



NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for Improvements of Sixth Line from Dundas Street to Highway 407 (ETR)

The Study

The Town of Oakville has initiated a Class Environment Assessment (EA) for improvements to Sixth Line from Dundas Street to Highway 407 (ETR), see map. In order to best address operational deficiencies and the need for additional north-south transportation capacity in the area, a number of alternatives will be examined as part of the study including the potential widening of Sixth Line to four lanes, cross-sectional elements, intersection improvements and traffic operations, and the overall impact of improvements on the social, cultural and natural environments.

The Process

This notice indicates the commencement of the Class Environmental Assessment, a study which will define the problem, identify and evaluate alternative solutions, and determine a preferred design in consultation with regulatory agencies and the public. The study is being carried out in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule 'C' projects as outlined in the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (October 2000, as amended in 2007), which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

This Study will satisfy Phases 1 to 4 (need and justification, alternative solutions, alternative designs and Environmental Study Report) of the Class EA process for Sixth Line from Dundas Street to Highway 407 (ETR).

A key component of the study will be consultation with interested stakeholders (public and agencies). Two Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held to present the project, review the study scope and discuss issues related to the project including alternative solutions, alternative designs, evaluation criteria, and environmental impacts and mitigation measures. Details regarding the forthcoming PICs will be advertised as the study progresses. Upon completion of the study, an Environmental Study Report (ESR) will be prepared and made available for public review and comment.

It is expected this study will be completed by the end of May 2013. Project updates will be provided through the Town's website at www.oakville.ca

Comments Invited

If you have any questions or comments regarding the study, or wish to be added to the study mailing list, please contact either of the following project team members:

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Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

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