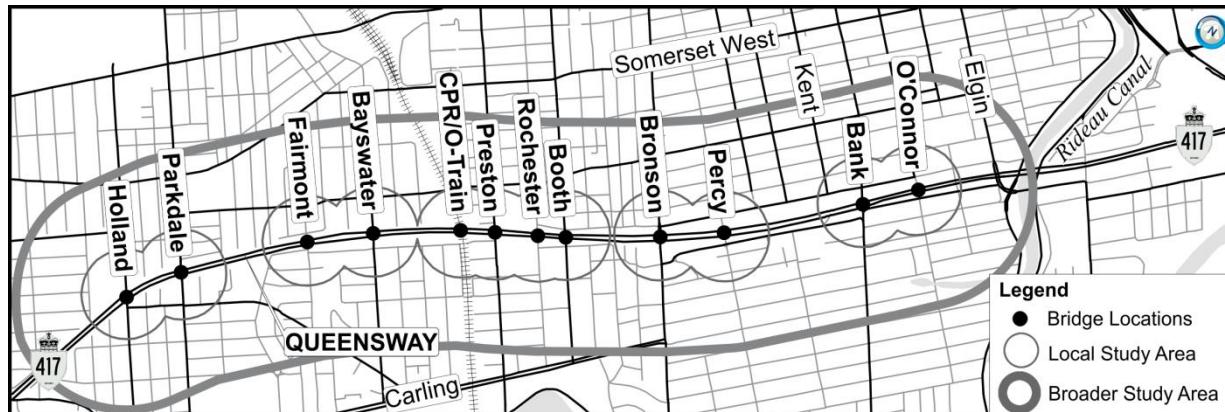


NOTICE OF SUBMISSION

TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT

PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY FOR THE REHABILITATION / REPLACEMENT OF OTTAWA QUEENSWAY MID-TOWN BRIDGES FROM HOLLAND AVENUE TO O'CONNOR STREET (G.W.P. 4075-11-00)

THE STUDY - The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained Morrison Hershfield Limited (MH) to undertake a preliminary design and environmental assessment (EA) study for the rehabilitation and / or replacement of twenty-three bridges (twelve locations) on Highway 417 (Ottawa Queensway) from Holland Avenue to O'Connor Street, in the City of Ottawa. This study determined the appropriate strategy for the rehabilitation or replacement of the bridges. The study areas are shown on the map below.



Several alternatives were reviewed for each bridge including structural and construction staging options in order to minimize disruption to the Queensway. In addition, engineering, environmental, and property requirements have been established, along with the identification of mitigation measures to reduce or negate short and long term residual effects. Technically Preferred Alternatives have been identified for all twenty-three bridges and the recommendation is for rehabilitation of bridges at Holland, Parkdale, Fairmont, Bayswater, Bank and O'Connor and replacement of bridges at the CPR/O-Train, Preston, Rochester, Booth, Bronson and Percy.

THE PROCESS - This Study was completed in accordance with the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* process for a Group "B" project. External agency and public consultation took place throughout the study. As required, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) has been prepared which includes a summary of the undertaking, consultation process, the existing environmental issues, alternatives evaluation, and the mitigation measures that have been developed to address environmental concerns. The public is encouraged to review this report. It will be available from Wednesday, October 14, 2015 until Monday, November 16, 2015 at the following locations:

Ottawa Public Library - Main Branch

120 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa
tel. 613-580-2945
Monday to Thursday: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Hintonburg Community Centre

1064 Wellington St., Ottawa
tel. 613-798-8874
Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Plant Recreation Centre

930 Somerset Street West, Ottawa
tel. 613-232-3000
Monday to Friday: 6:45 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday: 7:45 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

McNabb Recreation Centre

180 Percy Street, Ottawa
tel: 613-564-1070
Monday to Friday: 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Ottawa Public Library - Sunnyside Branch

1049 Bank Street, Ottawa
tel: 613-730-1082
Monday to Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8:30 pm
Friday: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

City of Ottawa Service Centre

110 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa
Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

If, following consultation with MTO and MH, you have serious unresolved concerns with the project, you have the right to request the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (77 Wellesley Street West, 11th Floor, Ferguson Block, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 2T5) to "bump-up" (i.e., make a Part II Order under the *Environmental Assessment Act*) this project. A Part II Order may lead to the preparation of an Individual EA. The Part II Order request must be received by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change at the above address by November 16, 2015, and a copy of the request should be forwarded to MTO at the address below. If there are no outstanding concerns after November 16, 2015, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA.

COMMENTS - If you would like to provide comments, or require additional project information, please contact the Consultant or MTO Project Manager listed below or visit the project website at www.queenswaymidtownbridges.com:

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If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in the study, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above. 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. Pour des renseignements en français veuillez communiquer avec Karine Bertrand au: 613 739-2910 ou KBertrand@morrisonhershfield.com.