

# Notice of Online Public Information Centre No. 1

## Highway 416 at Barnsdale Road Interchange

### Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study (G.W.P. 4057-20-00)



#### THE PROJECT

**Morrison Hershfield Limited** has been retained by the **Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO)** to undertake a Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for a new interchange around the intersection of Highway 416 and Barnsdale Road in the City of Ottawa.

Currently, an overpass carries traffic east-west along Barnsdale Road, over Highway 416. The intersection's current configuration does not allow for any entry to, or exit from, Highway 416. The proposed (new) interchange would accommodate traffic movements in all directions by providing entry and exit from both northbound and southbound lanes of Highway 416.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

You are invited to take part in Online Public Information Centre (PIC) No. 1 which provides an opportunity to share information and seek input regarding the project and the alternatives being considered. The PIC materials will be posted on the project website ([www.highway416barnsdale.com](http://www.highway416barnsdale.com)) starting April 8, 2022. The purpose of the PIC is to present the Class EA Study process, including the challenge/opportunity (or need and justification), the existing natural, socio-economic, cultural and technical conditions within the Study Area (including any constraints), Preliminary Design Alternatives, the evaluation criteria used to assess the alternatives and the next steps. Notification for a second PIC will be distributed at a later date.

The Project Team welcomes your input and you are encouraged to review the PIC materials and provide any comments or questions to the Project Team via the project website or by email to the Project Team members listed below by April 30, 2022.

#### PROCESS

This Study is following the requirements of a Group B Project under the MTO Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000) with the opportunity for public input throughout. Alternatives will be generated and evaluated based on technical and environmental factors and in consultation with Indigenous Communities, public stakeholders, municipalities and government agencies. Two PICs will be held during this Study. A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be

prepared at the completion of the Study and made available for a 30-day public comment period. A Notice of Study Completion (TESR Submission) will be published in local newspapers and on the project website at that time.

#### COMMENTS

If you have any project related questions or concerns, or wish to be added to the project mailing list, please contact one of the following Team members:

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You are encouraged to visit the project website, where project information including Study notices, background information, PIC materials and the TESR will be made available as the study progresses. You can also submit comments and questions to the Project Team on the project website.

Comments and information are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. All information collected will be subject to the provisions and disclosure requirements of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. If you have any accessibility requirements to participate in this Study, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above.

Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant le 613 739-2910, poste 1022292, auprès de Brad Hewton.

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