

# NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

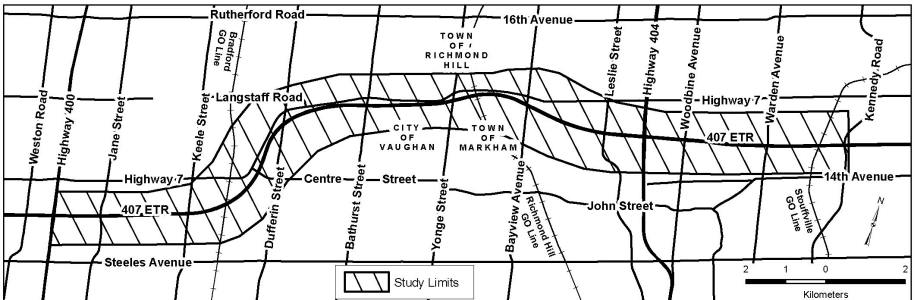
## Highway 407 Transitway Regional Municipality of York

### THE STUDY

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has initiated a planning and preliminary design study for a 23 km segment of a transitway facility along Highway 407 through York Region, from east of Highway 400 to Kennedy Road. This transitway segment includes transit stations and a maintenance and storage yard. Subject to the outcome of the study, the transitway will be implemented initially as a busway with the opportunity to convert to light rail transit (LRT) in the future.

This 23 km segment is the priority section of the 130 km long high-speed interregional facility planned to be ultimately constructed on a separate right-of-way that parallels Highway 407 from Burlington to Oshawa, with stations, parking and access connections.

The 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.



### THE PROCESS

This study will follow the process for a Group "A" project in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (MTO 2000). Delcan Corporation is leading the study on behalf of MTO. The study will include the preparation and submission of a Study Design Report (SDR) and a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR). As part of ongoing consultation activities, two public information centres (PICs) will be held, one during each stage of the study. Further notifications related to this study will be published in this newspaper.

### COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have about this study. Comments and information regarding this study are being collected to assist the study team in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. 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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