

Proposed Closure of E.C. Row Expressway On-ramp at Matchette Road

A two-year closure of the Matchette Road eastbound on-ramp to E.C. Row Expressway is proposed. Should this closure take place, it is anticipated to begin in March 2012.

Why are we proposing this closure?

This proposed closure would facilitate the installation of wick drains. Wick drain installation is required to complete the process of strengthening the soil base to support the new portion of highway being constructed in this area.

Wick drains are man-made drainage paths to allow faster settling of certain types of soils. They also provide greater strength in areas where a significant amount of fill will be placed. Once the wick drains are installed, fill will be placed to build up embankments and the area will be ready for road construction and paving. For additional information on wick drains, please visit:

www.weparkway.ca/pdfs/PIOH2%20Fact%20Sheets%20EN.pdf.

Detour Route

Traffic studies were conducted in the area of the proposed closure in October 2011. For the duration of this proposed closure the following traffic patterns are anticipated:

- Traffic coming from the north of E.C. Row Expressway on to Matchette Road will use Broadway Street/Ojibway Parkway to access E.C. Row Expressway east.
- Traffic east of Matchette Road will use Huron Church Road to access E.C. Row Expressway.

One alternative that is currently being examined is to allow northbound diverted traffic to turn left at Sprucewood Avenue.

Two designated detour routes are under consideration – one via Broadway Street to Ojibway Parkway and the second to Ojibway Parkway via Sprucewood Avenue. See the detour map on the back of this sheet.

Notification

Advanced signage will be installed seven to 14 days prior to the closure and will be positioned in strategic locations in relation to the traffic flow. Residents and business owners in adjacent areas will be made aware of this closure via direct mail drop. A public notice will appear in local newspapers and all information will be available at www.weparkway.ca.

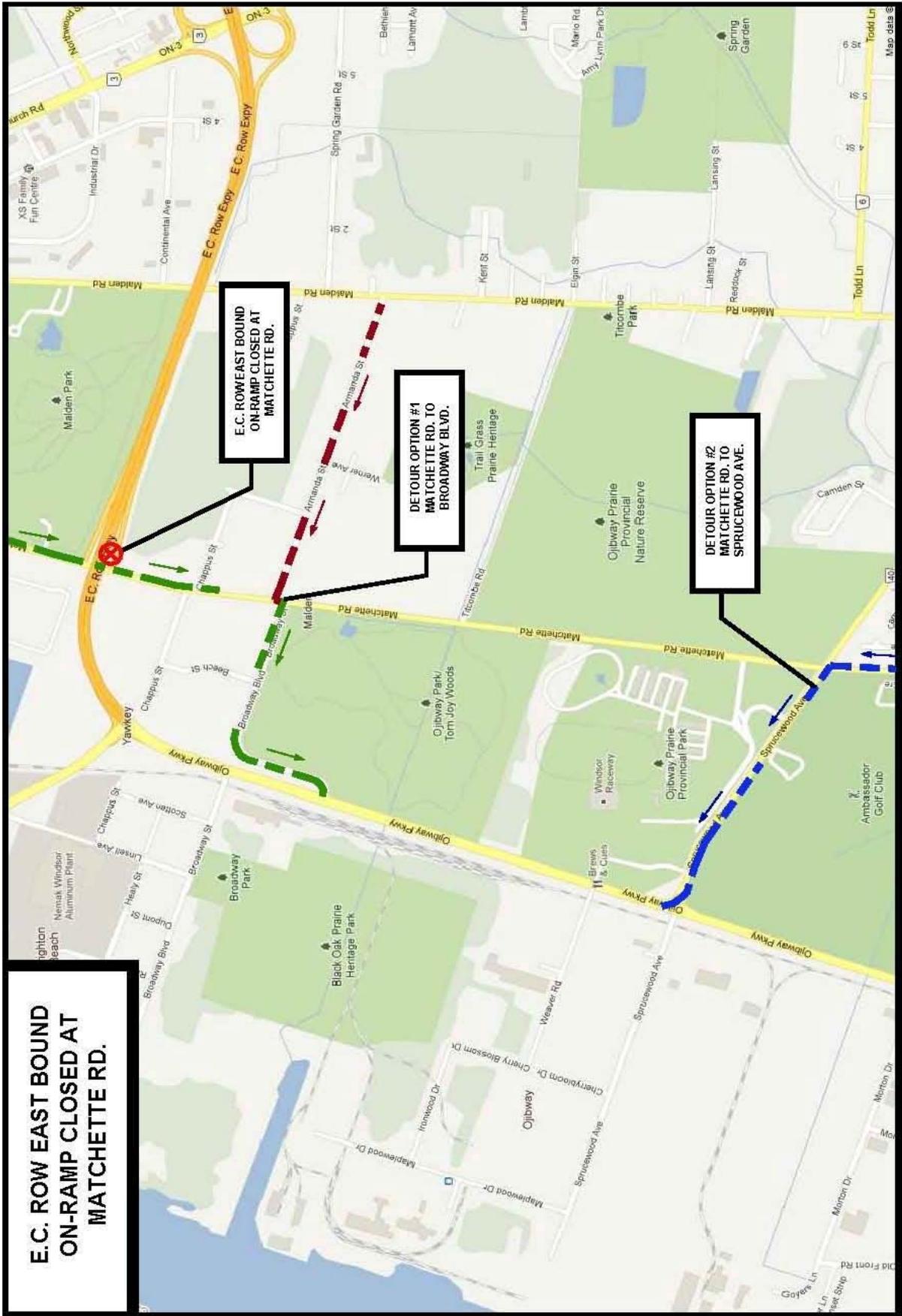
Have your say

We want to know your thoughts about this proposed closure and the associated detour routes. Please talk to one of our project staff, record your thoughts on the comment form, or contact the Public Liaison Office at 1-877-937-5929. Your feedback is important in understanding the possible impact this closure will have on the community.

Methods We Use To Communicate

If you have any concerns regarding construction of the Parkway, please contact or visit the Public Liaison Office at 1-877-937-5929, 2187 Huron Church Road Suite 340, or wep-plo@wemq.ca.

Please visit www.weparkway.ca to learn more about the Windsor-Essex Parkway. Updates will be posted on Twitter (www.twitter.com/WEParkway) and photos and videos will be posted on Flickr (www.flickr.com/weparkway) and YouTube (www.youtube.com/weparkway).



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SPRUCEWOOD AVE.**