

ONTARIO MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION (MTO) AND THE COUNTY OF ESSEX
CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN
Let's Get Windsor-Essex Moving Strategy

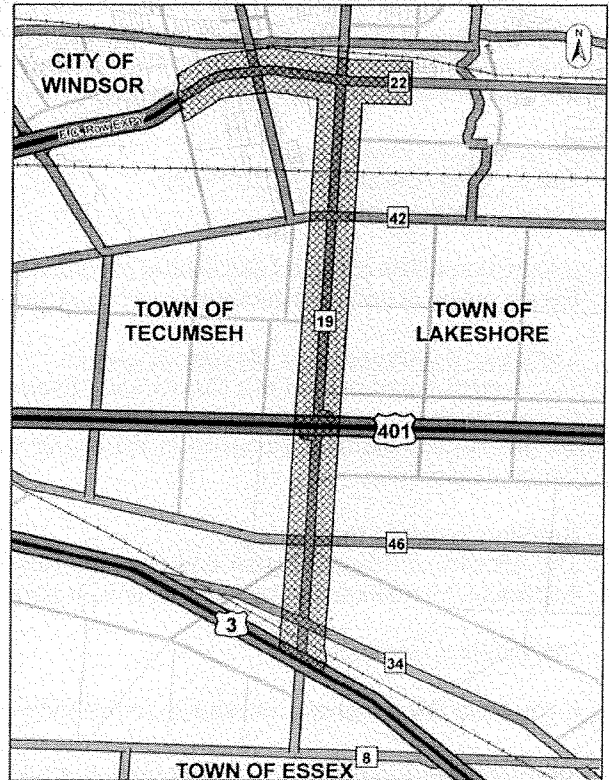
ESSEX COUNTY ROAD 19 (MANNING ROAD) AND ESSEX COUNTY ROAD 22 IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION

The Study

Dillon Consulting Limited was retained by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) and the County of Essex) to complete the Environmental Assessment and Preliminary Design of improvements to 13 kilometres of Essex County Road 19 (Manning Road), from Highway 3 to the VIA rail line, and 3 kilometres of Essex County Road 22, from the City of Windsor boundary to Lakeshore Boulevard. The preferred design of the improvements includes:

- widening Essex County Road 19 from two to four lanes
- widening Essex County Road 22 from four to six lanes
- double lane roundabout at Essex County Roads 19 and 34
- Highway 401 interchange improvements, including construction of a new underpass structure and reconstruction of interchange ramps
- widening of Pike Creek Bridge from two to four lanes
- grade separation of the CPR crossing and construction of access/service roads for existing uses
- single point urban interchange at Essex County Roads 19 and 22
- partial interchange (half diamond/button hook) at Essex County Road 22 and Lesperance Road.



The Process

The study is subject to Ontario's *Environmental Assessment Act* and was planned in accordance with the requirements of Schedule C of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (October 2000 as amended in 2007) and Group B of the Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000). Opportunities for public input were provided throughout the course of the study. A screening will also be completed under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA)*.

Environmental Study Report/Preliminary Design Report

The Environmental Study Report/Preliminary Design Report (ESR/PDR) prepared for this project describes the preferred Preliminary Design, anticipated environmental impacts, and the environmental measures and provisions that have been incorporated into the design to mitigate the project's impacts.

The ESR/PDR will be available for a 30-day public and agency review period from **November 18, 2008 to January 5, 2009** at the following locations or by visiting http://www.countyofessex.on.ca/countyservices/engineering_road_studies.asp

County of Essex
360 Fairview Avenue West
Essex, Ontario
Tel: 519-776-6441

Essex County Library
Tecumseh Branch
13675 St. Gregory's Road
Tecumseh, Ontario
Tel: 519-735-3670

Town of Tecumseh
917 Lesperance Road
Tecumseh, Ontario
Tel. 519-735-2184

Town of Lakeshore
419 Notre Dame Street
Belle River, Ontario
Tel: 519-728-2700

Ministry of Transportation
949 McDougall Avenue,
Suite 200
Windsor, ON
Tel: 519-973-7367

Ministry of Transportation
West Region, 1st Floor
659 Exeter Road
London, Ontario
Tel: 519-873-4100

Ministry of the Environment
Windsor Area Office
4510 Rhodes Drive, Unit 620
Windsor, Ontario
Tel: 519-948-1464

Ministry of the Environment
Southwest Regional Office
733 Exeter Road
London, Ontario
Tel: 519-873-5000

Comments

If you have concerns, comments or questions, please provide a written response to the Project team representatives listed below by **January 5, 2009**.

If you have serious concerns, that cannot be resolved through discussions with the County, MTO and their consultants, you may request the Minister of the Environment (in writing) to issue a "Part II Order" under the *Environmental Assessment Act* to change the status of the project from a Class EA to an individual EA. Requests must be received by the Minister at the address below by **January 5, 2009**. A copy of the request must be sent to the County of Essex, the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and the Consultant at the addresses listed below. If no Part II Order requests are received by **January 5, 2009**, this project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA. Detailed design can be scheduled subject to available funding.

Minister of the Environment
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 10th Floor
Toronto, Ontario, M4V 1P5

Information will be collected and used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

Let's Get Windsor-Essex Moving Strategy

This project is part of the *Let's Get Windsor-Essex Moving* strategy, a joint commitment by the federal and provincial governments to invest \$300 million at the Windsor Gateway on several infrastructure projects that will help reduce congestion and improve efficiency in Windsor-Essex. Funding is being provided under the Canada-Ontario Border Infrastructure Fund.

Keeping Track of the Project

The Ministry of Transportation and County of Essex websites are valuable sources of information on the project. Additional information can be found online at: www.countyofessex.on.ca and www.mto.gov.on.ca.

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If you have any questions, or require further information, please contact:

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