

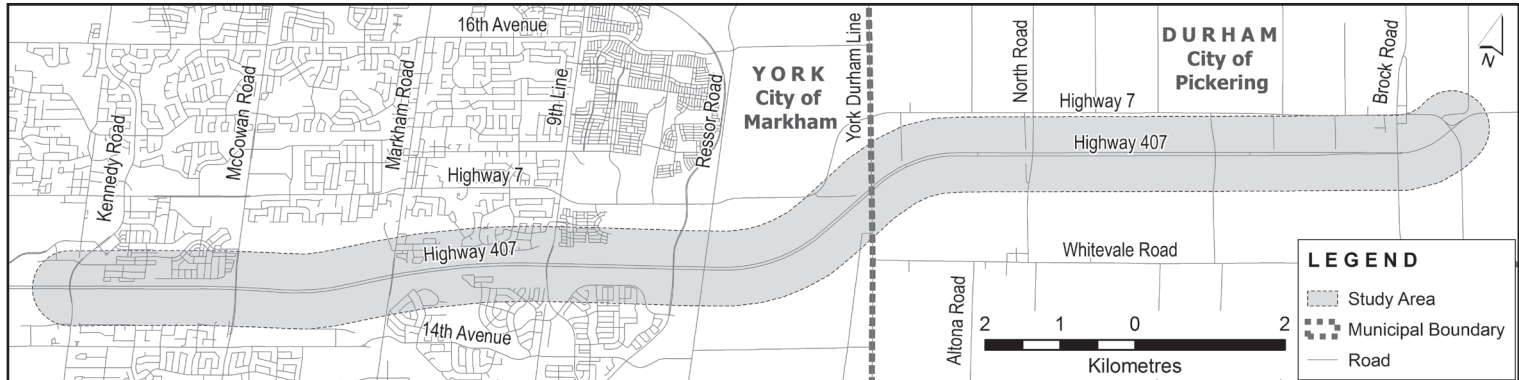
NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT REPORT

407 Transitway - Kennedy Road to Brock Road / Regional Municipalities of York and Durham

THE PROJECT

The **Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** is proposing a 18 km segment of a transitway facility along the Highway 407 corridor through York Region and Durham Region, from east of Kennedy Road in the City of Markham to east of Brock Road in the City of Pickering (407 Transitway). The 407 Transitway includes Markham Road Station, Ninth Line Station, Donald Cousens Parkway Station, Whites Road Station and Brock Road Station; and three protected sites near McCowan Road, York-Durham Line and Rossland Road. Subject to the outcome of the study, the 407 Transitway will be implemented initially as Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) with the opportunity to convert to Light Rail Transit (LRT) in the future.

This 18 km segment forms part of a planned 150 km long high-speed interregional facility on a separate right-of-way that parallels Highway 407 from Burlington to Highway 35/115, with stations, parking and access connections. This transitway is a component of the official plans of the stakeholder municipalities and of the Province's commitment to support transit initiatives in the Greater Golden Horseshoe through the Metrolinx Regional Transportation Plan.



THE PROCESS

The environmental impact of this transit project was assessed and an Environmental Project Report has been prepared according to the transit project assessment process as prescribed in Ontario Regulation 231/08, Transit Projects and Metrolinx Undertakings.

The Environmental Project Report for the 407 Transitway is now available for a 30-day review period starting **December 29, 2016** at the following locations:

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

Environmental Approvals Branch
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A
Toronto, ON M4V 1L5
tel: 416-314-8001 or 1-800-461-6290
Monday to Friday:
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

Central Region Office
5775 Yonge Street, 8th Floor
North York, ON M2M 4J1
tel: 416-326-6700 or 1-800-810-8048
Monday to Friday:
8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Ministry of Transportation Central Region

159 Sir William Hearst Avenue
Toronto, ON M3M 0B7
Monday to Friday:
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

City of Markham Markham Civic Centre

101 Town Centre Boulevard
Markham, ON L3R 9W3
Monday to Friday:
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

City of Pickering

One The Esplanade
Pickering, ON L1V 6K7
Monday to Friday:
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Environmental Project Report is also available for download at www.407Transitway.com

Interested persons are encouraged to review this document and provide comments by **January 30, 2017** to project contacts listed below:

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There are circumstances where the Ministry of the Environment has the authority to require further consideration of the transit project, or impose conditions on it. These include if the Minister is of the opinion that:

- The transit project may have a negative impact on a matter of provincial importance that relates to the natural environment or has cultural heritage value or interest; or
- The transit project may have a negative impact on a constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty right.

Before exercising the authority referred to above, the Minister is required to consider any written objections to the transit project that he or she may receive within 30 days after the Notice of Completion of the Environmental Project Report is first published.

If you have discussed your issues with the proponent and you object to the identified change to the project, you can provide a written submission to the Minister of the Environment no later than January 30, 2017 to the address provided below. All submissions must clearly indicate that an objection is being submitted and describe any negative impacts to matters of provincial importance (natural/cultural environment) or Aboriginal rights.

Environmental Approvals Access and Service Integration Branch

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A, Toronto, ON M4V 1L5
Attention: Gavin Battarino, Special Project Officer
tel: 416-314-8001 or 1-800-461-6290 / fax: 416-314-8452 / e-mail: EAASIBGen@ontario.ca

If not already provided, a copy of the objection will be forwarded to the proponent by the ministry.

All personal information included in a submission – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, maintained and disclosed by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s.37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact the Project Officer or the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change's Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1434.

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