

Notice of Completion and Submission of Design and Construction Report

Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Replacement of Anne Street Bridge and Installation of Noise Walls Highway 400, Barrie, Ontario – GWP 2504-17-00

THE PROJECT

The **Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO)** has retained **McIntosh Perry Consulting Engineers Ltd.** to complete the Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study for the replacement of the Highway 400 Anne Street underpass bridge in the City of Barrie, Simcoe County.

The project also includes pavement resurfacing of Highway 400 from north of Dunlop Street to north of Sunnidale Road and from north of Bayfield Street to north of St. Vincent Street, Highway 400 median barrier replacement, drainage improvements within the resurfacing limits and the installation of noise walls in the vicinity of Anne Street, Bayfield Street and Duckworth Street. The key map shows the Anne Street Bridge location, limits of pavement resurfacing and noise wall locations.

BACKGROUND

In 2004, a Class EA Study and associated Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) was approved, which identified improvements to Highway 400 from 1 km south of Highway 89 to the junction at Highway 11 to accommodate future transportation needs. In 2017, an update to the 2004 Class EA was undertaken, resulting in an approved TESR Addendum. Both studies found that widening of Highway 400 to 10 lanes was required to accommodate future growth.

The MTO is currently undertaking the Detail Design and Class EA Study for the replacement of three bridges on Highway 400 at Dunlop Street, Anne Street and Sunnidale Road, including the reconstruction of the Dunlop Street and Highway 400 interchange. The Anne Street bridge replacement is the first in a series of contracts under this study. The new Anne Street bridge will accommodate future 10-lane widening of Highway 400.

THE PROCESS

The study has followed the approved planning process under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* for a Group "B" project. A Design and Construction Report (DCR) has been prepared, which includes a summary of the detail design study and environmental assessment process undertaken for this project, existing environmental conditions, and the mitigation measures developed to address environmental concerns.

The DCR is available for a 30-day public and external agency review period from **November 19, 2020 to December 19, 2020** on the project website:
<http://highway400dunlopannesunnidale.com>

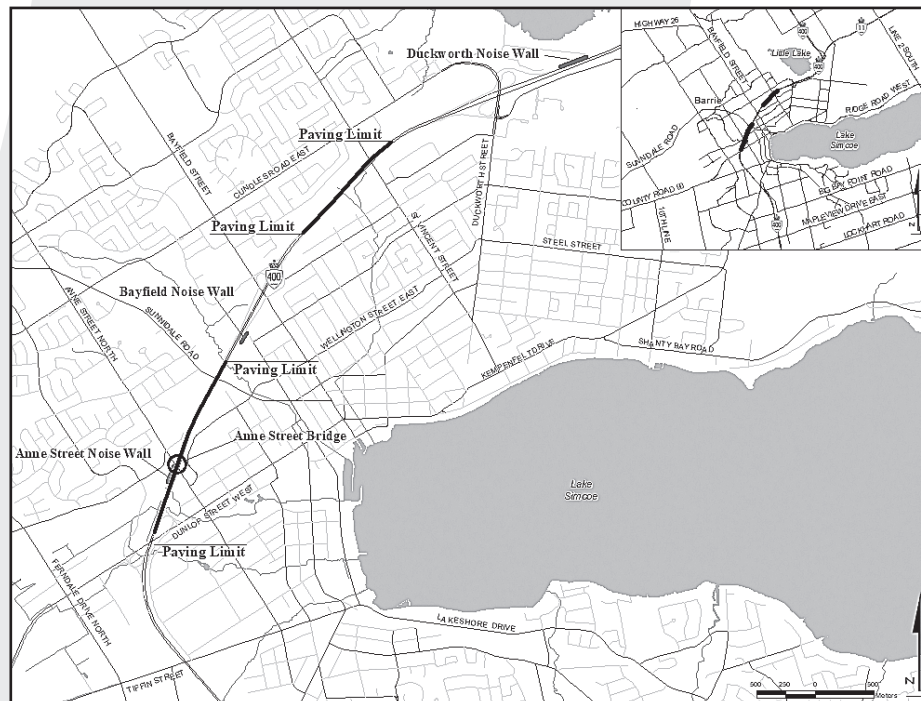
COMMENTS

Interested persons are encouraged to review the DCR and provide comments by **December 19, 2020**. The Project Team will respond to all comments generated during the 30-day public review. Outstanding concerns are to be directed to the proponent for a response, unless the outstanding concerns are regarding potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty rights, in which case Part II Order requests on these matters should be addressed in writing to the following:

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