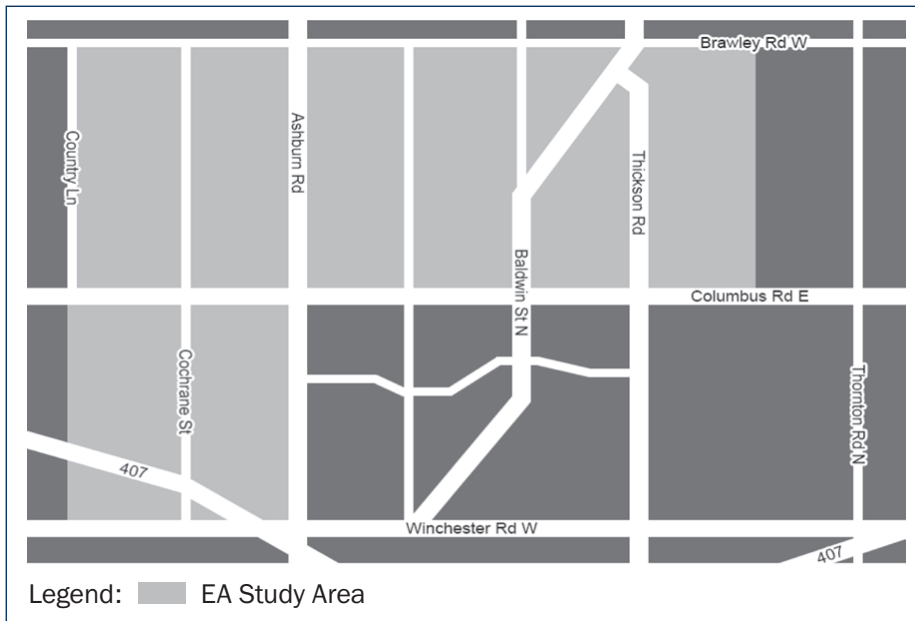


NOTICE OF COMPLETION

Filing of the Brooklin North Major Roads Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

Background

In 2017, the Brooklin Secondary Plan and Transportation Master Plan (TMP) established a cohesive land-use and transportation strategy to guide the expected growth in the Brooklin area. These studies recommended the establishment of a major road network to support the long-term development of the community. The recommendations identified improvements to three (3) existing roads and six (6) new roads that would be subject to the Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process.



Overview

The Brooklin North Landowners Group, in partnership with the Town of Whitby, conducted a Schedule 'C' MCEA to evaluate design options for the improvements to Columbus Road West, Cochrane Street (south of Columbus Road West), and Ashburn Road, as well as six other new roads in the Brooklin North area. Following consultation with the public, major stakeholders, property owners, Indigenous Communities, and other agencies, the proponent has recommended designs for these roads that balance the impacts on the

natural, cultural, and socio-economic environments, while providing efficient connections to future development. The designs considered a variety of options with respect to road alignments (road curvature) and profiles (vertical alignment). Cross-sections were also developed for the roads based on the proposed role and function of the roads and further refined through the application of Town and Regional guidelines, and consultation with Town staff and major stakeholders. Finally, the study recommended locations for traffic signals and roundabouts within the Brooklin North area in accordance with Town guidelines. Following the Schedule 'C' MCEA process, an Environmental Study Report (ESR) was prepared to document the entire study process, including the development of the alternative design concepts, evaluation of the alternatives, selection of a preferred alternative design concept, public and stakeholder engagement, and all technical reports completed for this study. The ESR will be made available for public review for an extended period of 60 days beginning on March 11, 2021 and will end on May 9, 2021. The link to the ESR is available for review on the project website at whitby.ca/en/town-hall/brooklin-north-major-roads-environmental-assessment.aspx

Process

During the review period, if there are outstanding concerns that the project may adversely impact constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, which cannot be resolved in discussion with the Town then a person or party may request that the Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks make an order for the Project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act. Requests on other grounds will not be considered. This is referred to as a Part II Order, which addresses Individual Environmental Assessments. Please address any Part II Order request in writing to each of the following three individuals:

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