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December 2, 2021

**Re: Notice of Study Commencement
QEW Burlington Skyway Southbound Lane Structural Rehabilitations
Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study
(GWP 2385-15-00)**

Dear Sir / Madam,

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained WSP Canada Inc. to undertake the Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study (Class EA) for the structural rehabilitations of the QEW Burlington Skyway southbound lane, within the City of Hamilton and the City of Burlington. A key plan showing the study area is provided in the enclosed notice. The study includes widening the QEW by one lane in the Niagara-bound direction between north of North Shore Boulevard N-E/W off-ramp and the Burlington Skyway, and associated N-S on-ramp re-alignment.

This study will follow the approved environmental planning process for Group 'C' projects under the MTO *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000). Group 'C' projects are considered approved, subject to compliance with the Class EA and the application of mitigation measures where necessary. Upon completion of the study, an Environmental Screening Document (ESD) will be prepared to document the project, its potential impacts and proposed mitigation measures.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you about the commencement of this project and provide an opportunity for your input. Please provide any comments you may have about this study by **January 7, 2022**. An agency comment form is enclosed to facilitate your response. Comments may be submitted via email to christine.vazz@wsp.com.

For additional details, please contact one of the Project Team members noted in the enclosed notice at any time during the study.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Hui'.

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Encl. Ontario Government Notice and Comment Form

cc: Alice Kam, Senior Project Engineer – MTO
Andrea Dorton, Environmental Planner – MTO
Christine Vazz, Senior Environmental Planner – WSP Canada Inc.

QEW Burlington Skyway Southbound Lane Structural Rehabilitations
(GWP 2835-15-00)

COMMENT FORM

Type of Project: Detail Design
Environmental Assessment Type: Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities (Group 'C' project)
Project Location: City of Hamilton and City of Burlington – See enclosed Key Map

Agency Name & Division or Branch:	
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COMMENTS:

1. Does your organization wish to participate in this project?
☐ YES ☐ NO
2. If yes to the above, please provide the contact name, telephone #, address and e-mail for future correspondence.

Contact Name:	
Telephone #:	
Address:	
E-mail:	

3. Preferred method of correspondence?
☐ Email ☐ Regular Mail
4. Please provide any information, questions, comments or concerns your agency may have at this time.

For further information regarding this project, please contact the undersigned at the address listed below.

PLEASE EMAIL THIS FORM BACK BY JANUARY 7, 2022 TO:

Christine Vazz
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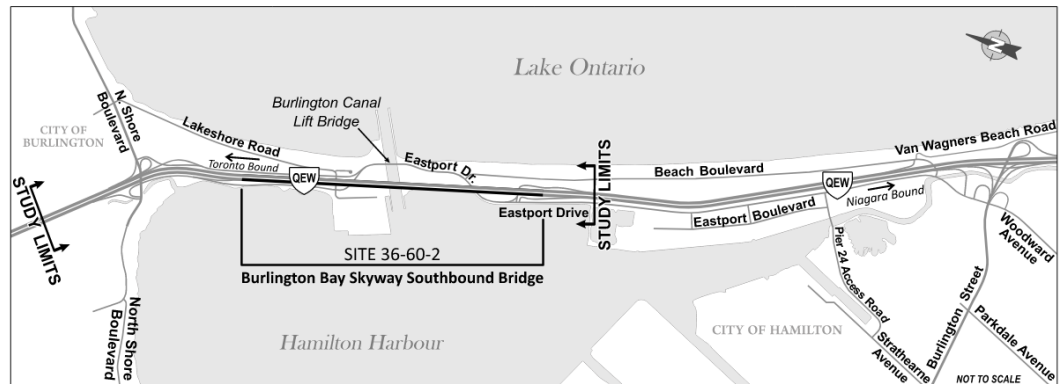
NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

QEW BURLINGTON SKYWAY SOUTHBOUND LANE STRUCTURAL REHABILITATIONS DETAIL DESIGN STUDY AND CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (GWP 2130-18-00)

THE STUDY

The **Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** has retained **WSP Canada Inc. (WSP)** to undertake the Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study (Class EA) for the structural rehabilitations of the Queen Elizabeth Way (QEW) Burlington Skyway southbound lane, within the City of Hamilton and the City of Burlington. The study area is shown on the key plan.

The study includes widening the QEW by one lane in the Niagara-bound direction between north of North Shore Boulevard N-E/W off-ramp and the Burlington Skyway, and associated N-S on-ramp re-alignment.



THE PROCESS

This study will follow the approved environmental planning process for Group 'C' projects under the MTO *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000). Group 'C' projects are considered approved, subject to compliance with the Class EA and the application of mitigation measures where necessary. Upon completion of the study, an Environmental Screening Document (ESD) will be prepared to document the project, its potential impacts and proposed mitigation measures.

COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have regarding this study. If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments, please contact one of the Project 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 are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the *Access to Information Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant (905) 829-6262 (Jad Murtada).