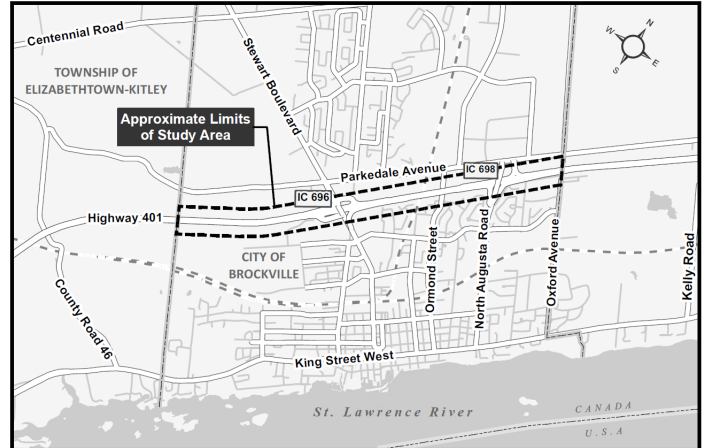




NOTICE OF ONLINE PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE 1 PLANNING, PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT Highway 401 Planning Study, Brockville, GWP 4003-19-00

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. to undertake a Planning, Preliminary Design, and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study for Highway 401 from 2 km west of Stewart Boulevard to 750 m east of North Augusta Road (about 4.5 km), within the City of Brockville. The study will develop a plan for the rehabilitation and/or replacement of five (5) structures, determine the long-term plans for the Stewart Boulevard and North Augusta Road interchanges, and will establish the future footprint for interim six lanes and ultimate eight lanes of Highway 401.



THE PROCESS

This study is a “Group B” project under the Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000) and includes undertaking environmental and engineering field investigations; and seeking input from the public, local municipalities, external ministries/agencies, businesses and Indigenous communities. Upon completion of preliminary design, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be prepared and made available for 30-day public review period.

ONLINE PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE 1

The first of two Public Information Centres being planned as part of this study has been arranged to present and solicit feedback on the study background, existing study area conditions, preliminary improvement alternatives, the evaluation process, and next steps in the Class EA process. In light of COVID-19 and associated physical distancing requirements for the foreseeable future, PIC 1 will be hosted online. **The PIC will be available for your review on the study website at www.highway401brockville.ca on December 10, 2020.** A recorded presentation will be available as part of the online PIC until January 21, 2021.

COMMENTS

You are encouraged to participate in the study and to provide comments in writing to the study team. If you wish to have your name added to the study mailing list, have any comments, questions or concerns, and/or are unable to access the online PIC 1 materials provided on the study website, please contact one of the following study team members:

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Please visit the study website to review study information including notices, background information and PIC displays. Other study materials will also be provided on the study website, as they become available. Comments and questions to the study team can be submitted on the study website.

If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this study, please contact one of the study team members listed above. Comments and information are being collected to assist to MTO in meeting the requirements of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments will be maintained on file for use during the studies and, with the exception of personal information, may be included in the study documentation and become part of the public record.