

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

407 TRANSITWAY

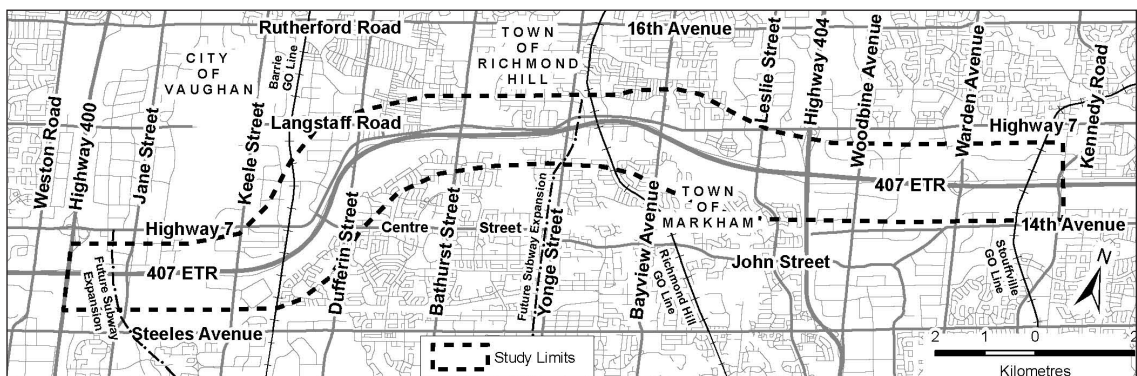
Highway 400 to Kennedy Road

GWP 252-96-00

THE STUDY

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has initiated a planning and preliminary design study for the 23 km central segment of a transitway facility along the Highway 407 corridor through York Region, from east of Highway 400 to Kennedy Road (407 Transitway). The 407 Transitway includes stations and an operations, maintenance and storage facility. 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 23 km segment is the priority section of the 150 km long high-speed interregional facility planned to be ultimately constructed 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

MTO is carrying out pre-planning activities for the 407 Transitway under the Transit Project Assessment process as per the *Transit Projects and Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Undertakings Regulation, Ontario Regulation 231/08*, June 2008. The pre-planning activities include planning and preliminary design for the 407 Transitway. The Notice of Commencement for the formal Transit Project Assessment process, future PICs and release of study documentation will be published in local newspapers.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

The first Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held in two different locations:

Date: May 26, 2009
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Location: Black Creek Pioneer Village
1000 Murray Ross Parkway, Toronto

Date: May 28, 2009
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Location: Premiere Ballroom & Convention Centre
9019 Leslie Street, Richmond Hill

The PIC will consist of an informal drop-in centre. The results of the planning phase will be displayed including information on past studies, need and justification, existing conditions, objectives, station sites and route alternatives, and the technically preferred station and route alternative. MTO staff and their consultants will be on hand to answer any questions and to receive your input.

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.

Please send any comments or requests to the following:

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