

NOTICE OF TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT FILING

Preliminary/Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for Hwy. 49 Bay of Quinte Skyway Bridge Rehabilitation - Highway 49 County of Hastings Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory and Prince Edward County (G.W.P. 4071-10-00) (W.P. 4063-10-01)

THE PROJECT

Morrison Hershfield Limited was retained by the Ministry of Transportation to conduct a Preliminary/Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for the Highway 49 Bay of Quinte Skyway Bridge Rehabilitation (see Key Plan).

The goal of this study was to recommend a preferred alternative to rehabilitate the Highway 49 Quinte Skyway Bridge structure. Alternatives considered included: full closure of both lanes of the bridge, partial closure (closure of one lane during construction), and single lane closure with bi-directional traffic on the bridge.

THE PROCESS

The study followed the approved planning process for a Group 'B' project in accordance with the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000) with the opportunity for public input throughout the study.

TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT (TESR)

A TESR has been prepared to document the proposed rehabilitation plan and will be available for review and comment starting on **August 10, 2017**. The **45-day public review will start on August 10, 2017 and end on September 25, 2017**. Copies of the TESR are available for public review at the following locations:

Ministry of Transportation

1355 John Counter Blvd.
Kingston, ON K7L 5A3

Prince Edward County Municipal Office

332 Main Street
Picton, ON K0K 2T0

Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte

24 Meadow Drive
Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory, ON K0K 1X0

Deseronto Municipal Office

331 Main Street, Deseronto, ON K0K 1X0

Picton Public Library

208 Main Street W., Picton, ON K0K 2T0

The study website

www.hwy49quinteskyway.ca

If, after reviewing the TESR and consulting with the Project Team, you have serious unresolved concerns, you may send a request to the Minister of the Environment & Climate Change in writing (Ministry of the Environment & Climate Change, Floor 11, 77 Wellesley St. W., Toronto, ON M7A 2T5) to issue a Part II Order ("bump-up"). Any requests must be received by **September 25, 2017** and a copy sent to the Ministry of Transportation at the address below. If there are no outstanding concerns at the end of the 45-day review period, the project will be eligible to proceed to construction. Construction is expected to begin in 2018.

COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments or concerns that you may have with the study. For further information or to be added to the project mailing list, please contact:

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Information will be collected in accordance with 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 in order to participate in this project please contact one of the Project Team members listed above.

