

NOTICE OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION REPORT #2 REVIEW OPPORTUNITY

The Windsor-Essex Parkway

The second Design and Construction Report for the Windsor-Essex Parkway documents the proposed works and associated mitigation measures and how public input received to date and commitments outlined in the Detroit River International Crossing Provincial Environmental Assessment Report (December 2008) and the associated Conditions of Approval (August 2009) have been addressed. The Design and Construction Report is available for a 30-day public review period starting **Tuesday, October 11, 2011, at 3:00 p.m.** at the locations listed below, as well as online at www.weparkway.ca.

PROPOSED WORKS

The works in Design and Construction Report #2 include full excavation, grading, and construction of the Windsor-Essex Parkway from Ojibway Parkway to 700 m west of North Talbot Road. In an effort to minimize the length of time that the project takes, construction will be ongoing simultaneously in various locations throughout the project area. Vegetation removal will continue along the entire corridor and is necessary to make room for the required utility relocations, traffic diversions and the road, bridge and tunnel construction.

The general sequence of construction activities documented in Design and Construction Report #2 will be:

1. vegetation removal, top soil stripping and grading throughout the project area
2. digging of stormwater management ponds to preliminary configuration and to be used to treat water from excavation work
3. construction of traffic diversions including granular placement and paving
4. excavation for new Highway 401 and Highway 3 with the priority areas being where bridges and tunnels are to be constructed
5. pile driving and construction of bridges and tunnels
6. construction of roadside elements such as illumination, traffic signals, Advanced Traffic Management Systems, drainage and roadside safety elements
7. placement of granulars and paving.

Although listed in an order, many of these activities will be occurring in parallel with one another. Public consultation will continue throughout design and construction of the project. The detail design for the remaining components of the Windsor-Essex Parkway will be addressed in future Design and Construction Reports.

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Four lanes of traffic will be maintained at all times within the Highway 3/Huron Church Road corridor, with isolated exceptions between midnight and 5:00 a.m. Diversions (consisting of on-site temporary roads built to move traffic around construction activities), temporary road closures and lane reductions during late night hours will assist in accomplishing this. The following temporary traffic diversions will be constructed over the next eight months:

Diversion	Between	To connect	To allow
1	Bethlehem Ave and Lambton Rd	Spring Garden Rd and Lambton Rd	Construction of the Labelle Tunnel (T-2)
2	Labelle St and Grand Marais Rd West	New Hwy 3 to the East	Construction of Grand Marais Tunnel (T-3) and Bridge B-7 (west of Grand Marais Rd)
3	West of Cabana Rd to Pulford St	New Hwy 3 to the East	Construction of Oakwood Tunnel (T-5) and Bridge B-8 (east of Pulford St)
4	West of Geraedts Dr to Cabana Rd	New Hwy 3	Construction of Bridges B-9 (between Cabana Rd and Geraedts Rd) and Bridge B-10 (west of St. Clair College) and Todd/Cabana Tunnel (T-6)
5 and 7	West of Howard Ave to Sandwich West Pky	New Hwy 3	Partial construction of Hearthwood Tunnel (T-10B) and construction of Oliver Estates Tunnel (T-11) and Bridge B-11 (west of Howard Ave).
6	East of Howard Ave	New Hwy 3	Future construction of Bridge B-12
8	Huron Church Line to New Hwy 3	Huron Church Line to New Hwy 3	Villa Borghese Tunnel (T-7)

The following road closures were identified as required in the DRIC EA Report and, subject to all approvals, will take place over the next eight months:

Road	Municipality	Estimated Timing of Closure	Status of Closure
Spring Garden Rd at Huron Church Rd*	Windsor	January 2012	Permanent
Grand Marais Rd West at Huron Church Rd	Windsor	April/May 2012 (2 months)	Short-term temporary
Pulford St at Huron Church Rd	Windsor	May 2012 (1 month)	Short-term temporary
Grosvenor Dr at Hwy 3	LaSalle	December 2011	Permanent
Surrey Dr at Hwy 3	LaSalle	December 2011	Permanent
Montgomery Dr at Hwy 3	LaSalle	December 2011 to January 2013	Long-term temporary
Outer Dr South of Hwy 3	Tecumseh	October 2011	Permanent

* As outlined in the DRIC EA Report, Spring Garden Road will be realigned and connected to Bethlehem Avenue opposite Sixth Street

COMMENTS

Comments on this Design and Construction Report can be provided by mail, email or fax, as noted in the contact information provided below, and may also be submitted through the project website at www.weparkway.ca. **All comments must be received no later than Thursday, November 10, 2011 by 3:00 pm.** Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of any personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. Following completion of the 30-day review period, construction of the components outlined in this Design and Construction Report will begin.

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