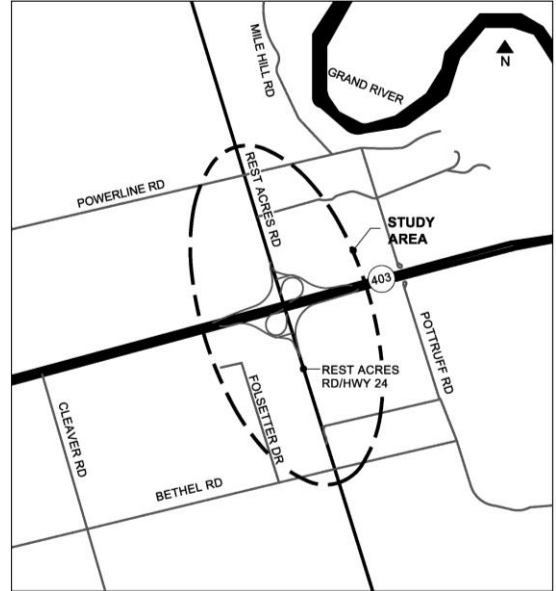


NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE NO. 2B

HARMONIZED PROVINCIAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY AND MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE REST ACRES ROAD/HIGHWAY 24 & HIGHWAY 403 INTERCHANGE

The County of Brant, through their consultant BT Engineering, has initiated a Harmonized Provincial Transportation Facility and Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for the planning of operational improvements to the Rest Acres Road/Highway 24 & Highway 403 interchange located south of Paris. The Ontario Ministry of Transportation will be consulted throughout this study. The purpose of the project is to improve traffic operations and the safety of the existing interchange ramp terminals.

The study area includes the interchange of Rest Acres Road/Highway 24 and Highway 403. Information on the study is available on the County's website: <http://www.brant.ca/>



THE PROCESS

The Class EA Study was initiated as a Harmonized Provincial Group B Class EA/Municipal Schedule C Class EA in accordance with the requirements for both the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000) and the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (2015). Based on the results of the Public Information Centre and the environmental and technical investigations, the project will be stepped down to a Group C (MTO Class EA)/Schedule B (Municipal Class EA) project based on Step-Down criteria of no significant environmental effects or property issues being identified. As a Group C/Schedule B project, an Environmental Screening Document (ESD(MTO Class EA)) / Project File (Municipal Class EA) will be completed and available for review at both the County of Brant Administration Office, 26 Park Avenue, Burford and the Paris Customer Services Office, 66 Grand River Street North, Paris, during regular business hours as well as online at <http://www.brant.ca/>.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The County wishes to ensure that anyone interested in this study has the opportunity to be involved and to provide input. A final Public Information Centre will be held **Thursday, September 8, 2016** in conjunction with the Bishopsgate Road & Highway 403 interchange supplemental PIC. At this open house style meeting the County will present the recommended alternative for the Rest Acres Road/Highway 24 & Highway 403 interchange improvements.

The final Public Information Centre is scheduled for:

Date: Thursday, September 8, 2016
Time: 4:30 to 7:30 PM
Location: Lafarge Room
Brant Sports Complex
944 Powerline Road
County of Brant

To provide comments, obtain more information, or if you have any questions, please contact:

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All information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (2009)*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.