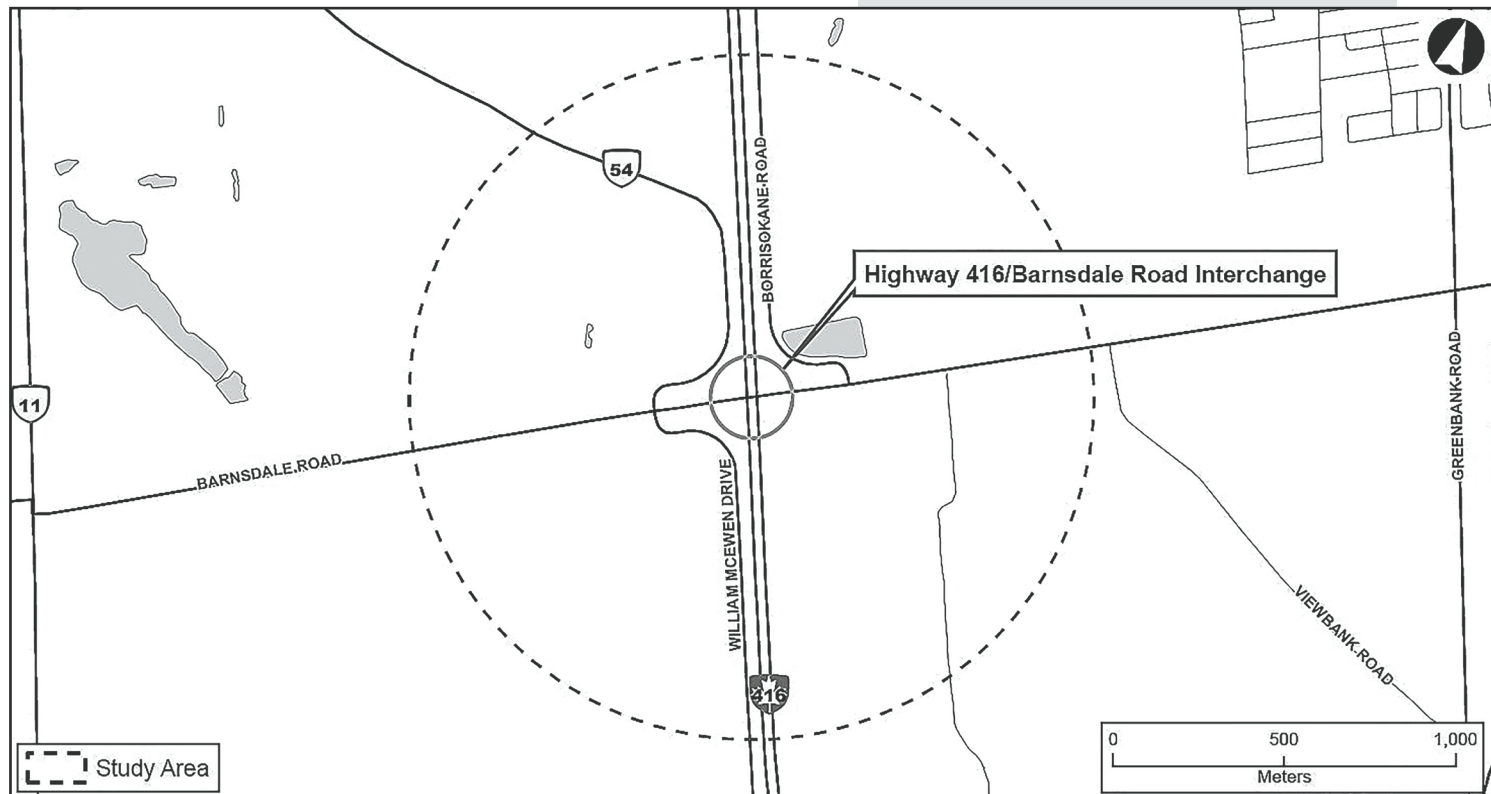


# Notice of Study Commencement

## 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 **Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** to prepare the Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the conceptual design of 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 the northbound and southbound lanes of Highway 416. The interchange is intended to address increased traffic demands and improve operational and safety concerns.

#### PROCESS

This project has been classified as a Group B undertaking under the Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000) with the opportunity for public input throughout. Two Public Information Centres are planned at key milestones during the process and advance notification will be provided. A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) for the Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment for the project will be prepared and made available for a 30-day public comment period. A Notice of Study Completion (TESR Submission) will be published in local newspapers.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

You are invited to visit the Highway 416 at Barnsdale Road Interchange website. The website was developed as a method to provide opportunities for interested stakeholders to access project information, Study updates and available documents. The website currently provides details on the Study background, purpose and Class EA process. You can access the website at the following address:

[www.highway416barnsdale.com](http://www.highway416barnsdale.com)

#### COMMENTS

You are encouraged to participate in the Class EA Study and to provide your respective comments in writing (e.g., mail or email) to the Project Team or via the project website. To comment on this project, add your name to the project mailing list, or submit a question upon reviewing the materials provided on the website, please contact either of the Project Team members listed below:

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If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this Class EA Study, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above.

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 R.S.O., 1990, c.F.31*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

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

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