

**MIDDLEPORT BRIDGE OVER BIG CREEK
CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

The County of Brant is undertaking a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study to review the future status of the Middleport Bridge located on Middleport Road at a tributary of Big Creek, approximately 1.5km north of County Highway No. 54, Lot 16, Concession 3, in the former Township of Onondaga, in the County of Brant, as shown in the Key Plan.

The study will review the following conditions associated with the existing bridge:

- i) existing bridge structure and road are currently closed;
- ii) structural deficiencies
- iii) advanced state of deterioration;
- iv) substandard width (single lane only);
- v) deficient barrier protection and guide rail protection.

The study is being conducted in accordance with **Schedule 'B' of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA)** process.

McCormick Rankin Corporation (MRC) is carrying out this study on behalf of the County of Brant.

Several alternatives are being considered, including do nothing, replacement of the existing bridge or possible closure of the existing bridge.

A **Public Information Centre (PIC)** has been arranged to allow local residents and interested members of the public an opportunity to review and comment on the alternatives under consideration, the evaluation process, and the next steps in the study. This will be an informal "open house", and representatives of the County of Brant and MRC (the County's consultant) will be available to review the study and answer questions. Information to be presented at the **PIC** will be available on the County website at www.brant.ca/notices on June 8, 2009.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

DATE: Thursday, June 11, 2009
TIME: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
PLACE: Onondaga Community Center
 42 Brantford Street, Onondaga ON

Following the **PIC**, further comments are invited, for incorporation into the planning and design of this project, and will be received until July 3, 2009. A second **PIC**, planned for later in the study, will present the analysis / evaluation of the alternatives and the selection of the preferred plan.

For further information, or if you wish to be added to the study mailing list, please contact:

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Information will be collected 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.

This Notice issued May 29, 2009.

