

**MIDDLEPORT BRIDGE
STRUCTURE NO. 1-0100-00
MIDDLEPORT ROAD OVER BIG CREEK**

MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

UPDATE FEBRUARY 2010

The County of Brant initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment to consider improvements to the Middleport Bridge in February 2009. As part of this study the County of Brant along with our consultant McCormick Rankin Corporation have been collecting information and consulting with the public, stakeholders and other government agencies. The study area is shown below.

In June 2009, the County of Brant held a Public Information Centre (PIC) to present alternative solutions being considered as part of this study. The alternative solutions being considered are: (i) do nothing, (ii) rehabilitate the structure, (iii) replace the structure on existing alignment and (iv) remove the structure and construct turnarounds. Based on a current evaluation of the alternative solutions, removal of the Middleport Bridge and the construction of turnarounds have been identified as the preliminary preferred alternative.

All notices and presented materials for this study are available on the County of Brant website at www.brant.ca/notices or at the County of Brant Administration Office located at 26 Park Avenue, Burford, Ontario.

The next steps to be taken in this study include a second PIC and 30-day public and agency review period. Notices for both of these events will be advertised in the Brantford Expositor, the Regional News, and the Turtle Island News and on the County of Brant website. However, interested individuals and parties who wish to receive these notices by direct mail may do so by requesting to be added to the study mailing list.

Public Consultation will continue to take place over the course of this study to receive public input and comments. Subject to comments received and receipt of necessary approvals, the County of Brant may proceed with the planning, design and construction of the project. Any works regarding this project will be subject to further approval by the Council of the County of Brant.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, and/or would like to be added to the study mailing list, please contact one of the study representatives listed below:

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