

Notice of Study Update

Highway 15 and County Road 42 Intersection Improvements, Township of Rideau Lakes

Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Update (GWP 4315-06-00)

The **Ministry of Transportation, Ontario (MTO)** has retained **Dillon Consulting Limited** to update a Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study that was completed in 2017 for improvements to the intersection of Highway 15 and County Road 42, located at the Village of Crosby in the Township of Rideau Lakes, United Counties of Leeds and Grenville.

The Preliminary Design and Class EA for this project was completed and documented in a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) which received Environmental Clearance in January 2018. The MTO is updating the Preliminary Design to evaluate long-term intersection improvements that may include:

- Modifications to the approaches on Highway 15 and County Road 42 which would accommodate a modern roundabout.
- Realignment of Highway 15 and County Road 42 which would accommodate installation of traffic signals at the intersection.

Other options may also be developed and evaluated as part of this update.

The project is being completed in accordance with the MTO Class EA for *Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* as a Group "B" undertaking. Group "B" projects are considered approved, subject to compliance with the Class EA.

An online Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held to present the intersection improvement alternatives and obtain public input into the design. The PIC will be advertised in the local newspaper and a letter sent to stakeholders, agencies and Indigenous Communities on the project contact list. A TESR Addendum will be prepared at the end of this study to document the changes to the preliminary intersection improvements design and will be made available for a 30-day public comment period.

Project information including the Class EA process, design alternatives and project team contact details will be posted on the project website at www.hwy15crosby.com. The website will include an interactive map and will be updated as the project progresses.

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COMMENTS

The Project Team is interested in receiving any comments or concerns that you have regarding this project. The website includes a "Contact Us" page for you to request to be added to the project Contact List and a link to submit your comments to the project team. If you would like to speak with a project team member directly, please contact one of the team members listed below.

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If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above. Comments and information collected during the study will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and *Access to Information Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will be part of the public record.

