pdf

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January 15, 2021
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Subject: 48214-100 Hamilton and Gore Road EA - Notice of Commencement

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) received the attached notice for the proposed Hamilton and Gore Road project. Thank you for circulating this information to our office, however, please note that we have not completed a screening of natural heritage or other resource values for the project at this time. Please also note that it is your responsibility to be aware of and comply with all relevant federal or provincial legislation, municipal by-laws or other agency approvals.

This response provides information to guide you in identifying and assessing natural features and resources as required by applicable policies and legislation, and engaging with the MNRF for advice as needed.

Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Act

In order to provide the most efficient service possible, the attached Natural Heritage Information Request Guide has been developed to assist you with accessing natural heritage data and values from convenient online sources.

It remains the proponent's responsibility to complete a preliminary screening for each project, to obtain available information from multiple sources, to conduct any necessary field studies, and to consider any potential environmental impacts that may result from an activity. We wish to emphasize the need for the

proponents of development activities to complete screenings prior to contacting the Ministry or other agencies for more detailed technical information and advice.

The Ministry continues to work on updating data housed by Land Information Ontario and the Natural Heritage Information Centre, and ensuring this information is accessible through online resources. Species at risk data is regularly being updated. To ensure access to reliable and up to date information, please contact the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks at SAROntario@ontario.ca.

Petroleum Wells & Oil, Gas and Salt Resource Act

There may be petroleum wells within the proposed project area. Please consult the Ontario Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Library website (www.ogsrlibrary.com) for the best known data on any wells recorded by MNRF. Please reference the 'Definitions and Terminology Guide' listed in the publications on the Library website in order to better understand the well information available. Any oil and gas wells in your project area are regulated by the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resource Act*, and the supporting regulations and operating standards. If any unanticipated wells are encountered during development of the project, or if the proponent has questions regarding petroleum operations, the proponent should contact the Petroleum Operations Section at POSRecords@ontario.ca or 519-873-4634.

Public Lands Act & Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act

Some projects may be subject to the provisions of the *Public Lands Act* or the *Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act*. Please review the information on MNRF's web pages provided below regarding when an approval is required or not. Please note that many of the authorizations issued under the *Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act* are administered by the local Conservation Authority.

- For more information about the *Public Lands Act*: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/crown-land-work-permits>
- For more information about the *Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act*: <https://www.ontario.ca/document/lakes-and-rivers-improvement-act-administrative-guide>

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Karina

Karina Černiavskaja, District Planner
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
Email: MNRF.Ayl.Planners@ontario.ca



As part of providing [accessible customer service](#), please let me know if you have any accommodation needs or require communication supports or alternate formats.

From: Zenova E. Gentles

Sent: December-21-20 1:55 PM

To: 'Rob.Dobos@ec.gc.ca'; Lafrance, Crystal (MECP); EA Notices to SWRegion (MECP); Verhaeghe, Tammy (MNRF); Harvard, Jennifer (MNRF); MNRF Ayl Planners (MNRF); 'mvanholst@london.ca'; 'kscherr@london.ca'; 'smathers@london.ca'; 'arozenta@london.ca'; 'dmacrae@London.ca'; 'AMACPHER@London.ca'; 'csaunder@london.ca'; 'arammelo@London.ca'; 'GBarrett@London.ca'; 'mfabro@london.ca'; 'GGauld@London.ca'; 'rcraven@london.ca'; 'joan.zhao@hydroone.com'; 'landuseplanning@hydroone.com'; 'lana.kegel@hydroone.com'; 'kburns@londontransit.ca'; 'health@mlhu.on.ca'; 'c.henriquez@tvdsb.ca'; 'c.yeo@tvdsb.ca'; 'rob.elliott@enbridge.com'; 'borovicj@londonhydro.com'; 'jenny.kendrick@bell.ca'; 'jerry.lacount@rci.rogers.com'; Orphan, Lee (MECP); 'annett@thamesriver.on.ca'; 'verscheureb@thamesriver.on.ca'

Cc: Andrew Miller ; Vince Pugliese

Subject: 48214-100 Hamilton and Gore Road EA - Notice of Commencement

CAUTION -- EXTERNAL E-MAIL - Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender.

Good Morning:

Please find attached a digital copy of a Notice of commencement letter notifying you of the Hamilton and Gore Road Environmental Assessment (EA).

The Hamilton Road and Gore Road intersection is a three-legged stop-controlled intersection that has seen a substantial increase in traffic volumes over the years. This study is to evaluate alternative intersection arrangements to improve traffic management and increase safety for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians.

[Gore Road and Hamilton Road Intersection Improvements Environmental Assessment | City of London](#)

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please do not hesitate to contact the persons listed on the Notice of Commencement.

Regards,

Zenova Gentles, B.Sc | Administrative Assistant

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From: Fallon Burch <fburch@cottfn.com>
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 3:30 PM
To: Yanchuk, Paul
Cc: Vince Pugliese
Subject: RE: City of London – Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection
Attachments: LTR_Consultation_Hamilton and Gore Road Intersection MCEA-NOSC.pdf; INV-0079-Hamilton and Gore Road Intersection MCEA-REVIEW-SCREEN.pdf

Good afternoon Paul,

I hope this email finds you well.

I have reviewed the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Notice of Study Commencement. As per our screening of the project, it is a minimal concern. However, if there are any substantive changes to your project or there is an archaeology assessment conducted please notify us by sending an electronic notification to consultation@cottfn.com.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email at this time, as I continue to work from home.

Thanks,

Fallon



Fallon Burch

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From: Yanchuk, Paul
Sent: December 22, 2020 8:16 AM
To: Jacqueline French
Cc: Consultation ; Fallon Burch
Subject: City of London – Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection

Aanii Chief Jacqueline French,

Please find attached a Notice of Study Commencement for the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Improvements Environmental Assessment. This study is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act, under Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment. The information related to this project can be found on the City of London's website at the following link: <https://london.ca/gorehamilton>.

The intent of this study is to develop an alternative intersection arrangement to better accommodate the volume of traffic and improve the safety of drivers, cyclists and pedestrians. This study will evaluate alternative layouts and control methods for the intersection to optimize traffic flow in a safe, sustainable and effective way.

A future Public Information Centre for this project is planned to present the preliminary findings of this study once the planning process has advanced further. We will provide you with the notification when scheduling for this PIC is known.

However, as always, we welcome the opportunity to meet with you directly or virtually to discuss this project if you wish to do so. We are interested in receiving comments you may have on this study. You may contact us as described on the attached Notice. We look forward to hearing from you.

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January 25, 2021

VIA EMAIL

Paul Yanchuk, EIT
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London, ON N6A 4W7

**RE: Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection, Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
Notice of Study Commencement**

Dear: Mr. Yanchuk,

We have received information concerning the aforementioned project. The proposed project is located within the London Township Treaty Area to which Chippewas of the Thames First Nation (COTTFN). The project is also within the Big Bear Creek Additions to Reserve (ATR) land selection area, as well as COTTFN's Traditional Territory.

After reviewing the project information, we have identified minimal concerns. However, if there are any substantive changes to your project, please notify us by sending an electronic notification to consultation@cottfn.com. If there is an Archaeology Assessment conducted, we require notification and the opportunity to actively participate by sending First Nation Field Liaisons on behalf of this First Nation.

We look forward to continuing this open line of communication. To implement meaningful consultation, COTTFN has developed its own protocol - a document and a process that will guide positive working relationships. We would be happy to meet with you to review COTTFN's Consultation Protocol. The Protocol can be found on the COTTFN website at www.cottfn.com/consultation.

As per 'Appendix D' of the Wiindmaagewin attached is invoice 0079. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need further clarification of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fallon Burch".

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Appendix A3

Copies of Notices and NOC Responses



Notice of Study Commencement

Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

The Study

The City of London has initiated a Class Environmental Assessment Study for improvements to the intersection of Hamilton Road and Gore Road (see map). The City identified the need to accommodate the increasing amount of traffic and address the mobility concerns of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists at this intersection.

The Process

This project is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act by following the Municipal Class EA document (as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015) and it is being planned under Schedule 'B' of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA).

The City of London has requested MTE Consultants to undertake the study, which involves an evaluation of alternatives, selection of preferred alternative, and evaluation of environmental impacts and their mitigation measures. At the end of the study, a conceptual design will be prepared by MTE Consultants. To learn more, please visit the project website:

<https://london.ca/gorehamilton>.

Comments Invited

Public, Indigenous, and agency consultation is a key component of the Class EA process, and we value your input during the planning process. To help facilitate this input, a Public Information Centre where some of the alternative solutions will be presented is scheduled to take place early Spring 2021. If you wish to be placed on the study mailing list to receive notices and information, or, if you wish to provide comments at any time during the Class EA process, you can do so by contacting:

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Please note that all correspondence will be kept on file for use during the decision-making process throughout the project and will become part of the public record. Under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, any personal information such as name, address, and telephone number included in a submission may become part of the public record unless otherwise requested in the submission.

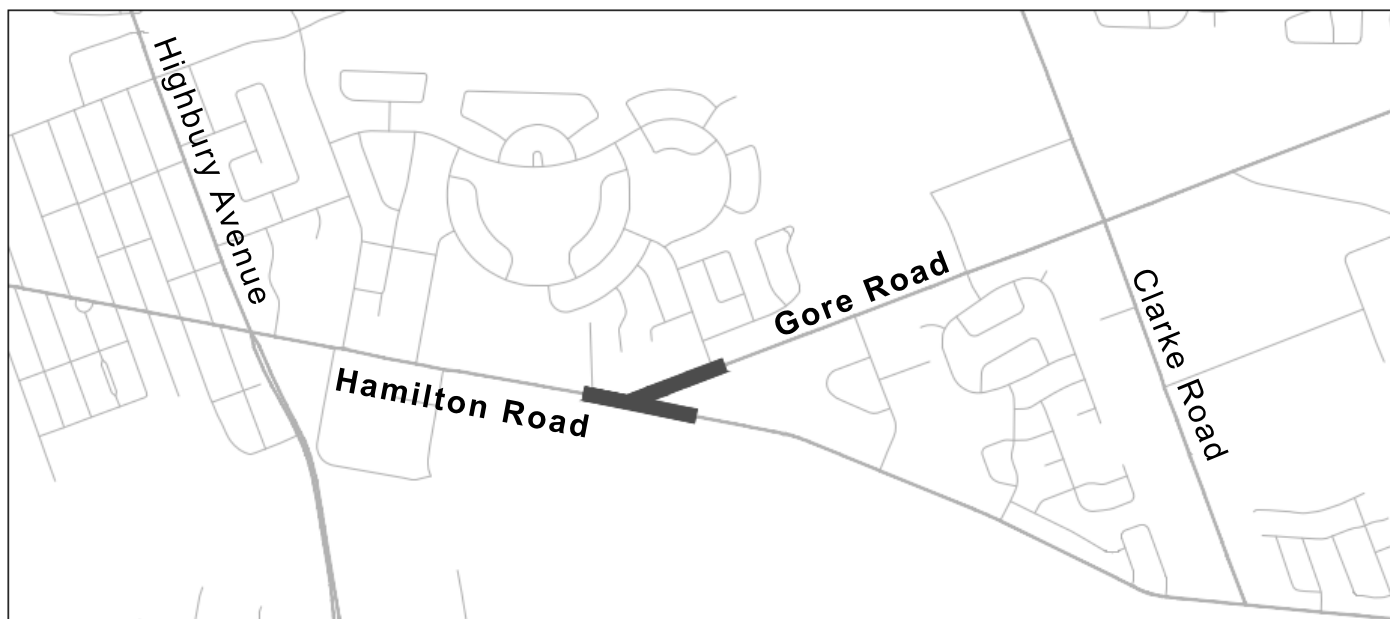


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This figure illustrates the limits of the study area at the intersection of Hamilton Road and Gore Road, with Highbury Avenue identified to the west and Clarke Road identified to the east to reference the location.

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Subject: City of London – Notice of PIC - Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
Attachments: Gore_Hamilton EA_Notice of PIC.pdf

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Cc: Vince Pugliese; 'pyanchuk@london.ca'
Subject: 48214-100 Hamilton & Gore Intersection EA - Notice of Public Information Centre No. 2 (PIC)
Attachments: Gore_Hamilton_Notice of PIC#2 Final.pdf

Good afternoon:

Please find attached a digital copy of Notice of PIC No.2 for the Hamilton and Gore Road Environmental Assessment (EA).

This PIC will be held on Monday, October 2, 2023, from 4:00pm to 6:00pm at the Bob Hayward YMCA, 1050 Hamilton Road, London.

Regards,

Client First | Right Solution | Work Together Zenova Gentles, B.Sc

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Notice of Public Information Centre #2

Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

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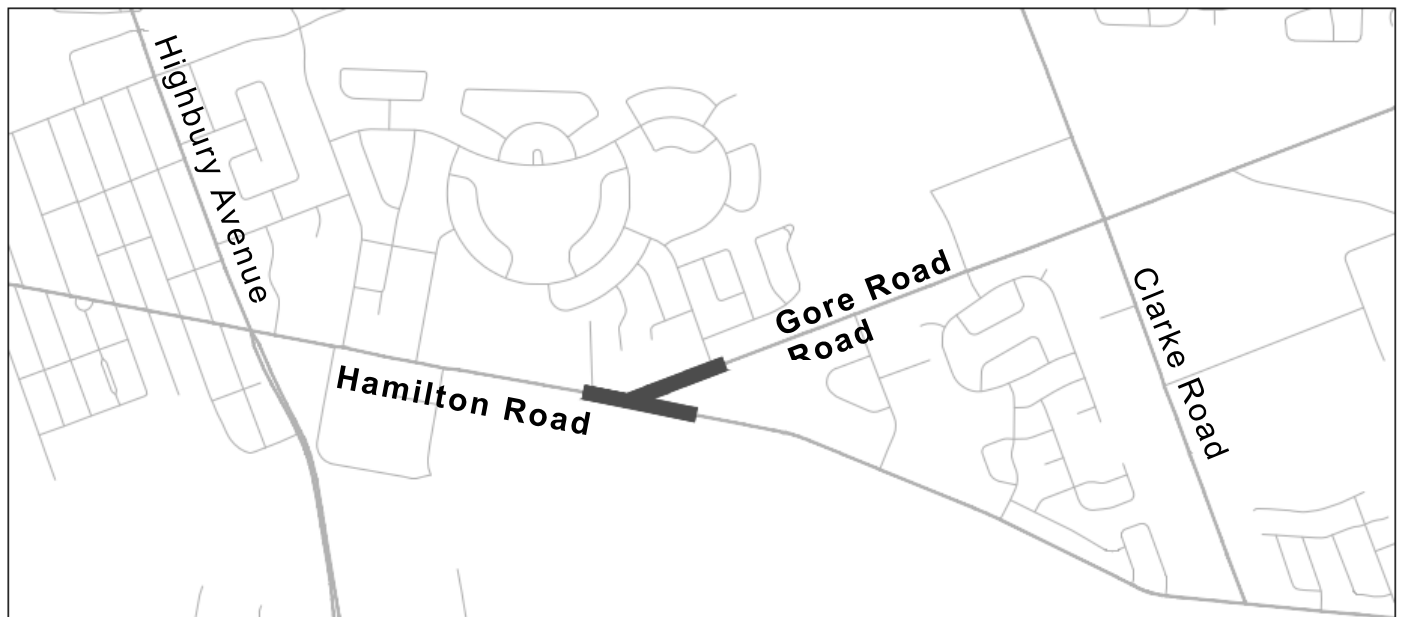


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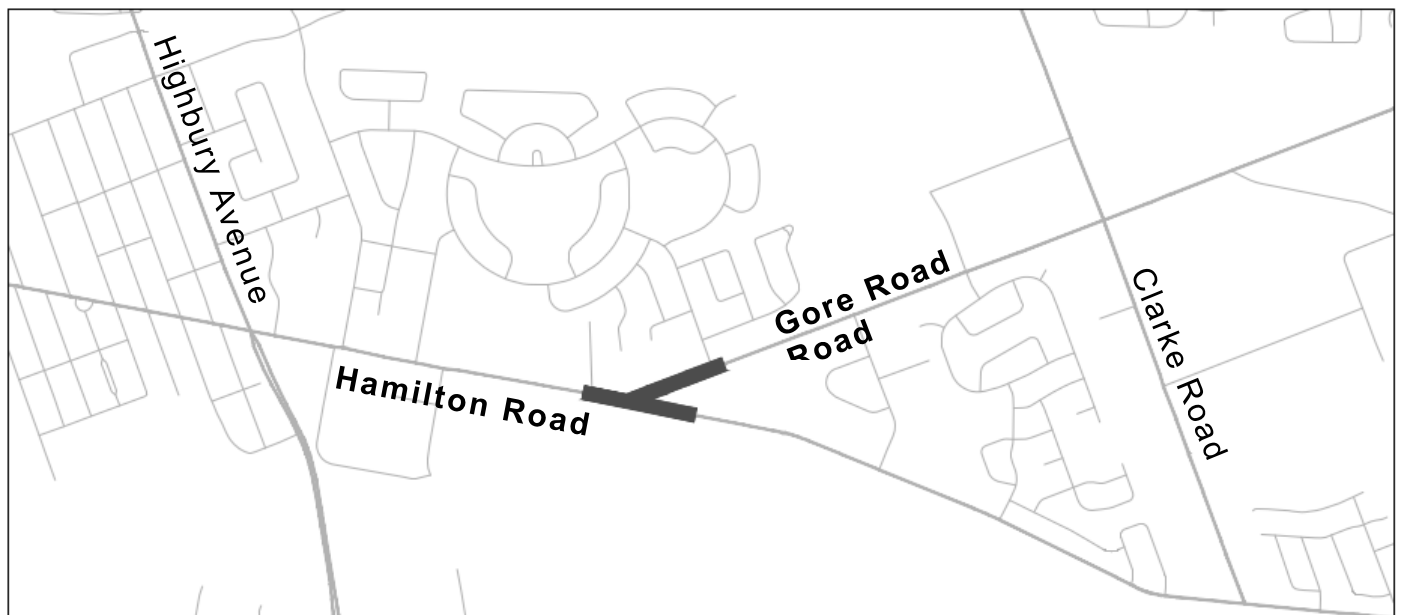


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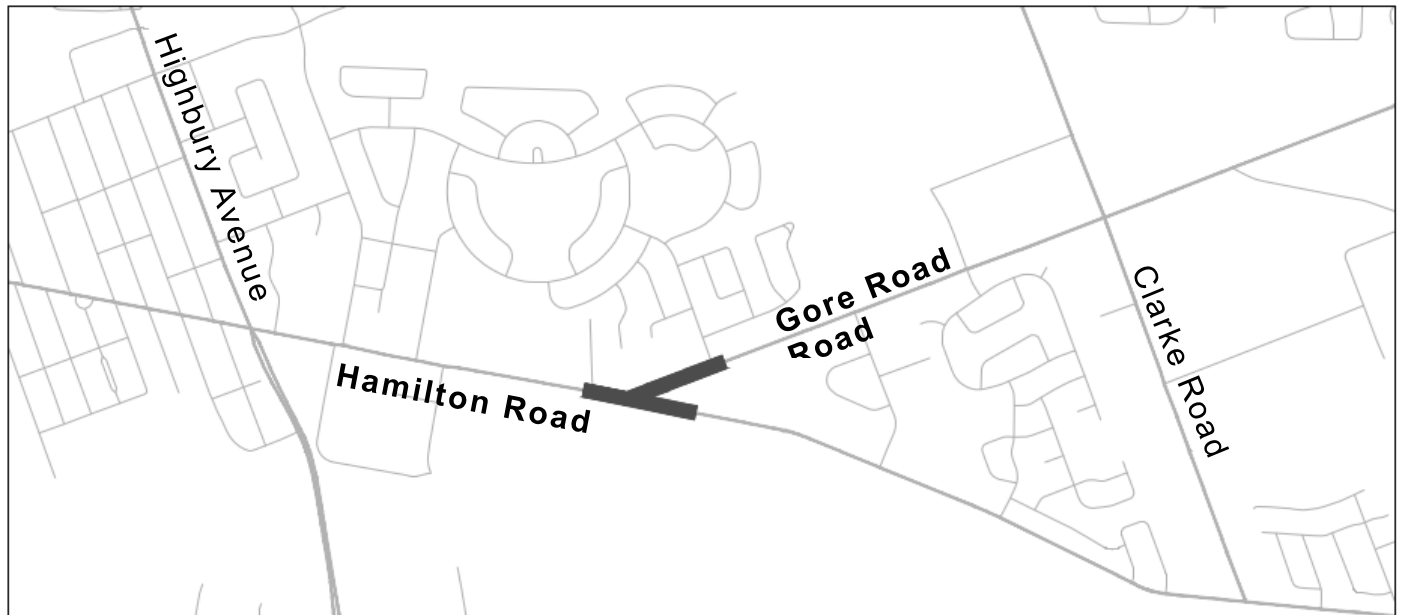


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Notice of Commencement - Comments Received

Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection - EA

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12/30/2020	Please note I wish to be placed on the study mailing list to receive notices and information regarding the municipal class environmental assessment for the intersection of Hamilton Road and Gore Road. I do not want any of my personal information to be kept and/or become part of the public record. Once the study is completed I want my personal information provided below to be destroyed.	Thank you for taking an interest in the Hamilton/Gore Road EA. We will include you to the mailing list. Only the comments themselves become part of the public record.

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Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection - EA

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12/31/2020	First, please add my e-mail address to the study mailing list to receive notices and information. Alternately, if these notices are going to be mailed, please send to 57 Coldstream Crescent, London, NSW 1T5. Thank you. Second, let me say that I am thrilled that something is finally going to be done to improve the intersection of Gore Road and Hamilton Road. It has long been an intersection that, I believe, is awkward to navigate around and I avoid it if at all possible. If I am coming from the east, I will take Clarke Road to Gore to Montebello (which is slightly longer) rather than taking Hamilton Road and making the 145 degree turn onto Gore to get to the Fairmont sub-division. After looking at the project web-site, I was glad to see that one of the options was a round-about (traffic circle), as this was my initial idea for improvement. My second choice would be the realignment of the two roads (to make a more suitable intersection) and adding a traffic signal. Simply adding a traffic signal does not solve the awkward angle that the 2 roads in question intersect at. One additional comment I would like to make about the same area, concerns Montebello Drive. Recently a pedestrian signal crosswalk was installed for pedestrians crossing Gore Road at Montebello Drive, which was absolutely needed, due to the sometimes heavy and usually speeding traffic on Gore. However, I have deep concerns about the safety of the many east bound Gore Road vehicles turning left onto Montebello to access the Fairmont sub-division. It is very difficult to adequately see the west bound traffic on Gore coming up over the hill, usually travelling well over the speed limit, in order to make a safe and controlled turn onto Montebello. I would suggest that the challenges at the Montebello and Gore intersection be looked at, as part of the Hamilton and Gore study. Perhaps a solution could be reached to improve both of these intersections in one construction project. Thank you for taking the time to listen to my concerns. I look forward to seeing the results of this study as it continues to develop.	Thank you so much for expressing interest in the project, and providing your feedback. We will add you to the mailing list and adjust the your mailing address. The intersection of Hamilton Road and Gore road is most certainly in need of improvement, and through this EA we will be looking at a number of options for improvement, including a roundabout. As you can imagine, once we begin looking more closely at the alternatives, this may change what is possible at the intersection, so a variety of options will be looked at. Our traffic study will look at the impacts to traffic not only at the intersection, but on the neighboring streets and intersections. Once that is complete, we can look at how the Montebello intersection will be impacted and whether it needs to be included to make the Hamilton/Gore intersection work. Thanks again and we look forward to hearing from you throughout the EA.
12/30/2020	We would like to be part of your study mailing list for the intersection of Hamilton Rd and Gore Rd.	Thank you for taking the time and interest in the Hamilton/Gore Road intersection EA. We will include you in the mailing list and we look forward to hearing your feedback throughout.
12/30/2020	Please add us to the study mailing list to receive notices and information	

Notice of Commencement - Comments Received**Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection - EA**

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12/30/2020	Thanks for allowing me to give a little input. I have attached some of my experiences and observations at the intersection in question.	Thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback. Through the EA we will be looking at the entrance to the WWTP as well, as their access needs will also have to be considered. The main focus of the EA will be to develop an intersection that improves the functionality, and most importantly improves the safety of the intersection. We will add you to the mailing list and we look forward to your continued involvement in the EA process.
1/2/2021	We use this intersection a lot for both driving and walking (to the dog park from fairmont subdivision) Please confirm you received this email. I wish to be placed on the study mailing list to receive notices and information regarding the decisions as how to correct the intersection of these 2 roads. Currently it is unsafe and inefficient. Carol Lobodzinski	Thank you for taking the time to reach out regarding the EA for Hamilton Road and Gore Road. We will be looking at a number of ways to improve the operation and safety of this intersection. We will add you to the mailing list so that you will receive all future correspondence.
1/2/2021	I would like to be placed on the study mailing list to receive notices and information	

Notice of Commencement - Comments Received**Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection - EA**

Date	Comment	MTE Response
1/3/2021	I was very interested in the letter I recently received in regard to the improvements of the above. I have lived here 40 years, and have always said that in my opinion there should be a roundabout at that corner. As ...	Thank you for expressing interest in the EA for Hamilton Road and Gore Road, , We will add you to the mailing list. Also, we are very interested in the comment you provided, however, it looks as though it was cut off as the comment was in the subject header. Thank you for your letter this morning. I hadn't finished that letter and didn't realize it had gone. My computer was acting up ,so I left it. I was going to add that opening Pottersburgh dog park had added to the awkwardness of that intersection as it is well-used. People used to take short cuts through the recent Restaurant parking lot, but now that it is all blocked with concrete blocks, that can't be done, and everyone has to use the corner to turn left as well as right onto Hamilton road, going and returning from Gore to the park.
1/2/2021	Please add my contact information to the study mailing list, so I can receive notices and information about the Class EA Process.	Thank you for expressing interest in the EA for Hamilton Road and Gore Road, , We will add you to the mailing list

Notice of Commencement - Comments Received

Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection - EA

Date	Comment	MTE Response
1/4/2021	Regarding the changes proposed to the Hamilton Rd. And Gore Rd intersection we would like to have some input. We would like to suggest that Roundabout intersection would be the best, least costly solution to the traffic problems at this intersection. Perhaps a crosswalk with lights such as the one close to the YMCA would assist pedestrian safety. Also there are many problems with congested traffic at Hamilton Rd. and Highbury Ave. Especially at rush hours. I have seen traffic backed up past the turn onto Hale St. I believe double left turn lanes at Hamilton Rd. turning south onto Highbury Ave. would alleviate the backlog of traffic during rush hours. There could be the existing left turn lane and next to it a left and/or straight lane and the third lane closest to the sidewalk straight and/or right turn. Thank you for considering our suggestions.	Thanks you for your interest in the Hamilton Road and Gore road Environmental Assessment Study. Your participation is greatly appreciated. With respect to the Highbury Ave and Hamilton Rd intersection, the Environmental Assessment for this intersection has been completed and the preferred alternative for the improvements includes you suggestions on the dual left turn lane. For more information, please visit the Highbury and Hamilton Rd Intersection Environmental Assessment web page: https://london.ca/projects/highbury-hamilton-road-intersection-environmental-assessment.
1/4/2021	I am happy to see the city if planning to improve this area. 1. I hope there is enough room for a nice modern roundabout 2. You are missign on your sketch an important road at this intersection mainly the orad oigng south to the dogpark, sewerplant, bikepath parking lot etc. 3. This area 50 years ago was an industrial area now it should be a nice residential area, the eyesore vacant bldg and surrougnings at 1154 hamilton should be consired too.	Thanks so much for your interest on this project, we appreciate hearing from people who live in the area, and see the day to day issues. We are going to evaluate a number of intersection configurations, including a Roundabout. The entrance to the dog park/WWTP will not be overlooked as we review this intersection.

Notice of Commencement - Comments Received**Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection - EA**

Date	Comment	MTE Response
1/5/2021	I received your "Notice of Study Commencement" (Hamilton/Gore Rd Intersection) in the mail last week. The map seems to indicate the work will be focused on the intersection of Hamilton/Gore Rds. Is the corner going to have traffic lights ... or simply a ring road? I think traffic lights would be tricky and unsafe considering the entrance to the Pottersberg Off Leash Dog Park/Meadowlily Trail is maybe 10-15 ft east of Gore Rd on the south side - very dangerous for those entering or exiting that location. Perhaps a round-about would work better ... similar to the round-about at Hale/Trafalgar as Trafalgar used to zig zag across Hale - it was a very weird and lopsided intersection before but is much better now. The purpose of the study indicates the "City identified the need to accommodate the increasing amount of traffic and address the mobility concerns of pedestrians, cyclists and motorists at this intersection" ... why just at the intersection?. The pressing issue for me is the lack of sidewalks on Hamilton Rd east of that intersection all the way to Clarke Rd - will sidewalks be added to the project as a safety and mobility issue? I emailed Mr. Karl Grabowski at the City of London on Sep 19/16 to inquire as to why there were not consistent sidewalks along Hamilton Rd east of Gore Rd up to, at the very least, Clarke Rd. Mr. Grabowski indicated there was no roadwork or sewer improvement projects planned for this area so sidewalks would not be done ... but he offered to add it to the waitlist with the Warranted Sidewalk Program which I believe he did. On Feb 7/17, I emailed Ward 1 Councillor Michael Van Holst about this issue and I received a response that suggested I get involved with the Ward 1 public meetings regarding the Hamilton Road Area Community Improvement Plan. Since I am involved in other social commitments that occupy most of my spare time, I am not available to attend public meetings ... but that is why I contacted my Ward - so he could attend the meetings on this neighbourhood's behalf.	

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	I saw a news report on the A Channel about 1.5-2 yrs ago regarding the residents in north London complaining the residents were having difficulty getting to the bus stops safely as there were no sidewalks along Sunningdale Rd (lots of new housing developments in that area). I see from the City's "Sunningdale Road Environmental Assessment" report that I found online dated Sep 18/20 that indicates Sunningdale Rd will be getting sidewalks on both sides of the road I also noticed when the Stoney Creek YMCA was built, there were new sidewalks installed on both sides of Sunningdale Rd from the get go ... even though there are no houses but fields on both sides of the YMCA. You have to know this does not sit well with me as the majority of the housing (condos and houses) along Hamilton Rd (east of Gore) have been in existence 25+ years and we pay property taxes like everyone else. Hamilton Rd is a main artery into the City ... it doesn't have to be a 4 lane road to justify putting in sidewalks nor to prove it is a busy road ... look at Huron, Wavell, Trafalgar and Cheapside Streets ... all busy 2 lane roads that support major bus routes and they <u>all</u> have sidewalks on both sides of the street - so why doesn't Hamilton Rd east of Gore all the way down to Clarke Rd?	
	The traffic along Hamilton Rd has been getting increasingly busier since I moved to this area in 2015. There is traffic flow coming from River Run Terrace, Crimson Cres, Clarke Rd, Wildgoose Rd, Baxter St, the 2 new subdivision developments at Hamilton/Commissioners Rd (Victoria on the River), the expanding Summerside subdivision area plus those travelling in from Dorchester and other outlying areas that also use Hamilton Rd as a main artery into the City. It boggles my mind why we don't have consistent sidewalks - you can't even go for a long walk without having to zig zag across Hamilton Rd several times to reach an existing stretch of sidewalk. I live at 1241 Hamilton Rd and many of the residents in my condo complex are seniors. I feel sorry for them as it is quite difficult for them to get regular daily exercise as it is quite dangerous crossing Hamilton Rd to get to a sidewalk on the other side ... so they simply walk back and forth in front of our complex to get their exercise (on the sidewalk the condo corp had installed, I assume) - then return to their condo unit - that's really sad.	

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	LTC changed the Hamilton Rd #3 bus route in 2015 - instead of the Hamilton Rd bus only going eastward down Hamilton Rd and turning left onto Clarke Rd, the bus would now loop at Argyle Mall then come back via Clarke Rd and turn right onto Hamilton Rd heading westward towards downtown. Due to this change, the LTC had to add new bus stops on the north side of Hamilton Rd. After turning right from Clarke Rd, only the first 2 bus stops on the north side of Hamilton Rd are located where there are existing sidewalks. For the rest of the bus stops on the north side, LTC poured @ 6' cement pads to elevate riders so they can step up into the bus. Besides looking ridiculous, these mounds of cement do not help the riders actually <u>get</u> to the bus stop through the dirt, mud and snow while the traffic is whizzing by you a few feet away. I've seen strollers, wheelchairs and electric scooters travelling along the edges of Hamilton Rd - the lack of sidewalks is definitely a serious issue for those with disabilities. A couple of times I've almost hit a pedestrian (clad in dark clothing) walking along the southern edge of Hamilton Rd in the dark (I'm assuming they just got off the bus and were attempting to walk home) ... it seems to be really dimly lit between Gore Rd until you cross the bridge. I used to ride the bus to work all the time as it was so convenient ... until I tripped and fell just after I crossed Hamilton Rd to get to the north side on my way to the bus stop Jan 31/16. My foot caught the edge of a frozen muck track (made by the bus the day before in the rain) that was covered with a fresh layer of snow that had fallen the night before - that's why I didn't see it. I fell face first onto a resident's lawn and managed to break a bone in my left foot. I had to wear a walking cast for 4 mths before they did surgery Jun 1/16 ... and then I had another surgery 8 mths later. It's been a long journey and my wounds have healed ... but sadly my foot will never be the same as 2 screws have to remain permanently in my foot - all because there are no sidewalks leading to the bus stop.. I am now retired from the City and <u>still</u> the sidewalk issue has not been resolved ... how can I stroll in my neighbourhood and enjoy my retirement safely?	
	Based on the above issues of safety and neighbourhood improvement, I hope you will consider adding sidewalks along Hamilton Rd (east of Gore) as an addition to your construction project. If not, you must know I will keep harping about this issue until it gets addressed - it is too important to my neighbourhood. Thank you for your time ...	

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1/9/2021	Thank You for informing us of the project to make the intersection noted above safer. We have lived at our current address for 23 years (7-1241 Hamilton Road) and have noted a significant increase in traffic flow in this area. There is definitely a need to improve the safety of all people using this intersection. Those going to the dog park have a difficult time when coming from Gore Road and making a left-hand turn onto Hamilton. The improvements need to address future needs rather than a short-term fix. When we moved here, our area was almost at the outskirts of the city. Several subdivisions have developed on Hamilton Road and in the past few years, the Victoria On The River developments have brought hundreds more people to the area and in turn have increased the traffic on Hamilton Road. We are interested in any details or meetings to watch this long overdue project move forward. Please place us on your mailing list.	
1/10/2021	I would like to be added to the email list for the subject study to provide comments, during the process.	Thanks for reaching out, we will add you to the mailing list.
1/10/2021	Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding the Class Environmental Assessment Study at Hamilton Rd & Gore Rd. We would like to receive notices and information, if you could please add us to the list, we would appreciate it.	Thank you for your interest in the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Environmental Assessment. You will be added to the contact list for this study.
1/12/2021	Please add myself as property owner of East Park at 1275 Hamilton Road to the notification list and for further information regarding this EA and project.	Thank you for reaching out, we will add you to the stakeholder list, and the mailing list.
1/12/2021	Please include me on the mailing list. I reside at 1488 Gore Road N5W 1T7	Thank you for your interest in the Hamilton Rd and Gore Rd Environmental Assessment Study. You will be added to the mailing list.
1/12/2021	Please keep me updated as more information becomes available.	Thank you for your interest in the Hamilton Rd and Gore Rd Environmental Assessment. You will be added to the mailing list for this study.

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1/16/2021	I received the communication from the city regarding the Hamilton and Gore Rd Intersection. We own the property on 1161/1163 Hamilton Road. Please add us to future communication and developments there. We have also been interested in exploring options for further development on this property and are open to the feedback and your input. Please let me know if you have few minutes to chat the next week.	Thank you for expressing interest in this project, we will certainly add you to the mailing list. With regards to changes to the intersection, we would be happy to speak with you about how this reconstruction may impact what you're planning. However, in terms of your future development plans for your property, that would probably be a conversation you should have with the City
1/24/2021	I am the Secretary and now Acting Treasurer for the Curinga Italian Canadian Sport Club at 17 Clarke Rd (Hamilton and Clarke Rd)... In response to the document we received, could we be placed on the study mailing list to receive notices and information about possible changes coming to this intersection	Definitely not too late. We will add you to the mailing list.
1/25/2021		Thanks for your call. We will have you added to the mailing list. As I mentioned we will be evaluating options which include signalization and a roundabout. You will be kept informed as we progress.
1/25/2021	I have reviewed the Hamilton Road and Gore Road Intersection Notice of Study Commencement. As per our screening of the project, it is a minimal concern. However, if there are any substantive changes to your project or there is an archaeology assessment conducted please notify us by sending an electronic notification to consultation@cottfn.com.	
1/27/2021	My name is John Schiks and I live in the area of the proposed intersection improvements. I would like to be added to the study mailing list for this project . Looking over the initial information provided, my preference would be for the traffic circle option based on the traffic flows at that location and on using the traffic circle on Hale street for several years. In addition, the location seems to be under a hydro easement and most of the land there has been virtually unused for many years as several businesses have tried and failed to make a go of it in the old grocery store - this should provide plenty of space for the traffic circle option.	

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1/28/2021	If it is not too late, I would like to be placed on the mailing list for this project. I lived at 1528 Gore Road from 1970-1984 before moving up to Whitlow on Gore/Clarke before settling into Fairmont subdivision in 1989.	Thank you for your interest in the Hamilton Rd and Gore Rd intersection EA. It is not too late and you will be added to the contact list.