APPENDIX E - PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER COMMENTS

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Andrea LaPlante

From:

Sent: Friday, July 22, 2022 1:28 PM

To: ngolla@niagarafalls.ca; Andrea LaPlante

Subject: IO EA Notice Response - Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection

Improvements

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Good Afternoon,

Thank you for sending us the Notice of Public Information Center for the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements in the City of Niagara Falls

Our initial scan indicates that property owned by the Minister of Government and Consumer Services is within and adjacent to your project's study area. This property is identified by the following Pins:

- 642570254
- 643720361

While this was identified in our scan, it is ultimately the proponent's responsibility to verify if provincial government property is within the study area. Title documents may identify owners of provincial government property as any of the following:

- Her Majesty the Queen
- His Majesty the King
- Hydro One
- Hydro One Networks Inc.
- Management Board Secretariat (MBS)
- Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure (MEDEI)
- Minister of Energy and Infrastructure (MEI)
- Minister of Government and Consumer Services (MGCS)
- Minister of Infrastructure (MOI)
- Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF)
- Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal (PIR)
- Minister of Public Works
- Minister of Transportation (MTO)
- Ontario Lands Corporation (OLC)
- Ontario Realty Corporation (ORC)

If provincial government property in the study area is not required for the project, please continue to consult us as a directly affected stakeholder. However, if government property is required for the project, the proponent should contact us so that we can advise about requirements for obtaining government property.

Additionally, please remember to send notices to our dedicated notice email address: noticereview@infrastructureontario.ca

Kind regards,



Rachael Contini (she, her) Infrastructure Ontario Co-op, Environmental Management

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Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Andrea LaPlante

From:

Sent: Monday, January 31, 2022 10:19 AM

To: ngolia@niagarafalls.ca; Andrea LaPlante

Cc:

Subject:

RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MEA Class EA, City

of Niagara Falls

Attachments:

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Commencement-JAN-14-2022.pdf

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Good morning,

Please see attached Acknowledgement letter and attachments.

Best regards,

Regional Environmental Planner
Project Review Unit | Environmental Assessment Branch
Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

From: Andrea LaPlante laplantea@ae.ca

Sent: January 14, 2022 2:20 PM

To:

Cc: Nick Golia < ngolia@niagarafalls.ca >

Subject: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MEA Class EA, City of Niagara Falls

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Associated Engineering has been retained by the City of Niagara Falls to carry out a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to assess alternative solutions for intersection improvements at Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road in the City of Niagara Falls.

Further information on this Study is provided in the attached Notice of Commencement. In addition to providing the Notice of Commencement, I am requesting a list of potentially affected Indigenous communities to be consulted for this study.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Regards

Andrea LaPlante, P.Eng. Environmental Assessment Coordinator Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd. Suite 300 – 101 Lampman Court, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON LOS 1J0 Tel: 905.346.0990 | Dir: 289-434-4804

Please note that our location remains the same, but our street has been renamed from Glendale Avenue East to Lampman Court.



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January 31, 2022

Nick Golia City of Niagara Falls

Andrea LaPlante
Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd

Re: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Response to Notice of Commencement

Dear Nick Golia and Andrea LaPlante.

This letter is in response to the Notice of Commencement for the above noted project. The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) acknowledges that the City of Niagara Falls has indicated that the study is following the approved environmental planning process for a Schedule B project under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA).

The updated (February 2021) attached "Areas of Interest" document provides guidance regarding the ministry's interests with respect to the Class EA process. Please address all areas of interest in the EA documentation at an appropriate level for the EA study. Proponents who address all the applicable areas of interest can minimize potential delays to the project schedule. Further information is provided at the end of the Areas of Interest document relating to recent changes to the Environmental Assessment Act through Bill 197, Covid-19 Economic Recovery Act 2020.

The Crown has a legal duty to consult Aboriginal communities when it has knowledge, real or constructive, of the existence or potential existence of an Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that may adversely impact that right. Before authorizing this project, the Crown must ensure that its duty to consult has been fulfilled, where such a duty is triggered. Although the duty to consult with Aboriginal peoples is a duty of the Crown, the Crown may delegate procedural aspects of this duty to project proponents while retaining oversight of the consultation process.

The proposed project may have the potential to affect Aboriginal or treaty rights protected under Section 35 of Canada's *Constitution Act* 1982. Where the Crown's duty to consult is triggered in relation to the proposed project, **the MECP is delegating the procedural aspects of rights-based consultation to the proponent through this letter.** The Crown intends to rely on the delegated consultation process in discharging its duty to consult and maintains the right to participate in the consultation process as it sees fit.

Based on information provided to date and the Crown's preliminary assessment the proponent is required to consult with the following communities who have been identified as potentially affected by the proposed project:

- Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation
- Six Nations of the Grand River (Elected Council and Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council with a copy to Haudenosaunee Development Institute)

Steps that the proponent may need to take in relation to Aboriginal consultation for the proposed project are outlined in the "Code of Practice for Consultation in Ontario's Environmental Assessment Process". Additional information related to Ontario's Environmental Assessment Act is available online at: www.ontario.ca/environmentalassessments.

Please also refer to the attached document "A Proponent's Introduction to the Delegation of Procedural Aspects of consultation with Aboriginal Communities" for further information, including the MECP's expectations for EA report documentation related to consultation with communities.

The proponent must contact the Director of Environmental Assessment Branch (EABDirector@ontario.ca) under the following circumstances subsequent to initial discussions with the communities identified by MECP:

- Aboriginal or treaty rights impacts are identified to you by the communities
- You have reason to believe that your proposed project may adversely affect an Aboriginal or treaty right
- Consultation with Indigenous communities or other stakeholders has reached an impasse
- A Part II Order request is expected on the basis of impacts to Aboriginal or treaty rights

The MECP will then assess the extent of any Crown duty to consult for the circumstances and will consider whether additional steps should be taken, including what role you will be asked to play should additional steps and activities be required.

A draft copy of the report should be sent directly to me prior to the filing of the final report, allowing a minimum of 30 days for the ministry's technical reviewers to provide comments.

Please also ensure a copy of the final notice is sent to the ministry's West Central Region EA notification email account (eanotification.wcregion@ontario.ca) after the draft report is reviewed and finalized.

Should you or any n	nembers of your	project team	have any o	questions i	egarding the	material a	above,
please contact me a	at						

Yours truly,

Regional Environmental Planner – West Central Region

cc , Supervisor, Environmental Assessment Services, MECP , Niagara District Manager, MECP

Attach: Areas of Interest

A Proponent's Introduction to the Delegation of Procedural Aspects of Consultation with Aboriginal Communities

AREAS OF INTEREST (v. February 2021)

It is suggested that you check off each section after you have considered / addressed it.

□ Planning and Policy

- Projects located in MECP Central Region are subject to <u>A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe</u> (2020). Parts of the study area may also be subject to the <u>Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan</u> (2017), <u>Niagara Escarpment Plan</u> (2017), <u>Greenbelt Plan</u> (2017) or <u>Lake Simcoe Protection Plan</u> (2014). Applicable plans and the applicable policies should be identified in the report, and the proponent should <u>describe</u> how the proposed project adheres to the relevant policies in these plans.
- The <u>Provincial Policy Statement</u> (2020) contains policies that protect Ontario's natural heritage and water resources. Applicable policies should be referenced in the report, and the proponent should <u>describe</u> how the proposed project is consistent with these policies.
- In addition to the provincial planning and policy level, the report should also discuss the planning context at the municipal and federal levels, as appropriate.

Source Water Protection

The Clean Water Act, 2006 (CWA) aims to protect existing and future sources of drinking water. To achieve this, several types of vulnerable areas have been delineated around surface water intakes and wellheads for every municipal residential drinking water system that is located in a source protection area. These vulnerable areas are known as a Wellhead Protection Areas (WHPAs) and surface water Intake Protection Zones (IPZs). Other vulnerable areas that have been delineated under the CWA include Highly Vulnerable Aquifers (HVAs), Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas (SGRAs), Event-based modelling areas (EBAs), and Issues Contributing Areas (ICAs). Source protection plans have been developed that include policies to address existing and future risks to sources of municipal drinking water within these vulnerable areas.

Projects that are subject to the Environmental Assessment Act that fall under a Class EA, or one of the Regulations, have the potential to impact sources of drinking water if they occur in designated vulnerable areas or in the vicinity of other at-risk drinking water systems (i.e. systems that are not municipal residential systems). MEA Class EA projects may include activities that, if located in a vulnerable area, could be a threat to sources of drinking water (i.e. have the potential to adversely affect the quality or quantity of drinking water sources) and the activity could therefore be subject to policies in a source protection plan. Where an activity poses a risk to drinking water, policies in the local source protection plan may impact how or where that activity is undertaken. Policies may prohibit certain activities, or they may require risk management measures for these activities. Municipal Official Plans, planning decisions, Class EA projects (where the project includes an activity that is a threat to drinking water) and prescribed instruments must conform with policies that address significant risks to drinking water and must have regard for policies that address moderate or low risks.

- In October 2015, the MEA Parent Class EA document was amended to include reference to the Clean Water Act (Section A.2.10.6) and indicates that proponents undertaking a Municipal Class EA project must identify early in their process whether a project is or could potentially be occurring with a vulnerable area. Given this requirement, please include a section in the report on source water protection.
 - The proponent should identify the source protection area and should clearly document how the proximity of the project to sources of drinking water (municipal or other) and any delineated vulnerable areas was considered and assessed. Specifically, the report should discuss whether or not the project is located in a vulnerable area and provide applicable details about the area.

- o If located in a vulnerable area, proponents should document whether any project activities are prescribed drinking water threats and thus pose a risk to drinking water (this should be consulted on with the appropriate Source Protection Authority). Where an activity poses a risk to drinking water, the proponent must document and discuss in the report how the project adheres to or has regard to applicable policies in the local source protection plan. This section should then be used to inform and be reflected in other sections of the report, such as the identification of net positive/negative effects of alternatives, mitigation measures, evaluation of alternatives etc.
- While most source protection plans focused on including policies for significant drinking water threats
 in the WHPAs and IPZs it should be noted that even though source protection plan policies may not
 apply in HVAs, these are areas where aquifers are sensitive and at risk to impacts and within these
 areas, activities may impact the quality of sources of drinking water for systems other than municipal
 residential systems.
- In order to determine if this project is occurring within a vulnerable area, proponents can use this mapping tool: http://www.applications.ene.gov.on.ca/swp/en/index.php. Note that various layers (including WHPAs, WHPA-Q1 and WHPA-Q2, IPZs, HVAs, SGRAs, EBAs, ICAs) can be turned on through the "Map Legend" bar on the left. The mapping tool will also provide a link to the appropriate source protection plan in order to identify what policies may be applicable in the vulnerable area.
- For further information on the maps or source protection plan policies which may relate to their
 project, proponents must contact the appropriate source protection authority. Please consult with the
 local source protection authority to discuss potential impacts on drinking water. Please
 document the results of that consultation within the report and include all communication
 documents/correspondence.

More Information

For more information on the *Clean Water Act*, source protection areas and plans, including specific information on the vulnerable areas and drinking water threats, please refer to <u>Conservation Ontario's website</u> where you will also find links to the local source protection plan/assessment report.

A list of the prescribed drinking water threats can be found in <u>section 1.1 of Ontario Regulation 287/07</u> made under the *Clean Water Act*. In addition to prescribed drinking water threats, some source protection plans may include policies to address additional "local" threat activities, as approved by the MECP.

□ Climate Change

The document "Considering Climate Change in the Environmental Assessment Process" (Guide) is now a part of the Environmental Assessment program's Guides and Codes of Practice. The Guide sets out the MECP's expectation for considering climate change in the preparation, execution and documentation of environmental assessment studies and processes. The guide provides examples, approaches, resources, and references to assist proponents with consideration of climate change in EA. Proponents should review this Guide in detail.

• The MECP expects proponents of Class EA projects to:

- 1. Consider during the assessment of alternative solutions and alternative designs, the following:
 - a. the project's expected production of greenhouse gas emissions and impacts on carbon sinks (climate change mitigation); and
 - b. resilience or vulnerability of the undertaking to changing climatic conditions (climate change adaptation).
- 2. Include a discrete section in the report detailing how climate change was considered in the EA.

How climate change is considered can be qualitative or quantitative in nature and should be scaled to the project's level of environmental effect. In all instances, both a project's impacts on climate change (mitigation) and impacts of climate change on a project (adaptation) should be considered.

• The MECP has also prepared another guide to support provincial land use planning direction related to the completion of energy and emission plans. The "Community Emissions Reduction Planning: A Guide for Municipalities" document is designed to educate stakeholders on the municipal opportunities to reduce energy and greenhouse gas emissions, and to provide guidance on methods and techniques to incorporate consideration of energy and greenhouse gas emissions into municipal activities of all types. We encourage you to review the Guide for information.

□ Air Quality, Dust and Noise

- If there are sensitive receptors in the surrounding area of this project, a quantitative air quality/odour impact assessment will be useful to evaluate alternatives, determine impacts and identify appropriate mitigation measures. The scope of the assessment can be determined based on the potential effects of the proposed alternatives, and typically includes source and receptor characterization and a quantification of local air quality impacts on the sensitive receptors and the environment in the study area. The assessment will compare to all applicable standards or guidelines for all contaminants of concern. Please contact this office for further consultation on the level of Air Quality Impact Assessment required for this project if not already advised.
- If a quantitative Air Quality Impact Assessment is not required for the project, the MECP expects that the report contain a qualitative assessment which includes:
 - A discussion of local air quality including existing activities/sources that significantly impact local air quality and how the project may impact existing conditions;
 - A discussion of the nearby sensitive receptors and the project's potential air quality impacts on present and future sensitive receptors;
 - A discussion of local air quality impacts that could arise from this project during both construction and operation; and
 - A discussion of potential mitigation measures.
- As a common practice, "air quality" should be used an evaluation criterion for all road projects.
- Dust and noise control measures should be addressed and included in the construction plans to
 ensure that nearby residential and other sensitive land uses within the study area are not adversely
 affected during construction activities.
- The MECP recommends that non-chloride dust-suppressants be applied. For a comprehensive list of
 fugitive dust prevention and control measures that could be applied, refer to <u>Cheminfo Services Inc.</u>
 <u>Best Practices for the Reduction of Air Emissions from Construction and Demolition Activities</u> report
 prepared for Environment Canada. March 2005.
- The report should consider the potential impacts of increased noise levels during the operation of the completed project. The proponent should explore all potential measures to mitigate significant noise impacts during the assessment of alternatives.

□ Ecosystem Protection and Restoration

- Any impacts to ecosystem form and function must be avoided where possible. The report should describe any proposed mitigation measures and how project planning will protect and enhance the local ecosystem.
- Natural heritage and hydrologic features should be identified and described in detail to assess
 potential impacts and to develop appropriate mitigation measures. The following sensitive
 environmental features may be located within or adjacent to the study area:
 - Key Natural Heritage Features: Habitat of endangered species and threatened species, fish habitat, wetlands, areas of natural and scientific interest (ANSIs), significant valleylands,

- significant woodlands; significant wildlife habitat (including habitat of special concern species); sand barrens, savannahs, and tallgrass prairies; and alvars.
- Key Hydrologic Features: Permanent streams, intermittent streams, inland lakes and their littoral zones, seepage areas and springs, and wetlands.
- Other natural heritage features and areas such as: vegetation communities, rare species of flora or fauna, Environmentally Sensitive Areas, Environmentally Sensitive Policy Areas, federal and provincial parks and conservation reserves, Greenland systems etc.

We recommend consulting with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and your local conservation authority to determine if special measures or additional studies will be necessary to preserve and protect these sensitive features. In addition, you may consider the provisions of the Rouge Park Management Plan if applicable.

□ Species at Risk

- The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks has now assumed responsibility of Ontario's Species at Risk program. Information, standards, guidelines, reference materials and technical resources to assist you are found at https://www.ontario.ca/page/species-risk.
- The Client's Guide to Preliminary Screening for Species at Risk (Draft May 2019) has been attached to the covering email for your reference and use. Please review this document for next steps.
- For any questions related to subsequent permit requirements, please contact SAROntario@ontario.ca.

□ Surface Water

- The report must include enough information to demonstrate that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or ecological functions of any watercourses within the study area. Measures should be included in the planning and design process to ensure that any impacts to watercourses from construction or operational activities (e.g. spills, erosion, pollution) are mitigated as part of the proposed undertaking.
- Additional stormwater runoff from new pavement can impact receiving watercourses and flood conditions. Quality and quantity control measures to treat stormwater runoff should be considered for all new impervious areas and, where possible, existing surfaces. The ministry's <u>Stormwater Management Planning and Design Manual (2003)</u> should be referenced in the report and utilized when designing stormwater control methods. A <u>Stormwater Management Plan should be prepared as part of the Class EA process</u> that includes:
 - Strategies to address potential water quantity and erosion impacts related to stormwater draining into streams or other sensitive environmental features, and to ensure that adequate (enhanced) water quality is maintained
 - Watershed information, drainage conditions, and other relevant background information
 - Future drainage conditions, stormwater management options, information on erosion and sediment control during construction, and other details of the proposed works
 - Information on maintenance and monitoring commitments.
- Ontario Regulation 60/08 under the Ontario Water Resources Act (OWRA) applies to the Lake Simcoe Basin, which encompasses Lake Simcoe and the lands from which surface water drains into Lake Simcoe. If the proposed sewage treatment plant is listed in Table 1 of the regulation, the report should describe how the proposed project and its mitigation measures are consistent with the requirements of this regulation and the OWRA.

Any potential approval requirements for surface water taking or discharge should be identified in the
report. A Permit to Take Water (PTTW) under the OWRA will be required for any water takings that
exceed 50,000 L/day, except for certain water taking activities that have been prescribed by the Water
Taking EASR Regulation – O. Reg. 63/16. These prescribed water-taking activities require registration
in the EASR instead of a PTTW. Please review the Water Taking User Guide for EASR for more
information. Additionally, an Environmental Compliance Approval under the OWRA is required for
municipal stormwater management works.

□ Groundwater

- The status of, and potential impacts to any well water supplies should be addressed. If the project involves groundwater takings or changes to drainage patterns, the quantity and quality of groundwater may be affected due to drawdown effects or the redirection of existing contamination flows. In addition, project activities may infringe on existing wells such that they must be reconstructed or sealed and abandoned. Appropriate information to define existing groundwater conditions should be included in the report.
- If the potential construction or decommissioning of water wells is identified as an issue, the report should refer to Ontario Regulation 903, Wells, under the OWRA.
- Potential impacts to groundwater-dependent natural features should be addressed. Any changes to
 groundwater flow or quality from groundwater taking may interfere with the ecological processes of
 streams, wetlands or other surficial features. In addition, discharging contaminated or high volumes of
 groundwater to these features may have direct impacts on their function. Any potential effects should
 be identified, and appropriate mitigation measures should be recommended. The level of detail
 required will be dependent on the significance of the potential impacts.
- Any potential approval requirements for groundwater taking or discharge should be identified in the
 report. A Permit to Take Water (PTTW) under the OWRA will be required for any water takings that
 exceed 50,000 L/day, with the exception of certain water taking activities that have been prescribed
 by the Water Taking EASR Regulation O. Reg. 63/16. These prescribed water-taking activities
 require registration in the EASR instead of a PTTW. Please review the <u>Water Taking User Guide for
 EASR</u> for more information.
- Consultation with the railroad authorities is necessary wherever there is a plan to use construction dewatering in the vicinity of railroad lines or where the zone of influence of the construction dewatering potentially intercepts railroad lines.

□ Excess Materials Management

- In December 2019, MECP released a new regulation under the Environmental Protection Act, titled "On-Site and Excess Soil Management" (O. Reg. 406/19) to support improved management of excess construction soil. This regulation is a key step to support proper management of excess soils, ensuring valuable resources don't go to waste and to provide clear rules on managing and reusing excess soil. New risk-based standards referenced by this regulation help to facilitate local beneficial reuse which in turn will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from soil transportation, while ensuring strong protection of human health and the environment. The new regulation is being phased in over time, with the first phase in effect on January 1, 2021. For more information, please visit https://www.ontario.ca/page/handling-excess-soil.
- The report should reference that activities involving the management of excess soil should be completed in accordance with O. Reg. 406/19 and the MECP's current guidance document titled "Management of Excess Soil – A Guide for Best Management Practices" (2014).

All waste generated during construction must be disposed of in accordance with ministry requirements

□ Contaminated Sites

- Any current or historical waste disposal sites should be identified in the report. The status of these
 sites should be determined to confirm whether approval pursuant to Section 46 of the EPA may be
 required for land uses on former disposal sites. We recommend referring to the MECP's D-4 guideline
 for land use considerations near landfills and dumps.
 - Resources available may include regional/local municipal official plans and data; provincial data on large landfill sites and small landfill sites; Environmental Compliance Approval information for waste disposal sites on Access Environment.
- Other known contaminated sites (local, provincial, federal) in the study area should also be identified
 in the report (Note information on federal contaminated sites is found on the Government of
 Canada's website).
- The location of any underground storage tanks should be investigated in the report. Measures should be identified to ensure the integrity of these tanks and to ensure an appropriate response in the event of a spill. The ministry's Spills Action Centre must be contacted in such an event.
- Since the removal or movement of soils may be required, appropriate tests to determine contaminant
 levels from previous land uses or dumping should be undertaken. If the soils are contaminated, you
 must determine how and where they are to be disposed of, consistent with *Part XV.1 of the Environmental Protection Act* (EPA) and Ontario Regulation 153/04, Records of Site Condition, which
 details the new requirements related to site assessment and clean up. Please contact the appropriate
 MECP District Office for further consultation if contaminated sites are present.

□ Servicing, Utilities and Facilities

- The report should identify any above or underground utilities in the study area such as transmission lines, telephone/internet, oil/gas etc. The owners should be consulted to discuss impacts to this infrastructure, including potential spills.
- The report should identify any servicing infrastructure in the study area such as wastewater, water, stormwater that may potentially be impacted by the project.
- Any facility that releases emissions to the atmosphere, discharges contaminants to ground or surface
 water, provides potable water supplies, or stores, transports or disposes of waste must have an
 Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA) before it can operate lawfully. Please consult with
 MECP's Environmental Permissions Branch to determine whether a new or amended ECA will be
 required for any proposed infrastructure.
- We recommend referring to the ministry's <u>environmental land use planning guides</u> to ensure that any
 potential land use conflicts are considered when planning for any infrastructure or facilities related to
 wastewater, pipelines, landfills or industrial uses.

☐ Mitigation and Monitoring

 Contractors must be made aware of all environmental considerations so that all environmental standards and commitments for both construction and operation are met. Mitigation measures should be clearly referenced in the report and regularly monitored during the construction stage of the project. In addition, we encourage proponents to conduct post-construction monitoring to ensure all mitigation measures have been effective and are functioning properly.

- Design and construction reports and plans should be based on a best management approach that
 centres on the prevention of impacts, protection of the existing environment, and opportunities for
 rehabilitation and enhancement of any impacted areas.
- The proponent's construction and post-construction monitoring plans must be documented in the report, as outlined in Section A.2.5 and A.4.1 of the MEA Class EA parent document.

□ Consultation

- The report must demonstrate how the consultation provisions of the Class EA have been fulfilled, including documentation of all stakeholder consultation efforts undertaken during the planning process. This includes a discussion in the report that identifies concerns that were raised and describes how they have been addressed by the proponent throughout the planning process. The report should also include copies of comments submitted on the project by interested stakeholders, and the proponent's responses to these comments (as directed by the Class EA to include full documentation).
- Please include the full stakeholder distribution/consultation list in the documentation.

□ Class EA Process

- If this project is a Master Plan: there are several different approaches that can be used to conduct a Master Plan, examples of which are outlined in Appendix 4 of the Class EA. The Master Plan should clearly indicate the selected approach for conducting the plan, by identifying whether the levels of assessment, consultation and documentation are sufficient to fulfill the requirements for Schedule B or C projects. Please note that any Schedule B or C projects identified in the plan would be subject to Part II Order Requests under the Environmental Assessment Act, although the plan itself would not be. Please include a description of the approach being undertaken (use Appendix 4 as a reference).
- If this project is a Master Plan: Any identified projects should also include information on the MCEA schedule associated with the project.
- The report should provide clear and complete documentation of the planning process in order to allow for transparency in decision-making.
- The Class EA requires the consideration of the effects of each alternative on all aspects of the environment (including planning, natural, social, cultural, economic, technical). The report should include a level of detail (e.g. hydrogeological investigations, terrestrial and aquatic assessments, cultural heritage assessments) such that all potential impacts can be identified, and appropriate mitigation measures can be developed. Any supporting studies conducted during the Class EA process should be referenced and included as part of the report.
- Please include in the report a list of all subsequent permits or approvals that may be required for the
 implementation of the preferred alternative, including but not limited to, MECP's PTTW, EASR
 Registrations and ECAs, conservation authority permits, species at risk permits, MTO permits and
 approvals under the *Impact Assessment Act*, 2019.

Ministry guidelines and other information related to the issues above are available at
 http://www.ontario.ca/environment-and-energy/environment-and-energy. We encourage you to review
 all the available guides and to reference any relevant information in the report.

Amendments to the EAA through the Covid-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020

Once the EA Report is finalized, the proponent must issue a Notice of Completion providing a minimum 30-day period during which documentation may be reviewed and comment and input can be submitted to the proponent. The Notice of Completion must be sent to the appropriate MECP Regional Office email address (for projects in MECP Southwest Region, the email is eanotification.swregion@ontario.ca).

The public has the ability to request a higher level of assessment on a project if they are concerned about potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. In addition, the Minister may issue an order on his or her own initiative within a specified time period. The Director (of the Environmental Assessment Branch) will issue a Notice of Proposed Order to the proponent if the Minister is considering an order for the project within 30 days after the conclusion of the comment period on the Notice of Completion. At this time, the Director may request additional information from the proponent. Once the requested information has been received, the Minister will have 30 days within which to make a decision or impose conditions on your project.

Therefore, the proponent cannot proceed with the project until at least 30 days after the end of the comment period provided for in the Notice of Completion. Further, the proponent may not proceed after this time if:

- a Part II Order request has been submitted to the ministry regarding potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, or
- the Director has issued a Notice of Proposed order regarding the project.

Please ensure that the Notice of Completion advises that outstanding concerns are to be directed to the proponent for a response, and that in the event there are outstanding concerns regarding potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, Part II Order requests on those matters should be addressed in writing to:

Minister Jeff Yurek
Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto ON M7A 2J3
minister.mecp@ontario.ca

and

Director, Environmental Assessment Branch Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor Toronto ON, M4V 1P5 EABDirector@ontario.ca

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions are specific to this document and may not apply in other contexts:

Aboriginal communities – the First Nation or Métis communities identified by the Crown for the purpose of consultation.

Consultation – the Crown's legal obligation to consult when the Crown has knowledge of an established or asserted Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that might adversely impact that right. This is the type of consultation required pursuant to s. 35 of the *Constitution Act*, 1982. Note that this definition does not include consultation with Aboriginal communities for other reasons, such as regulatory requirements.

Crown - the Ontario Crown, acting through a particular ministry or ministries.

Procedural aspects of consultation – those portions of consultation related to the process of consultation, such as notifying an Aboriginal community about a project, providing information about the potential impacts of a project, responding to concerns raised by an Aboriginal community and proposing changes to the project to avoid negative impacts.

Proponent – the person or entity that wants to undertake a project and requires an Ontario Crown decision or approval for the project.

I. PURPOSE

The Crown has a legal duty to consult Aboriginal communities when it has knowledge of an existing or asserted Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that may adversely impact that right. In outlining a framework for the duty to consult, the Supreme Court of Canada has stated that the Crown may delegate procedural aspects of consultation to third parties. This document provides general information about the Ontario Crown's approach to delegation of the procedural aspects of consultation to proponents.

This document is not intended to instruct a proponent about an individual project, and it does not constitute legal advice.

II. WHY IS IT NECESSARY TO CONSULT WITH ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES?

The objective of the modern law of Aboriginal and treaty rights is the *reconciliation* of Aboriginal peoples and non-Aboriginal peoples and their respective rights, claims and interests. Consultation is an important component of the reconciliation process.

The Crown has a legal duty to consult Aboriginal communities when it has knowledge of an existing or asserted Aboriginal or treaty right and contemplates conduct that might adversely impact that right. For example, the Crown's duty to consult is triggered when it considers issuing a permit, authorization or approval for a project which has the potential to adversely impact an Aboriginal right, such as the right to hunt, fish, or trap in a particular area.

The scope of consultation required in particular circumstances ranges across a spectrum depending on both the nature of the asserted or established right and the seriousness of the potential adverse impacts on that right.

Depending on the particular circumstances, the Crown may also need to take steps to accommodate the potentially impacted Aboriginal or treaty right. For example, the Crown may be required to avoid or minimize the potential adverse impacts of the project.

III. THE CROWN'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE DELEGATED CONSULTATION PROCESS

The Crown has the responsibility for ensuring that the duty to consult, and accommodate where appropriate, is met. However, the Crown may delegate the procedural aspects of consultation to a proponent.

There are different ways in which the Crown may delegate the procedural aspects of consultation to a proponent, including through a letter, a memorandum of understanding, legislation, regulation, policy and codes of practice.

If the Crown decides to delegate procedural aspects of consultation, the Crown will generally:

- Ensure that the delegation of procedural aspects of consultation and the responsibilities of the proponent are clearly communicated to the proponent;
- Identify which Aboriginal communities must be consulted;
- Provide contact information for the Aboriginal communities;
- Revise, as necessary, the list of Aboriginal communities to be consulted as new information becomes available and is assessed by the Crown;
- Assess the scope of consultation owed to the Aboriginal communities;
- Maintain appropriate oversight of the actions taken by the proponent in fulfilling the procedural aspects of consultation;
- Assess the adequacy of consultation that is undertaken and any accommodation that may be required;
- Provide a contact within any responsible ministry in case issues arise that require direction from the Crown; and
- Participate in the consultation process as necessary and as determined by the Crown.

IV. THE PROPONENT'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE DELEGATED CONSULTATION PROCESS

Where aspects of the consultation process have been delegated to a proponent, the Crown, in meeting its duty to consult, will rely on the proponent's consultation activities and documentation of those activities. The consultation process informs the Crown's decision of whether or not to approve a proposed project or activity.

A proponent's role and responsibilities will vary depending on a variety of factors including the extent of consultation required in the circumstance and the procedural aspects of consultation the Crown has delegated to it. Proponents are often in a better position than the Crown to discuss a project and its potential impacts with Aboriginal communities and to determine ways to avoid or minimize the adverse impacts of a project.

A proponent can raise issues or questions with the Crown at any time during the consultation process. If issues or concerns arise during the consultation that cannot be addressed by the proponent, the proponent should contact the Crown.

a) What might a proponent be required to do in carrying out the procedural aspects of consultation?

Where the Crown delegates procedural aspects of consultation, it is often the proponent's responsibility to provide notice of the proposed project to the identified Aboriginal communities. The notice should indicate that the Crown has delegated the procedural aspects of consultation to the proponent and should include the following information:

- a description of the proposed project or activity;
- mapping;
- proposed timelines;
- details regarding anticipated environmental and other impacts;
- details regarding opportunities to comment; and
- any changes to the proposed project that have been made for seasonal conditions or other factors, where relevant.

Proponents should provide enough information and time to allow Aboriginal communities to provide meaningful feedback regarding the potential impacts of the project. Depending on the nature of consultation required for a project, a proponent also may be required to:

- provide the Crown with copies of any consultation plans prepared and an opportunity to review and comment;
- ensure that any necessary follow-up discussions with Aboriginal communities take place in a timely manner, including to confirm receipt of information, share and update information and to address questions or concerns that may arise;
- as appropriate, discuss with Aboriginal communities potential mitigation measures and/or changes to the project in response to concerns raised by Aboriginal communities;
- use language that is accessible and not overly technical, and translate material into Aboriginal languages where requested or appropriate;
- bear the reasonable costs associated with the consultation process such as, but not limited to, meeting hall rental, meal costs, document translation(s), or to address technical & capacity issues;
- provide the Crown with all the details about potential impacts on established or asserted Aboriginal or treaty rights, how these concerns have been considered and addressed by the proponent and the Aboriginal communities and any steps taken to mitigate the potential impacts;
- provide the Crown with complete and accurate documentation from these meetings and communications; and
- notify the Crown immediately if an Aboriginal community not identified by the Crown approaches the proponent seeking consultation opportunities.

b) What documentation and reporting does the Crown need from the proponent?

Proponents should keep records of all communications with the Aboriginal communities involved in the consultation process and any information provided to these Aboriginal communities.

As the Crown is required to assess the adequacy of consultation, it needs documentation to satisfy itself that the proponent has fulfilled the procedural aspects of consultation delegated to it. The documentation required would typically include:

 the date of meetings, the agendas, any materials distributed, those in attendance and copies of any minutes prepared;

- the description of the proposed project that was shared at the meeting;
- any and all concerns or other feedback provided by the communities;
- any information that was shared by a community in relation to its asserted or established Aboriginal or treaty rights and any potential adverse impacts of the proposed activity, approval or disposition on such rights;
- any proposed project changes or mitigation measures that were discussed, and feedback from Aboriginal communities about the proposed changes and measures;
- any commitments made by the proponent in response to any concerns raised, and feedback from Aboriginal communities on those commitments;
- copies of correspondence to or from Aboriginal communities, and any materials distributed electronically or by mail;
- information regarding any financial assistance provided by the proponent to enable participation by Aboriginal communities in the consultation;
- periodic consultation progress reports or copies of meeting notes if requested by the Crown;
- a summary of how the delegated aspects of consultation were carried out and the results; and
- a summary of issues raised by the Aboriginal communities, how the issues were addressed and any outstanding issues.

In certain circumstances, the Crown may share and discuss the proponent's consultation record with an Aboriginal community to ensure that it is an accurate reflection of the consultation process.

c) Will the Crown require a proponent to provide information about its commercial arrangements with Aboriginal communities?

The Crown may require a proponent to share information about aspects of commercial arrangements between the proponent and Aboriginal communities where the arrangements:

- include elements that are directed at mitigating or otherwise addressing impacts of the project;
- include securing an Aboriginal community's support for the project; or
- may potentially affect the obligations of the Crown to the Aboriginal communities.

The proponent should make every reasonable effort to exempt the Crown from confidentiality provisions in commercial arrangements with Aboriginal communities to the extent necessary to allow this information to be shared with the Crown.

The Crown cannot guarantee that information shared with the Crown will remain confidential. Confidential commercial information should not be provided to the Crown as part of the consultation record if it is not relevant to the duty to consult or otherwise required to be submitted to the Crown as part of the regulatory process.

V. WHAT ARE THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES' IN THE CONSULTATION PROCESS?

Like the Crown, Aboriginal communities are expected to engage in consultation in good faith. This includes:

- responding to the consultation notice;
- engaging in the proposed consultation process;
- providing relevant documentation;

- clearly articulating the potential impacts of the proposed project on Aboriginal or treaty rights;
 and
- discussing ways to mitigates any adverse impacts.

Some Aboriginal communities have developed tools, such as consultation protocols, policies or processes that provide guidance on how they would prefer to be consulted. Although not legally binding, proponents are encouraged to respect these community processes where it is reasonable to do so. Please note that there is no obligation for a proponent to pay a fee to an Aboriginal community in order to enter into a consultation process.

To ensure that the Crown is aware of existing community consultation protocols, proponents should contact the relevant Crown ministry when presented with a consultation protocol by an Aboriginal community or anyone purporting to be a representative of an Aboriginal community.

VI. WHAT IF MORE THAN ONE PROVINCIAL CROWN MINISTRY IS INVOLVED IN APPROVING A PROPONENT'S PROJECT?

Depending on the project and the required permits or approvals, one or more ministries may delegate procedural aspects of the Crown's duty to consult to the proponent. The proponent may contact individual ministries for guidance related to the delegation of procedural aspects of consultation for ministry-specific permits/approvals required for the project in question. Proponents are encouraged to seek input from all involved Crown ministries sooner rather than later.

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Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Species at Risk Branch, Permissions and Compliance
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1.0 Purpose, Scope, Background and Context

1.1 Purpose of this Guide

This guide has been created to:

- help clients better understand their obligation to gather information and complete a preliminary screening for species at risk before contacting the ministry.
- outline guidance and advice clients can expect to receive from the ministry at the preliminary screening stage,
- help clients understand how they can gather information about species at risk by accessing publicly available information housed by the Government of Ontario, and
- provide a list of other potential sources of species at risk information that exist outside the Government of Ontario.

It remains the client's responsibility to:

- carry out a preliminary screening for their projects,
- obtain best available information from all applicable information sources,
- conduct any necessary field studies or inventories to identify and confirm the presence or absence of species at risk or their habitat,
- consider any potential impacts to species at risk that a proposed activity might cause, and
- comply with the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

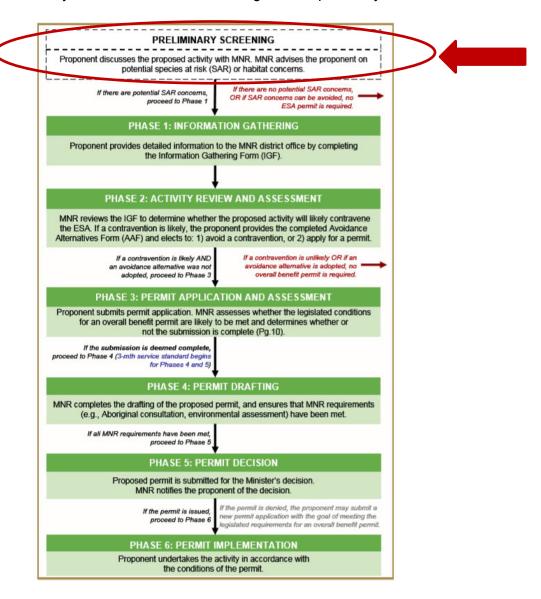
To provide the most efficient service, clients should initiate species at risk screenings and seek information from all applicable information sources identified in this guide, at a minimum, <u>prior to</u> contacting Government of Ontario ministry offices for further information or advice.

1.2 Scope

This guide is a resource for clients seeking to understand if their activity is likely to impact species at risk or if they are likely to trigger the need for an authorization under the ESA. It is not intended to circumvent any detailed site surveys that may be necessary to document species at risk or their habitat nor to circumvent the need to assess the impacts of a proposed activity on species at risk or their habitat. This guide is not an exhaustive list of available information sources for any given area as the availability of information on species at risk and their habitat varies across the province. This guide is intended to support projects and activities carried out on Crown and private land, by private landowners, businesses, other provincial ministries and agencies, or municipal government.

1.3 Background and Context

To receive advice on their proposed activity, clients <u>must first</u> determine whether any species at risk or their habitat exist or are likely to exist at or near their proposed activity, and whether their proposed activity is likely to contravene the ESA. Once this step is complete, clients may contact the ministry at <u>SAROntario@ontario.ca</u> to discuss the main purpose, general methods, timing and location of their proposed activity as well as information obtained about species at risk and their habitat at, or near, the site. At this stage, the ministry can provide advice and guidance to the client about potential species at risk or habitat concerns, measures that the client is considering to avoid adverse effects on species at risk or their habitat and whether additional field surveys are advisable. This is referred to as the "Preliminary Screening" stage. For more information on additional phases in the diagram below, please refer to the *Endangered Species Act Submission Standards for Activity Review and 17(2)(c) Overall Benefit Permits* policy available online at https://www.ontario.ca/page/species-risk-overall-benefit-permits. Please note: any reference to MNR in the diagram is replaced by MECP.



2.0 Roles and Responsibilities

To provide the most efficient service, clients should initiate species at risk screenings and seek information from all applicable information sources identified in this guide <u>prior to</u> contacting Government of Ontario ministry offices for further information or advice.

Step 1: Client seeks information regarding species at risk or their habitat that exist, or are likely to exist, at or near their proposed activity by referring to all applicable information sources identified in this guide.

Step 2: Client reviews and consider guidance on whether their proposed activity is likely to contravene the ESA (see section 3.4 of this guide for guidance on what to consider).

Step 3: Client gathers information identified in the checklist in section 4 of this guide.

Step 4: Client contacts the ministry at SAROntario@ontario.ca to discuss their preliminary screening. Ministry staff will ask the client questions about the main purpose, general methods, timing and location of their proposed activity as well as information obtained about species at risk and their habitat at, or near, the site. Ministry staff will also ask the client for their interpretation of the impacts of their activity on species at risk or their habitat as well as measures the client has considered to avoid any adverse impacts.

Step 5: Ministry staff will provide advice on next steps.

Option A: Ministry staff may advise the client they can proceed with their activity without an authorization under the ESA where the ministry is confident that:

- no protected species at risk or habitats are likely to be present at or near the proposed location of the activity; or
- protected species at risk or habitats are known to be present but the activity is not likely to contravene the ESA; or
- through the adoption of avoidance measures, the modified activity is not likely to contravene the ESA.

Option B: Ministry staff may advise the client to proceed to Phase 1 of the overall benefit permitting process (i.e. Information Gathering in the previous diagram), where:

- there is uncertainty as to whether any protected species at risk or habitats are present at or near the proposed location of the activity; or
- the potential impacts of the proposed activity are uncertain; or
- ministry staff anticipate the proposed activity is likely to contravene the ESA.

3.0 Information Sources

Land Information Ontario (LIO) and the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC) maintain and provide information about species at risk, as well as related information about fisheries, wildlife, crown lands, protected lands and more. This information is made available to organizations, private individuals, consultants, and developers through online sources and is often considered under various pieces of legislation or as part of regulatory approvals and planning processes.

The information available from LIO or NHIC and the sources listed in this guide should not be considered as a substitute for site visits and appropriate field surveys. Generally, this information can be regarded as a starting point from which to conduct further field surveys, if needed. While this data represents best available current information, it is important to note that a lack of information for a site does not mean that species at risk or their habitat are not present. There are many areas where the Government of Ontario does not currently have information, especially in more remote parts of the province. The absence of species at risk location data at or near your site does not necessarily mean no species at risk are present at that location. Onsite assessments can better verify site conditions, identify and confirm presence of species at risk and/or their habitats.

Information on the location (i.e. observations and occurrences) of species at risk is considered sensitive and therefore publicly available only on a 1km square grid as opposed to as a detailed point on a map. This generalized information can help you understand which species at risk are in the general vicinity of your proposed activity and can help inform field level studies you may want to undertake to confirm the presence, or absence of species at risk at or near your site.

Should you require specific and detailed information pertaining to species at risk observations and occurrences at or near your site on a finer geographic scale; you will be required to demonstrate your need to access this information, to complete data sensitivity training and to obtain a Sensitive Data Use License from the NHIC. Information on how to obtain a license can be found online at https://www.ontario.ca/page/get-natural-heritage-information.

Many organizations (e.g. other Ontario ministries, municipalities, conservation authorities) have ongoing licensing to access this data so be sure to check if your organization has this access and consult this data as part of your preliminary screening if your organization already has a license.

3.1 Make a Map: Natural Heritage Areas

The Make a Natural Heritage Area Map (available online at https://www.ontario.ca/page/make-natural-heritage-area-map provides public access to natural heritage information, including species at risk, without the user needing to have Geographic Information System (GIS) capability. It allows users to view and identify generalized species at risk information, mark areas of interest, and create and print a custom map directly from the web application. The tool also shows topographic information such as roads, rivers, contours and municipal boundaries.

Users are advised that sensitive information has been removed from the natural areas dataset and the occurrences of species at risk has been generalized to a 1-kilometre grid to mitigate the risks to the species (e.g. illegal harvest, habitat disturbance, poaching).

The web-based mapping tool displays natural heritage data, including:

- Generalized Species at risk occurrence data (based on a 1-km square grid),
- Natural Heritage Information Centre data.

Data cannot be downloaded directly from this web map; however, information included in this application is available digitally through Land Information Ontario (LIO) at https://www.ontario.ca/page/land-information-ontario.

3.2 Land Information Ontario (LIO)

Most natural heritage data is publicly available. This data is managed in a large provincial corporate database called the LIO Warehouse and can be accessed online through the LIO Metadata Management Tool at

https://www.javacoeapp.lrc.gov.on.ca/geonetwork/srv/en/main.home. This tool provides descriptive information about the characteristics, quality and context of the data. Publicly available geospatial data can be downloaded directly from this site.

While most data are publicly available, some data may be considered highly sensitive (i.e. nursery areas for fish, species at risk observations) and as such, access to some data maybe restricted.

3.3 Additional Species at Risk Information Sources

- The Breeding Bird Atlas can be accessed online at http://www.birdsontario.org/atlas/index.jsp?lang=en
- eBird can be accessed online at https://ebird.org/home
- iNaturalist can be accessed online at https://www.inaturalist.org/
- The Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas can be accessed online at https://ontarionature.org/programs/citizen-science/reptile-amphibian-atlas
- Your local Conservation Authority. Information to help you find your local Conservation
 Authority can be accessed online at https://conservationontario.ca/conservation-authority/
 - Local naturalist groups or other similar community-based organizations
- Local Indigenous communities
- Local land trusts or other similar Environmental Non-Government Organizations
- Field level studies to identify if species at risk, or their habitat, are likely present or absent at or near the site.
- When an activity is proposed within one of the continuous caribou ranges, please be sure to consider the caribou Range Management Policy. This policy includes figures and maps of the continuous caribou range, can be found online at https://www.ontario.ca/page/range-management-policy-support-woodland-caribou-conservation-and-recovery

3.4 Information Sources to Support Impact Assessments

- Guidance to help you understand if your activity is likely to adversely impact species at
 risk or their habitat can be found online at https://www.ontario.ca/page/categorizing-and-protecting-habitat-under-endangered-species-act
- A list of species at risk in Ontario is available online at
 https://www.ontario.ca/page/species-risk-ontario. On this webpage, you can find out more about each species, including where is lives, what threatens it and any specific habitat protections that apply to it by clicking on the photo of the species.

4.0 Check-List

Please feel free to use the check list below to help you confirm you have explored all applicable information sources and to support your discussion with Ministry staff at the preliminary screening stage.

✓	Land Information Ontario (LIO)
✓	Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC)
✓	The Breeding Bird Atlas
✓	eBird
✓	iNaturalist
✓	Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas
✓	List Conservation Authorities you contacted:
✓	List local naturalist groups you contacted:
✓	List local Indigenous communities you contacted:
√	List any other local land trusts or Environmental Non-Government Organizations you
	contacted:
✓	List and field studies that were conducted to identify species at risk, or their habitat, likely
	to be present or absent at or near the site:
✓	List what you think the likely impacts of your activity are on species at risk and their
	habitat (e.g. damage or destruction of habitat, killing, harming or harassing species at
	risk):

Andrea LaPlante

Good afternoon Joan,

body of the PFR can be accessed here: to MECP March 2023

From:

Sent: To:

Subject:

Attachments: MECP PRU Comments - Draft PFR.pdf **Follow Up Flag:** Follow up Flag Status: Flagged Good afternoon, Thank you for circulating the Draft Project File Report for Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MCEA, City of Niagara Falls. Please find attached MECP PRU comments for your considerations. Should you or any members of your project team have any questions regarding the material above. please contact me. Regards, Regional Environmental Planner Project Review Unit | Environmental Assessment Branch Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks From: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca> **Sent:** March 27, 2023 4:15 PM Cc: ngolia@niagarafalls.ca Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MEA Class EA, City of Niagara Falls

Monday, April 17, 2023 2:34 PM

of Niagara Falls

Andrea LaPlante; ngolia@niagarafalls.ca

RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MEA Class EA, City

CAUTION -- EXTERNAL E-MAIL - Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender.

On behalf of the City of Niagara Falls, Associated Engineering Ltd. has undertaken the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for the intersection improvements at Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road in the City of Niagara Falls. As requested in your acknowledgement letter (email below), we are providing a draft copy of the Project File Report (PFR) for MECP review prior to issuing the final PFR and Notice of Completion to the public and stakeholders. I've attached the main body of the PFR to this email for quick reference. Due to size of files, all appendices and the main

If you have any questions or issues accessing the files please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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Re: Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements
City of Niagara Falls
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment – Schedule B
Project Review Unit Comments – Draft Project File Report

Dear Project Team,

Thank you for providing the ministry with an opportunity to comment on the draft Project File Report (Report) for the above noted Class Environmental Assessment (EA) project. Our understanding is that in order to address deficiencies, public safety, and future needs and requirements at the Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection, the City of Niagara Falls (the proponent) has determined that the preferred alternative is to develop All Way Stop Control (AWSC) with Geometric Improvements.

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (ministry) provides the following comments for your consideration.

General

1) Please note that the responsibility for administration of the Ontario heritage Act and matters related to cultural heritage have been transferred from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sports (MTCS) to the Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism (MCM). Individual staff roles and contact information remain unchanged. As a result, please update any relevant contact information in the Report and Appendices.

Noted; updated where relevant

Notice of Completion

2) The Notice of completion and any follow- up correspondence should be included in the final Environmental Study Report. Noted; will be provided when finalizing PFR

Indigenous Consultation

- 1. It appears that The City provided notices to an appropriate list of communities, however, not all the communities have responded to the notifications. Please note Indigenous communities frequently receive a high volume of project notices and require time to review project proposals. For this reason, it is important that a proponent utilize different methods of reaching out to communities and reach out to the communities at different points in the process. Please make sure that detailed documentation of these efforts is contained in the consultation record of the Report, including courier receipts, read receipts for emails and telephone logs recording calls and messages. Noted
- 2. Further to any follow-up during the review period for the EA, the proponent should continue reaching out to all communities previously engaged if there any substantial changes to the project/process or if they are applying for subsequent permits from the ministry that may be of interest or concern to communities. We recommend that the proponent include the record of consultation with any subsequent applications to the MECP to help in our review of those applications.

Excess Materials and Waste

- 3) In December 2019, the ministry released a new regulation under the Environmental Protection Act, titled *On-Site and Excess Soil Management* (O. Reg. 406/19) to support improved management of excess construction soil. The regulation is being phased in over time, with the first phase in effect on January 1, 2021. For more information, please visit www.ontario.ca/page/handling-excess-soil. The Report should reference that activities involving the management of excess soil should be completed in accordance with O. Reg. 406/19 and the ministry's current guidance document titled "Management of Excess Soil A Guide for Best Management Practices" (2014). Noted and updated
- 4) All waste generated during construction must be disposed of in accordance with ministry requirements. Noted; will be included with excess soil planning

Species at Risk

5) It is the responsibility of the proponent to ensure that Species at Risk are not killed, harmed, or harassed, and that their habitat is not damaged or destroyed through the proposed activities to be carried out on the site. If the proposed activities cannot avoid impacting protected species and their habitats, then the proponent will need to apply for an authorization under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). If the proponent believes that their proposed activities are going to have an impact or are uncertain about the impacts, they should contact SAROntario@ontario.ca to undergo a formal review under the ESA.

Noted; wording included as required

Thank you for circulating this draft Report for the ministry's consideration. Please document the provision of the draft Report to the ministry as well as this Project Review Unit Comments letter in the final report, and please provide an accompanying response letter to support our review of the final report. A copy of the final Notice should be sent to the ministry's West Central Region EA notification email account (eanotification.wcregion@ontario.ca).

Should you or any members of your project team have any questions regarding the material above, please contact me at joan.delvillarcuicas@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

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Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism

From:

Sent: Monday, February 14, 2022 4:14 PM

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Subject:MHSTCI Letter - Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection ImprovementsAttachments:2022-02-14-Dorchester-Oldfield-Intersection-Improvements-MHSTCI-letter.pdf

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Good afternoon,

Please see attached MHSTCI's letter in response to the Notice of Commencement for the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Environmental Assessment.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Best,

Heritage Planner
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Subject : Notice of Commencement

Project : Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements

Location : Niagara Falls, Ontario

Dear Andrea LaPlante:

Thank you for providing the Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries (MHSTCI) with the Notice of Commencement for the above-referenced project. MHSTCI's interest in this Environmental Assessment (EA) project relates to its mandate of conserving Ontario's cultural heritage, which includes:

- archaeological resources, including land and marine;
- built heritage resources, including bridges and monuments; and
- cultural heritage landscapes.

Under the EA process, the proponent is required to determine a project's potential impact on known (previously recognized) and potential cultural heritage resources.

Project Summary

The City of Niagara Falls has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) for the intersection improvements at Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road, in the City of Niagara Falls. The MCEA Study will develop and evaluate a variety of intersection improvement alternatives including: do nothing, convert to a signalized intersection, and implement a roundabout.

Identifying Cultural Heritage Resources

While some cultural heritage resources may have already been formally identified, others may be identified through screening and evaluation.

Archaeological Resources

This EA project may impact archaeological resources and should be screened using the MHSTCI Criteria for Evaluating Archaeological Potential and Criteria for Evaluating Marine Archaeological Potential to determine if an archaeological assessment is needed. MHSTCI archaeological sites data are available at archaeology@ontario.ca.

If the EA project area exhibits archaeological potential, then an archaeological assessment (AA) should be undertaken by an archaeologist licenced under the *Ontario Heritage Act (OHA)*, who is responsible for submitting the report directly to MHSTCI for review.

Built Heritage Resources and Cultural Heritage Landscapes

The MHSTCI <u>Criteria for Evaluating Potential for Built Heritage Resources and Cultural Heritage Landscapes</u> should be completed to help determine whether this EA project may impact built heritage resources and/or cultural heritage landscapes.

If potential or known built heritage resources and/or cultural heritage landscapes exist, MHSTCI recommends that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA), prepared by a qualified consultant, should be completed to assess potential project impacts. Our Ministry's *Info Sheet #5: Heritage Impact Assessments and Conservation Plans* outlines the scope of HIAs. Please send the HIA to MHSTCI (and the local municipality as appropriate) for review, and make it available to local organizations or individuals who have expressed interest in review.

Community input should be sought to identify locally recognized and potential cultural heritage resources. Sources include, but are not limited to, municipal heritage committees, historical societies and other local heritage organizations.

Cultural heritage resources are often of critical importance to Indigenous communities. Indigenous communities may have knowledge that can contribute to the identification of cultural heritage resources, and we suggest that any engagement with Indigenous communities includes a discussion about known or potential cultural heritage resources that are of value to them.

Environmental Assessment Reporting

All technical cultural heritage studies and their recommendations are to be addressed and incorporated into EA projects. Please advise MHSTCI whether any technical cultural heritage studies will be completed for this EA project, and provide them to MHSTCI before issuing a Notice of Completion or commencing any work on the site. If screening has identified no known or potential cultural heritage resources, or no impacts to these resources, please include the completed checklists and supporting documentation in the EA report or file.

Thank you for consulting MHSTCI on this project and please continue to do so throughout the EA process. If you have any questions or require clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

on behalf of
Heritage Planner

Copied to:

Nick Golia - Senior Project Manager, City of Niagara Falls - ngolia@niagarafalls.ca

It is the sole responsibility of proponents to ensure that any information and documentation submitted as part of their EA report or file is accurate. MHSTCI makes no representation or warranty as to the completeness, accuracy or quality of the any checklists, reports or supporting documentation submitted as part of the EA process, and in no way shall MHSTCI be liable for any harm, damages, costs, expenses, losses, claims or actions that may result if any checklists, reports or supporting documents are discovered to be inaccurate, incomplete, misleading or fraudulent.

Please notify MHSTCI (at archaeology@ontario.ca) if archaeological resources are impacted by EA project work. All activities impacting archaeological resources must cease immediately, and a licensed archaeologist is required to carry out an archaeological assessment in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act and the Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists.

If human remains are encountered, all activities must cease immediately, and the local police and coroner must be contacted. In situations where human remains are associated with archaeological resources, MHSTCI should also be notified (at archaeology@ontario.ca) to ensure that the site is not subject to unlicensed alterations which would be a contravention of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry

From:

Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 1:29 PM

To: Andrea LaPlante

Cc:

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA -

Notice of Commencement

Attachments: Dorchester Road, Oldfield Road Intersection InfoReg EA.pdf

Good afternoon, we hope you are doing well.

Please see the attached comments regarding the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for the Intersection Improvements at Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road.

Thank you,

A/District Planner

Land Use Planning and Strategic Issues Section | Southern Region Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry

Preferred pronouns are she/her



As part of providing <u>accessible customer service</u>, please let me know if you have any accommodation needs or require communication supports or alternate formats.

From: Andrea LaPlante laplantea@ae.ca

Sent: January-14-22 2:04 PM

Subject: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Commencement

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Subject: Municipal Class EA for Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection

Improvements, City of Niagara Falls

Dear Andrea,

The Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF) received the Notice of Study Commencement for the Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements on January 14, 2022. Thank for you for circulating this notice to our office, please note that we have not completed a screening of natural heritage or other resource values for the project at this time. This response, however, does provide information to guide you in identifying and assessing natural features and resources as required by applicable policies and legislation and engaging with the Ministry for advice as needed.

Please also note that it is the proponents responsibility to be aware of and comply with all relevant federal or provincial legislation, municipal by-laws or other agency approvals.

Provincial Plans

The subject area is located within the Growth Plan area. We recommend that the local municipality be consulted with regard to potential study requirements for this proposal under the applicable plans.

Natural Heritage

NDMNRF's natural heritage and natural resources GIS data layers can be obtained through the Ministry's <u>Land Information Ontario (LIO) website</u>. You may also view natural heritage information online (e.g., Provincially Significant Wetlands, ANSIs, woodlands, etc.) using the <u>Natural Heritage Make a Map</u> tool.

We recommend that you use the above-noted sources of information during the review of your project proposal.

Petroleum Wells & Oil, Gas and Salt Resource Act

There may be petroleum wells within the proposed project area. Please consult the Ontario Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Library website (www.ogsrlibrary.com) for the best-known data on any wells recorded by NDMNRF. Please reference the 'Definitions and Terminology Guide' listed in the publications on the Library website in order to better understand the well information available. Any oil and gas wells in your project area are regulated by the Oil, Gas and Salt Resource Act, and the supporting regulations and operating standards. If any unanticipated wells are encountered during development of the project, or if the proponent has questions regarding petroleum operations, the

proponent should contact the Petroleum Operations Section at POSRecords@ontario.ca or 519-873-4634.

Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act

Should the works require:

- the relocation of fish outside of the work area will require a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific purposes under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act.
- the relocation of wildlife outside the work area (including amphibians, reptiles, and small mammals), a Wildlife Collector's Authorization under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act will also be required.

Public Lands Act & Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act

Some projects may be subject to the provisions of the *Public Lands Act* or *Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act*. Please review the information on NDMNRF's web pages provided below regarding when an approval is required or not. Please note that many of the authorizations issued under the *Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act* are administered by the local Conservation Authority.

- For more information about the Public Lands Act: https://www.ontario.ca/page/crown-land-work-permits
- For more information about the *Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act*: https://www.ontario.ca/document/lakes-and-rivers-improvement-act-administrative-guide

After reviewing the information provided, if you have not identified any of NDMNRF's interests stated above, there is no need to circulate any subsequent notices to our office.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

District Planner
Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry

REGION OF NIAGARA

From: Andrea LaPlante

Sent: <u>Thursday, January 20, 202</u>2 11:50 AM

To:
Cc: Nick Golia

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA -

Notice of Commencement

Morning ,

Thank you for the information provided regarding the Region's water and wastewater infrastructure and planned works. As we progress through the EA we will consider access to regional chambers during our evaluation of alternatives and preparation of conceptual design. Once we have completed the EA study, the City will then progress to detailed design of the preferred solution, at which time potential coordination of intersection works and chamber works can occur.

I've copied Nick Golia, the City's PM for this project, to ensure he is aware of the Region's planned works in the area and potential coordination during design and construction. We'll ensure that the Region is kept informed as this project progresses and given the opportunity to provide feedback or additional information, as required.

Regards Andrea

From:

Sent: Wednesday, January 19, 2022 2:23 PM To: Andrea LaPlante Laplantea@ae.ca

Cc:

Subject: FW: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of

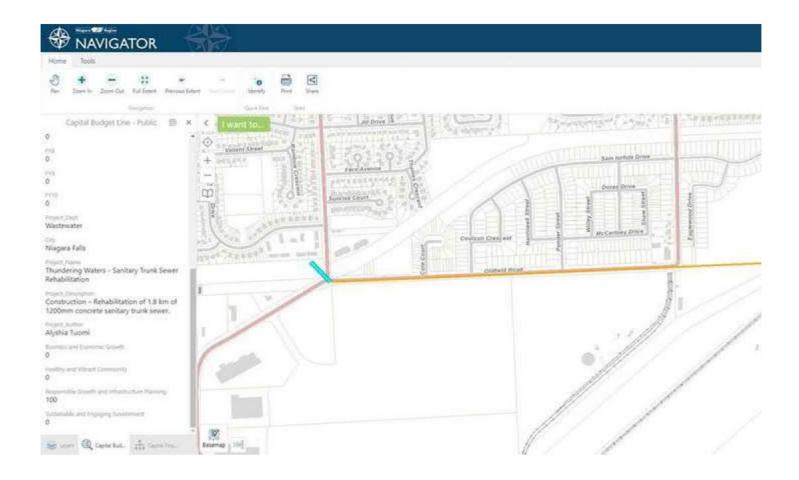
Commencement

Hi Andrea,

The Region's WWW Engineering group have received the Notice of Commencement for the Oldfield Road / Dorchester Road Intersection Improvements Study. Please note that the Region has a 1050mm concrete trunk sanitary sewer and a 1050mm CPP trunk watermain running through this intersection per the image below.



This trunk sewer is currently scheduled to be rehabilitated in 2022 using a Cured-in-Place Pipe method through the Thundering Waters Rehabilitation project. The limits of this project are as follows.



With respect to the trunk watermain, there is an isolation valve chamber at the intersection and it has recently come to our attention that some of the isolation valves inside this chamber may need replacement. Region Maintenance is currently reviewing the scope of work and will report back once the investigation is complete. It might be possible that the Region request inclusion with the City's intersection improvement project to replace these valves. Results of our internal review will be shared with you as soon as possible.

During the design of the intersection improvements, safe access to the sanitary MH and particularly the water valve chamber should be considered. The request is that the intersection design/layout will ensure accessing these water valve actuator stems by our maintenance staff will be such to minimize encroachment into the traffic lane or require lane closures. The Region WWW Engineering group would request to be kept involved during the design process for any impacts to either of these water and wastewater infrastructure systems.

Should you have any questions, please advise.

Regards,

Niagara Region

Senior Technical Project Manager, Water and Wastewater Engineering

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From: Andrea LaPlante

Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 2:03 PM

To:

Cc: Nick Golia

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA -

Notice of Public Information Centre

Attachments: Dorchester PIC Material final AODA.PDF

Good afternoon

Please find attached study material that will be available at tonight's PIC for the above noted project.

Once you've reviewed, if you have any questions or comments feel free to reach out.

Regards

Andrea

From: Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2

Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 9:21 AM To: Andrea LaPlante laplantea@ae.ca

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public

Information Centre

Good morning Andrea,

Can you please forward me the slides for the PIC presentation.

Regards,

Niagara Region

Senior Technical Project Manager, Water and Wastewater Engineering

From: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 9:15 AM

Subject: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public Information

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Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 1:35 PM

To:

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA -

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Good afternoon

I thought I would follow up with you regarding the PIC scheduled this evening for the Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MCEA. In case you are not able to attend, further information regarding the study, including material that will be available at tonight's Public Information Centre, is provided at the City's Let's Talk platform (https://letstalk.niagarafalls.ca/dorchester-and-oldfield-road-intersection-improvements) I've also attached the material to this email for easy reference.

Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or comments regarding the study.

Regards Andrea

From:

Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 2:18 PM **To:** Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public

Information Centre

Thanks for your response.

Would you please register me for in-person attendance at this PIC?

Thank you!

PM, Transportation Planning

Transportation Systems & Planning, Public Works, Niagara Region

From: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 1:57 PM

To:

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public

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Good afternoon

The PIC will be in-person at the McBain Centre in Niagara Falls. If you are not able to or do not wish to attend in person I'm happy to share the PIC material once finalized for your information.

Regards Andrea

From:

Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 12:05 PM **To:** Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public

Information Centre

Hi Andrea,

Congratulation on having the new EA!

Would it be possible to attend virtually to the PIC? Please let me know if you have any material or information to share.

Best regards,

Project Manager, Transportation Planning

Transportation Systems & Planning, Public Works, Niagara Region, 1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON



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From:

Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 9:55 AM

To:

Cc:

Subject: FW: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public Information Centre

Good morning Hamed

As discussed, please represent the Region in this EA with NF. I have copied all in case they didn't receive the invite

Regards



From: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 9:15 AM

Subject: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public Information Centre

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 Friday, January 21, 2022 12:09 PM

 To:
 Cc:

 Subject:
 RE: J39447-Roll Plot Bell-MARKUP-JAN-21-2022

Hi Frank,

All the cables and conduits/ducts are underground. GLBs at ground and Pedestals above ground.



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Sent: Friday, January 21, 2022 11:59 AM	
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Cc:	
Subject: RE: J39447-Roll Plot Bell-MARKUP-JAN-21-2022	
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Can you confirm if structure is underground and cable is above ground?	
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rom:	
Sent: Friday, January 21, 2022 11:50 AM	
To:	
Cc:	
Subject: J39447-Roll Plot Bell-MARKUP-JAN-21-2022	
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Good Morning ,	

Please see attached Bell markups and advise if you have any comments.



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From: Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 9:27 AM
To: Cc:
Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements-J39447
Good morning. Please see attached. Let me know if this works for you.
From: Andrea LaPlante Sent: Monday, January 17, 2022 4:55 PM
To: Cc:
Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements-J39447
Thanks for reaching out.
Our Project CAD coordinator will follow up with the CAD file for your use in providing markups.
Regards Andrea
From: Sent: Monday, January 17, 2022 12:35 PM

To: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>

Cc:

Good afternoon Andrea,



My name is from Telecon Design behalf of Bell Canada to provide you the Markups at intersection of Dorchester Rd and Oldfield Rd in Niagara Fall. In order to do so we need CAD file for the location. Please kindly forward us the CAD file at your convenience time.

Thank you

Regards

Chef de projet, Ingénierie Centre du Canada Project Manager, Engineering Central Canada

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From: Andrea LaPlante < <u>laplantea@ae.ca</u>> Date: 2022-01-14 2:35 p.m. (GMT-05:00)

To:

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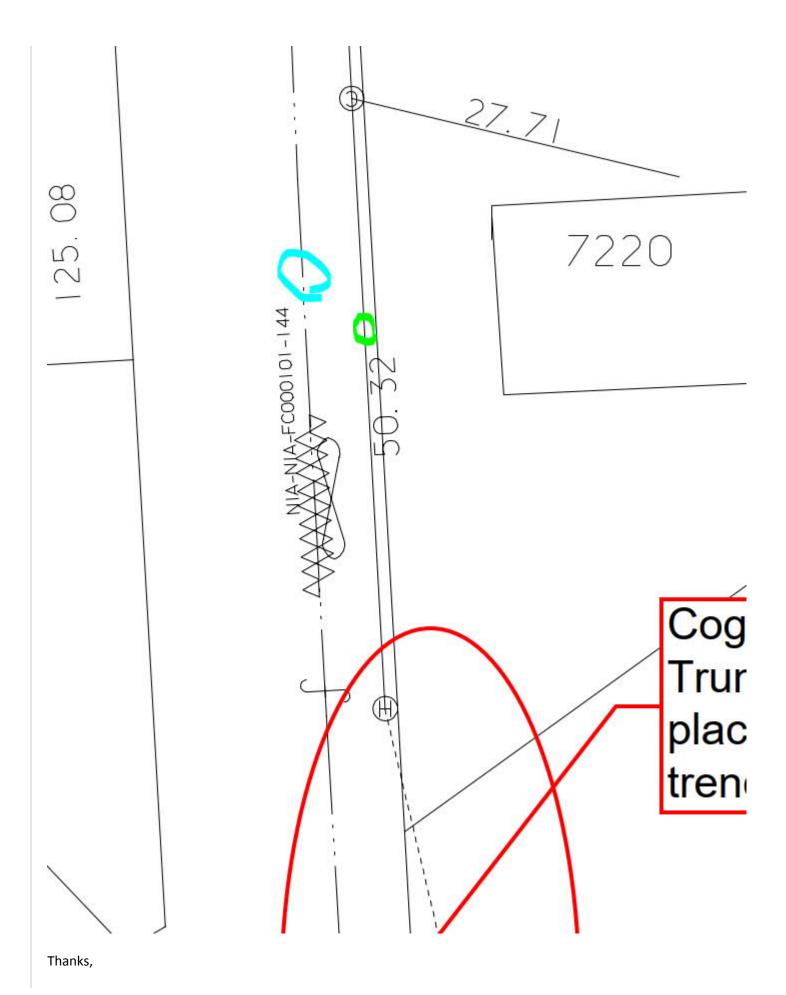
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From: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 10:16 AM Sent: To: Cc: Andrea LaPlante Subject: Re: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA -Notice of Commencement **Attachments:** Oldfield-Dorchester- Cogeco.pdf Hi hope this helps- yes agua represents our fiber cable lashed to the overhead strand. Sorry for how "antiquated" our landbase is. ck On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 10:01 AM wrote: In the screen cap below. Are you able to confirm what the aqua circled line is? I assume that the green is the OH line.



From: Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 9:48 AM To: Cc: Andrea LaPlante < aplantea@ae.ca > Subject: Re: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Commencement
Hi yes- our main fiber is aerial attached to the hydro poles heading north to Mcleod rd.
ck
On Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 9:37 AM wrote:
Good morning
Is there anything north of the underground section noted on the plan you sent? Underground or in the air?
From: Andrea LaPlante Sent: Monday, January 17, 2022 8:39 AM To: Subject: FW: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Commencement
Received attached regarding Cogeco in the area for Dorchester.
Andrea
From: Sent: Saturday, January 15, 2022 11:10 AM 3

To: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>

Subject: Re: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of

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Hello, Cogeco has a main trunk fiber in the hydro duct bank from Dorchester to Oldfield, as well as underground coaxial plant along the south side of Dorchester rd- from pole to pole.

I've attached a rough markup for your reference.

Thanks



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From: Andrea LaPlante

Sent: Thursday, January 20, 2022 1:09 PM

To:

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA -

Notice of Commencement

Confirming receipt of the information - thanks for providing the information, I've provided it to our technical team.

Regards

Andrea

From:

Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 2:05 PM To: Andrea LaPlante <|ap|lantea@ae.ca>

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Commencement

Hi Andrea,

See attached Gas Plate showing Gas in the area requested.

Best Regards,

Advisor Construction Project Management Southeast Region/Niagara Operations

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From: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca > Sent: Friday, January 14, 2022 2:35 PM

Subject: [External] Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 12:23 PM

To: Andrea LaPlante

Subject: G220507_Dorchester Rd & Oldfield Rd

Attachments: G220507_Dorchester Rd & Oldfield Rd_Rogers Markup Response Letter.pdf

Hi,

Please find attached completed markup request.

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RECORD OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

Date: 1	/22/2022	Time:	5:50pm a.m	./p.m.	Project No.: 2021-5608
Call to OR (Call from (circle one) Call fror	n Nam	e:		
Company:	Local Resident			Ph	one No.:
Associated	Engineering Representative	e Making or R	eceiving Call:	Andre	a LaPlante
Project:	Dorchester Road/Oldfie	ld Road Inters	section Improve	ements	MCEA
Contract:	City of Niagara Falls				
Subject:	Feedback for MCEA Stu	dy			
Summary of	Discussions:				
Left a voice mail: - Live on corner of - Lived there for over 48 years - Would like to see a roundabout at the intersection of Dorchester/Oldfield - Would facilitate a much smoother movement of traffic - Noticed considerable traffic volumes - Travel in the area frequently					
Conclusions	/Decisions/Actions to be	Гaken:			
<u>.</u> _					
Contr					
Project	t Manager:				

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 9:17 AM

To: Nick Golia
Cc: Andrea LaPlante

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]-Dorchester & Oldfield Roads Intersection Improvements

Wonderful. That's a relief. Thanks so

Much for your time and patience. Have a great and safe day Nick.



Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2022, at 9:00 AM, Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalls.ca> wrote:



As mentioned you are only circulated more for your use of the intersection. The proposed improvements will not be nowhere near your property. The proposed improvements are not a factor of any hypothetical future development of the Hydro Land behind your home. In addition to a Capital Project I am also in charge of Development in NF and I assure you I have not heard of any Development plans on the Hydro lands.

That being said, there may be future plans for a pedestrian walkway and/or Parkette along that corridor that will have pedestrian access and add to the growing City Public Space. The study will take into consideration of any Master Park/Trail Plan and how pedestrian traffic will travel through the intersection.

Again I hope this alleviates any of your concerns.

Thanks again,

Nick Golia. C.Tech. | Senior Project Manager - Development | Municipal Works | City of Niagara Falls 4310 Queen Street | Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6X5 | (905) 356-7521 ext 4290 | Fax 289-296-0048 | ngolia@niagarafalls.ca

From:

Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 8:46 AM

To: Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalls.ca>

Cc: laplantea@ae.ca

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]-Dorchester & Oldfield Roads Intersection Improvements

I just need to know about that land or the extent of the intersection improvement (and why it's being proposed) so I can prepare and sell our house accordingly. :(

Sorry really.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2022, at 8:41 AM,

This is the view from

Our house. And all

Houses in our row paid for this premium. If houses or apartments and road will Be built here, I might as well sell it now before it happens. :(

<image0.jpeg>

<image1.jpeg>

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2022, at 8:36 AM, wrote:

Thank you very much for the clarification Nick.

But when u said very very close to the intersection, our house is in the middle between Drummond and Dorchester (intersection) being studied.

Or when the website says "property acquisition, does it mean that in order to do the interesection improvement, there is a likelihood u need to acquire certain portion of adjacent private land and not necessarily that you are doing the intersection so u can buy land for housing which is a great issue to many people now?

Pls relieve me with your final information.

Thank you so

Much. Sorry for being a bothersome if ever.



On Wed, Jan 26, 2022 at 8:24 AM Nick Golia < ngolia@niagarafalls.ca> wrote:

Hi

The open property in question extends from Drummond all the way to Dorchester right into the intersection. Intersection improvements could mean the acquisition of property in very very close proximity to the intersection and nowhere near the back of your home. Please keep posted to the City website for updates as the project develops but I assure you there is nothing worth getting anxious about.

I hope this helps calm your nerves as it relates to this Project.

Thanks again,

Nick Golia. C.Tech. | Senior Project Manager - Development | Municipal Works | <u>City of Niagara Falls</u>

<u>4310 Queen Street</u> <u>J Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6X5</u> | (905) 356-7521 ext 4290 | Fax 289-296-0048 | ngolia@niagarafalls.ca

From:

Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 8:17 AM

To: Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalls.ca>; laplantea@ae.ca

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]-Dorchester & Oldfield Roads Intersection

Improvements

Good morning Nick.

Oh. Does it mean that acquiring the land behind ours is being considered? Because If that will be a consideration, I will be intending to sell our house before it happens. Is housing feasible

To squeeze in that land per attached? And the timeline?

My apologies but when can I get some initial somehow pertinent responses to each of my questions? It's getting me ancxious admittedly.

Thank you very much for your understanding

<image001.jpg>

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From: Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalls.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 8:03:36 AM

To: laplantea@ae.ca

laplantea@ae.ca

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]-Dorchester & Oldfield Roads Intersection

Improvements

Hi

I wish to provide a quick response to your questions below. As the EA advances further alternatives and public input will be coming.

Thanks again,

Nick Golia. C.Tech. | Senior Project Manager Development | Municipal Works | City of Niagara Falls

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----Original Message-----

From:

Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 8:13 PM

To: Nick Golia <<u>ngolia@niagarafalls.ca</u>>; <u>laplantea@ae.ca</u> Subject: [EXTERNAL]-Dorchester & Oldfield Roads Intersection

Improvements

Greetings!

I've received the Notice of Study Commencement for the above subject. Just some clarifications:

1. Is this just for that intersection?

Nick Golia Answer: The notification you received is just for the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment which is only taking into consideration improvements to the intersection of Dorchester/Oldfield.

That being said, this year the City will be undertaking the reconstruction of Dorchester Road between Jubillee Drive and Cooper Drive. Due to the scale of that project notification will be limited to local area postings and the City's website and media postings. The anticipated construction for that project is schedule between May - August 2022.

2. I also read in the city website about this project that also mentions "identify property acquisition in the area". Which land are you planning to acquire? My house is along Sam Iorfida Drive. Are you planning to acquire the vacant land behind our backyard, which currently has some hydro posts and eventually build houses — which will block our view? Though for me the land looks narrow and could be not enough to build rows of houses. I thought that this piece of land is owned by Hydro One.

Nick Golia Answer: If your house is on Sam Iorfida Drive, I do not foresee this Project effecting the Hydro Corridor in the vicinity of your area. Your notification is more for your proximity to the identified project and your possible direct use of the intersection.

3. Why are you making those improvements in the intersection?

Nick Golia Answer: The intersection is deficient in many aspects and as such the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment will allow the Municipality to identify the problem and identify the ideal alternative through a public process.

I appreciate you providing us more details please.

Thank you.



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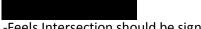
From: Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalls.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 1, 2022 2:15 PM

To: Andrea LaPlante

Subject: Dorchester Road/Oldfield Road EA Resident comment

Hi Andrea,

I received a call from the below resident who wished to provide the following comment.



-Feels Intersection should be signalized.

Thanks again,

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From: Sent: To: Subject:	Friday, February 11, 2022 3:50 PM Andrea LaPlante; ngolia@niagarafalls.ca Re: Suggestions for the Project - Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements - City of Niagara Falls.	า
Hi Andrea,		
Good afternoon.		
I thank you for your em	ail. We hope that the project will start soon.	
Please also include "zeb	a crossing lines" on the road at the intersection for the safer pedestrian crossing.	
With Thanks & Regards,		
Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada,		
On Fri, Feb 11, 2022 at 9	:18 AM Andrea LaPlante < <u>laplantea@ae.ca</u> > wrote:	
Good morning,		
study. As part of the st	ng your feedback regarding the Dorchester Road/Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements dy, we will be considering active transportation elements and connectivity (sidewalks, trai evelop and evaluate various intersection improvement alternatives.	
	the study, there will be opportunity for the public to review the alternatives and provide mended intersection improvements. Notification of that engagement event will be the coming months.	
Thank you again for yo	r valued input. As the study continues, if you have any additional feedback or questions fe	el

Regards

Andrea LaPlante, P.Eng. Environmental Assessment Coordinator

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 3:39 PM

To: ngolia@niagarafalls.ca

Cc: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>

Subject: Suggestions for the Project - Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements - City of Niagara

Falls.

Hi,

Sub: Suggestions for the Project - Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements - City of Niagara Falls.

Based on the letter received from the City of Niagara Falls, we would like to give the following suggestions for the Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Project.

1) At present, there is no Sidewalk for pedestrians at this intersection connecting Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road. Now, people are walking through the road risking their life. It is very risky for motorists too. So please construct a sidewalk for pedestrians connecting Dorchester Rd and Oldfield Road at this intersection.

2) The Millennium Recreational Section 02 Project is going on now. In this project, the Millennium Recreation Trail is extended to Dorchester Road very close to this intersection. Please construct a connecting sidewalk/ trail through Dorchester road to this Millennium Trail from this intersection so that people can get a comfortable access to the Millennium trail from this intersection. Since there is no sidewalk, now people need to walk through the Dorchester road risking their life to reach this new trail. It is very risky for motorists too. It will be very helpful for the residents, if you can construct a connecting sidewalk/ trail here.
We kindly request you to consider the above suggestions also during your project study/ planning process.

With Thanks & Regards,



Ontario, Canada,



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From: Andrea LaPlante

Sent: <u>Wednesday,</u> July 6, 2022 12:45 PM

To:

Cc: Nick Golia

Subject: RE: Dorchester Rd & Oldfield Rd

Good afternoon



Thank you for reaching out to the study team with your inquiry regarding the Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MCEA. Further information regarding the study, including material that will be available at tonight's Public Information Centre, is provided at the City's Let's Talk platform (https://letstalk.niagarafalls.ca/dorchester-and-oldfield-road-intersection-improvements).

Our preliminary recommended solution for the intersection is to maintain the all-way stop control with geometric improvements to the intersection and inclusion of active transportation facilities. The preferred solution, however, will be confirmed following the public review and comment period (ending July 20, 2022). All study alternatives have included active transportation facilities including sidewalks and bike lanes to ensure safe travel for all road users. Sidewalks will be provided on both sides of Dorchester Road (north leg of intersection), the north side of Oldfield Road (to connect to existing) and on the south side of Dorchester Road (southwest leg of intersection) in the future when this portion of the roadway is improved. Designated bike lanes will also be provided on all legs of the intersection. Conceptual plans of each alternative are provided at the link above.

Feel free to reach out if you have additional questions or comments regarding the study.

Regards

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From:

Sent: Thursday, June 30, 2022 5:04 PM
To: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>
Subject: Dorchester Rd & Oldfield Rd

Hi Andrea.

We were provided the information regarding the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for the Intersection Improvements at Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road and will be unable to attend.

As administrators of student transportation for both DSBN and NCDSB and with a mandate that includes safe and active travel to and from school for students, we are interested to know about the location of sidewalks that will connect Oldfield Rd with the East side of Dorchester Rd.

If you have any questions or require any further information please feel free to reach out anytime.



Regards,

Niagara Student Transportation Services – NSTS

From: Sent:	Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalls.ca> Friday, July 8, 2022 3:48 PM</ngolia@niagarafalls.ca>				
To:	Andrea LaPlante				
Subject:	FW: [EXTERNAL]-Anonymous User completed Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements				
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Yes, I provide consent to I	be contacted for the purposes of this project.				
Do you have any concern Improvements?	s about the potential impacts of the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection				
That intersection is ripe for	or a large roundabout.				
Do you have any other qu	uestions or comments regarding this project?				

Whatever decision you make there ought to be clear signage and perhaps arrows or chevrons taking the trucks and
transports down Oldfield to Drummond. It is brutal when the large trucks travel on Dorchester especially when cars are
parked.

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From: Andrea LaPlante

Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 1:59 PM

To:

Cc: Nick Golia

Subject: RE: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA -

Notice of Public Information Centre

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Feel free to reach out if you have additional questions or comments regarding the study.

Regards,

Andrea LaPlante, P.Eng. Environmental Assessment Coordinator

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2022 10:06 AM **To:** Andrea LaPlante Laplantea@ae.ca

Subject: Re: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements Municipal Class EA - Notice of Public

Information Centre

Hi Andrea:

What is the plan in that intersection pls?

Thanks



Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 28, 2022, at 9:15 AM, Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca wrote:

Good morning,

On behalf of the City of Niagara Falls, Associated Engineering Ltd. is undertaking the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for the Intersection Improvements at Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road. Please find attached both cover letter and Notice of Public Information Centre planned for the Study.

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Please provide your email a	address.					
Do you provide the City of	Niagara Falls with permission to contact you at the provided email address?					
Yes, I provide consent to be	contacted for the purposes of this project.					
Do you have any concerns a Improvements?	about the potential impacts of the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection					
I think with the current conf	figuration of how these streets line up, that best, and safest solution would be a traffic circle.					
Do you have any other que	estions or comments regarding this project?					

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From:	Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalls.ca></ngolia@niagarafalls.ca>				
Sent:	Monday, July 18, 2022 9:11 AM				
To:	Andrea LaPlante				
Subject:	FW: [EXTERNAL]-Anonymous User completed Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road				
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For what reason are they looking to put a circle in? The money could be used to fix more of the roads and sidewalks in Niagara Falls before anything else. Potholes on Dunn Street between Stanley and Drummond Rd. A cyclist did a header off his bike after hitting one. Maybe get will Sue the city for not fixing the road. Portage Rd coming to the five corners is atrocious. You need a front end alignment after driving there, there are so many other roads and sidewalks to be fix first. Check out Facebook with this proposal someone posted and see all the comments, mine included. I decided to follow up and give my opinion on this needless circle at this time.

Environment issues and land usage. That needs to be looked at before anything else and decided on based on wh	าat is
good for the environment and not the Builders!!!	

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From:	Nick Golia <ngolia@niagarafalis.ca></ngolia@niagarafalis.ca>
Sent:	Sunday, July 10, 2022 2:11 PM
То:	Andrea LaPlante
Subject:	FW: [EXTERNAL]-Anonymous User completed Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements
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From:

Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 2:30 PM

To: ngolia@niagarafalls.ca; Andrea LaPlante

Subject: Re: Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road

Intersection Improvements - City of Niagara Falls

Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged

Hello Nick and Andrea,

I am following up to a letter I sent last month (copied below), and hoping for the information requested. Unfortunately, I have received no reply to date.

From the associated notice:

For further information, or to provide input into the MCEA process, please contact one of the project team members identified below:

Nick Golia, C.Tech., Senior Project Manager City of Niagara Falls, ngolia@niagarafalls.ca
Andrea LaPlante, P.Eng., Project Manager Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd., laplantea@ae.ca

Here's the original request for information. Thanks,



On 7/31/2022 5:45 PM, wrote:

Hello Nick and Andrea,

I recently learned about a project you are currently working on, through the following document on the City of Niagara Falls website:

"Notice of Public Information Centre - **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements** - City of Niagara Falls".

I am hoping to learn more about this project, and believe I can contribute toward a positive outcome.

Apparently there was a Public Information Centre meeting earlier this month that I was not aware of until after the meeting date (July 6, 2022). Since the notice appears to have been published only 2 weeks prior, I seem to have missed it. Upon learning of the project, my interest in the project was sparked because I am long-time resident close to this intersection, so am keen to learn all I can about the project. I wish I could have known in advance and participated in the PIC meeting, as I have lived near the intersection for 15 years, have many years of knowledge and details of the Environmental aspects of the area, and believe I can contribute in a positive way to help mitigate any Environmental impacts and see the best outcome. I had previously consulted with other staff for another project close by, and subsequently consulted with City-hired biologists, where I helped to provide keen insight due to my

long-time experience with Environmental aspects unique to the area.

That said, I would like to get some more detail about this proposed project that I may have missed at the PIC meeting, including:

- What was discussed at the meeting? Are there any handouts, presentation, and details from the meeting you can share?
- Since it was a public consultation, what was the level of public participation, and are there any public comments a feedback you can share?
- Where are we in the process now? What is the plan/roadmap? Schedule or dates?
- Has there been an on-site Environmental study of the area recently? Is that available, or will it be available once completed?
- A Project File Report was mentioned. Has the been completed? If so, can you please share when available?
- Will the project be going to Council for consideration? Dates?

Beyond these questions, is there any other information related to the project I haven't mentioned that you can share?

Ideally, in lieu of missing the PIC earlier this month, it would be great to meet in person to discuss if that's possible (on-site, if doable for you). I believe I may be able to help. As mentioned, I am intimately familiar with the area due to long time residency, and have garnered a sound knowledge of Environmental aspects of the subject area, that I hope to ensure are taken into consideration, to help mitigate and potential negative Environmental impacts.

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spending money on roundabouts.

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Use that intersection r	egularly and see nothing wrong with the three way stop currently in place.
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Location seems ideal for a roundabout.

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From: Andrea LaPlante

Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 12:32 PM

To:

Cc: Nick Golia

Subject: RE: Oldfield Road

Good afternoon



Thank you for reaching out to the study team with your inquiry regarding the Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements MCEA. Further information regarding the study, including material that will be available at tonight's Public Information Centre, is provided at the City's Let's Talk platform

(https://letstalk.niagarafalls.ca/dorchester-and-oldfield-road-intersection-improvements).

Our preliminary recommended solution for the intersection is to maintain the all-way stop control with geometric improvements to the intersection and inclusion of active transportation facilities. The preferred solution, however, will be confirmed following the public review and comment period (ending July 20, 2022). Conceptual plans of the alternatives are provided at the link above. It is not anticipated that the intersection improvements will negatively impact the Townhouse Condominium at

Feel free to reach out if you have additional questions or comments regarding the study.

Regards

Andrea LaPlante, P.Eng. Environmental Assessment Coordinator Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd.

Suite 300 - 101 Lampman Court, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON LOS 1J0

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2022 11:17 AM To: Andrea LaPlante < laplantea@ae.ca>

Subject: Oldfield Road

Can you please send me a copy of the plans for the road improvements? We want to see if it impacts the Townhouse Condominium at

If not we have no concerns.





3350 Merrittville Hwy, Unit 9 Thorold, Ontario, L2V 4Y6

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It would be nice if there were	e a bicycle lane to compliment the new bike/walking trail nearby.				
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	anopy and displacement of wildlife/must include walkable paths and bike lanes for access to and parks in the area and connectivity to other green spaces. Long term planing not short sighted		

Do you have any other questions or comments regarding this project?

Best environmental and climate change planning practices (most current available not our cities out of date environmental policies) must be used to protect our environment as a 'priority' in this project and all projects. Respect

our Natural environment and water resource systems ...wetlands, species at risk. Use Independent 3rd party environmental impact studies not influenced by developers self interests only.

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Here's an option. How about inst housing? You know, the thing yo	tead of spending millions in needless traffic circles, you spend some of that money on ou say you have no money for!!		
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Do you have any concern Improvements?	s about the potential impacts of the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection
Yes, please make it bike f	riendly. I ride through this intersection regularly on way to Chippawa Parkway.
Do you have any other qu	uestions or comments regarding this project?

Marineland Parkway from Stanley to Chippawa is a nightmare for cyclists, please make it a priority.

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Improvements?	
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Do you have any other qu	estions or comments regarding this project?
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devastation for the ben	this way but the city has already agreed to tear up natural land and now you are expanding the efit of the Chinese development. That is one impact. The other is the continued erosion of citizen f planning. If this specific project is canceled you may get back some respect.

Do you have any other questions or comments regarding this project?

This project is totally unnecessary. I am sure you would understand that from the comments on the Facebook post.

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and lights in this city which	oughts are, but I think the best solution is a round-a-bout. There are far too many stop signs a don't keep traffic moving. After the intersection improvements are done, Dorchester Road, to be re-paved. Between buses and trucks, it is a mess!		

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I don't have any conce	erns, other than the condition and unevenness of the intersection itself.
Do you have any other	er questions or comments regarding this project?
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From:

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Subject: Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection Improvements City of Niagara Falls

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Hello Nick and Andrea,

It was good to talk with both of you during the Public Information Centre held on July 6th, 2022 at the McBain Community Centre. My wife () and I appreciated the opportunity to review the improvement alternatives and to discuss the options and alternatives with yourselves and other representatives.

As long time residents of Dorchester Road we have significant life experience regarding this roadway, the lack of effective traffic calming measures and the careless/reckless behaviour of drivers that utilize this road way, and particularly those that are travelling to and from the Oldfield Road development. Since intersection improvements at Dorchester Road and Oldfield Road has the potential to be the first meaningful step taken to help address roadway safety we are clear in our preferred solution which is the installation of a <u>Roundabout</u>. We consider the Roundabout to be the most effective option to permit the continuous flow of vehicular traffic while creating a measure of traffic calming with minimal maintenance requirements, negligible operating costs and a long lifecycle. We view the Roundabout as the only responsible solution if the primary objective is to improve the safe flow of traffic.

Further to this, I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to reiterate our ongoing requests for further traffic calming measures such as a reduced speed limit to 40 km/h and the installation of an All-Way-Stop at the intersection of Dorchester Road and Jubilee Drive. The section of Dorchester Road that runs between McLeod Road and Oldfield Road has five (5) Municipal Bus Stops and three (3) School Bus Loading Zones consequently there is a requirement to control vehicular speed.

On a final point, it needs to be understood and fully appreciated that any success that may be realized through the installation of active transportation measures (i.e. bicycle lanes) will be severely compromised if large, heavy commercial vehicles are not re-routed because cyclists fear for their safety when they are placed in such close proximity to these types of vehicles. For the safety and well being of the entire neighbourhood these types of vehicles simply must be removed from Dorchester Road. There are readily available alternative routes that can be established with minimal impact on the businesses and operators of these vehicles.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. We are hopeful that our presence, our participation and our words will lead to the implementation of our preferred solution. Best regards,

Niagara Falls, Ontario.

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Have a straight away extension that would connect Dorchester Road to Rexinger Road and Willodell Road and Lyon's Creek Rd (Regional Road 47) heading towards Chippawa to the south and build a bridge overpass that would connect to the Welland River at Chippawa Parkway to have it connect with Rexinger Road and Willodell Road in Chippawa and have a railway bridge overpass and then try to extend Ramsey Road, Progress Street and Don Murie Street with the new extension of Dorchester Road so a future Niagara Falls Transit bus route would follow to Lyon's Creek Road and the future Niagara South Hospital Hub at Montrose Road and Biggar Road in Chippawa. Then rename the Y right hand turn of Dorchester Road to Old Dorchester Road

Do you have any other questions or comments regarding this project?

Yes they should try to extend the other side of Dorchester Road from Oldfield Road to Rexinger Road to connect with the 4 lane Lyon's Creek Road in Chippawa.

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Please provide your	name and affiliation (if any).				
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Do you provide the C	City of Niagara Falls with permission to contact you at the provided email address?				
No, I do not wish to b	pe contacted for the purposes of this project.				
Do you have any con Improvements?	ncerns about the potential impacts of the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection				
Just fix the pot holes	and then leave it alone!				
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Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2022 11:06 AM				
To:	Andrea LaPlante			
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Yes, I provide consent	to be contacted for the purposes of this project.			
Do you have any cond Improvements?	cerns about the potential impacts of the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection			
No				
Do you have any other	er questions or comments regarding this project?			
It's a waste of my tax	dollars. Are there not more important issues to deal with than building a multi million dollar traffic			

circle at a location that surely can't be getting enough traffic to warrant it.

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	rea but there looks to be enough space for a roundabout and appropriate pedestrian facilities - counterproductive here.				
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To:	Andrea LaPlante					
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Do you have any conc Improvements?	erns about the potential impacts of the Dorchester Road & Oldfield Road Intersection					
Don't want my tax dol	lars used to improve roads for illegal foreign development					
Do you have any othe	er questions or comments regarding this project?					
Save our wetlands						

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