

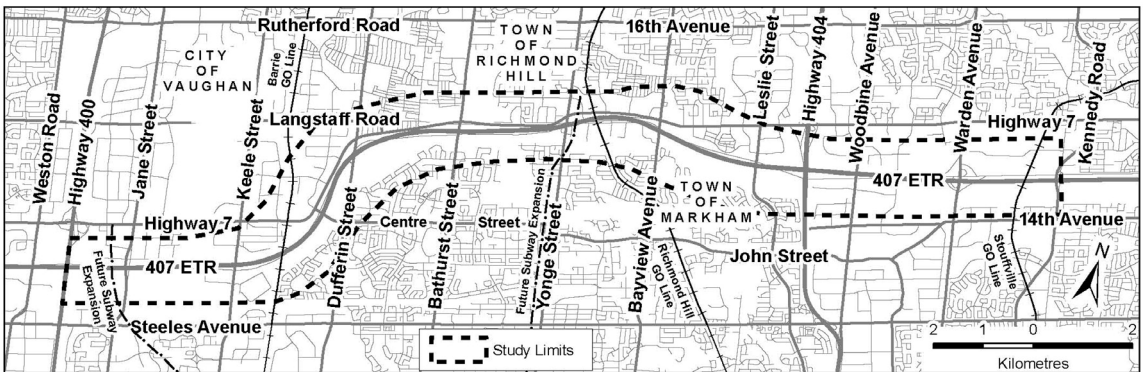
# NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF TRANSIT PROJECT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

## 407 Transitway From East of Highway 400 to Kennedy Road Ontario Ministry of Transportation

### THE PROJECT

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is proposing a 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 seven 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

This study was initiated as a Group 'A' project following MTO's *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (MTO 2000). With this Notice of Commencement, the study is being transitioned to the Transit Project Assessment Process as prescribed in Ontario Regulation 231/08, *Transit Projects and Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Undertakings*. As part of the Transit Project Assessment Process, an Environmental Project Report is being prepared for release within 120 days. Information produced as part of this study will be available at [www.lgl.ca/407Transitway](http://www.lgl.ca/407Transitway).

### CONSULTATION

Members of the public, agencies and other interested persons are encouraged to participate actively in the Transit Project Assessment Process by contacting the staff listed below directly or by submitting information, comments or questions via the project's website.

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