

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

Improvements of Sandalwood Parkway From McLaughlin Road to Heart Lake Road Class Environmental Assessment Study

The Study

The City of Brampton has initiated a Class Environmental Assessment for improvements to Sandalwood Parkway from McLaughlin Road to Heart Lake Road (see map). In order to best address operational deficiencies and the need for additional east-west capacity in the area, a number of alternatives will be examined as part of the study including the potential widening of Sandalwood Parkway to six lanes, cross sectional elements, intersection improvements, traffic operations, and the overall impact of such improvements on the social, cultural and natural environments.

The Process

The study is being undertaken in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule "C" projects as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000, as amended in 2007 and 2011), which is approved under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. This study will define the problem, identify and evaluate alternative solutions to the problem, evaluate alternative design concepts for the solution, recommend a preferred design concept and assess potential impacts and identify mitigation measures associated with the preferred design.

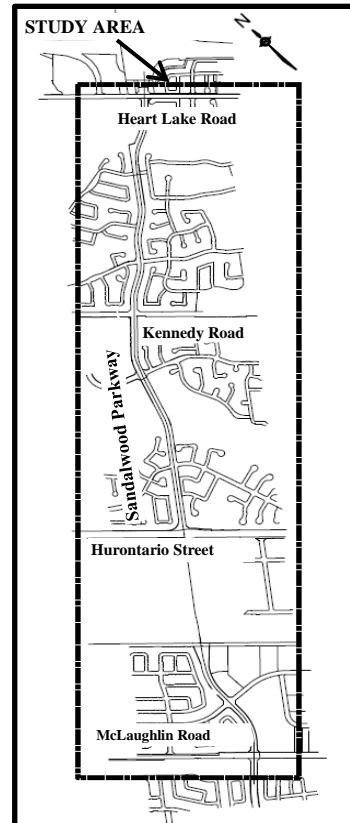
A key component of the study will be consultation with interested stakeholders, including the public agencies and Aboriginal Communities. Two Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held to present the project, review the study findings and discuss issues related to the project including alternative solutions, evaluation criteria, alternative design concepts, and environmental impacts and mitigation measures. Details regarding the forthcoming PICs will be advertised as the study progresses. At the conclusion of the study, the EA process will be documented in an Environmental Study Report (ESR). The report will be made available for 30 calendar days for public review and comment.

Comments Invited

If you have any questions or comments regarding the Study or wish to be added to the Study mailing list, please contact either of the project team members:

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