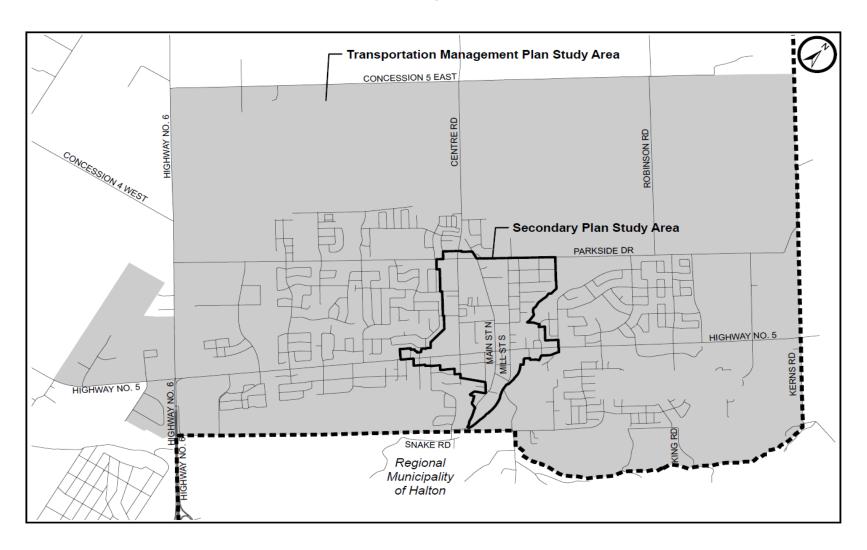


PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING WATERDOWN TMP

March 22, 2022

Study Area





Study Objective

- Identify current transportation problems
- Develop solutions to address current problems
- Support growth and protect for future needs
- Transportation study to support Waterdown Node Secondary Plan



Study Process

PHASE 1: Problem/Opportunity

PHASE 2: Alternative Solutions PHASE 4: Environmental Study Report

PHASE 5: Implementation

- •Confirm the study purpose and justification
- Identify problem/ opportunity
- Alternative solutions to the problem/ opportunity
- Conduct an overview of existing conditions
- Identify impacts
- Evaluate alternatives
- Recommend solution
- Select the preferred solution
- Document decision making process (Master Plan document)
- Committee report and final public notice

Identify alternative design concepts

PHASE 3:

Alternative Design

Concepts for Preferred

Solution

- Detailed review of existing conditions
- Evaluate alternative designs and recommend preferred design
 - Consult review agencies and the public
 - Select the preferred design

•Document the process by completing an Environmental Study Report (ESR) for a Schedule C project

- Design phase
- Proceed to design/construction of the project
- Monitor for environmental provisions and commitments

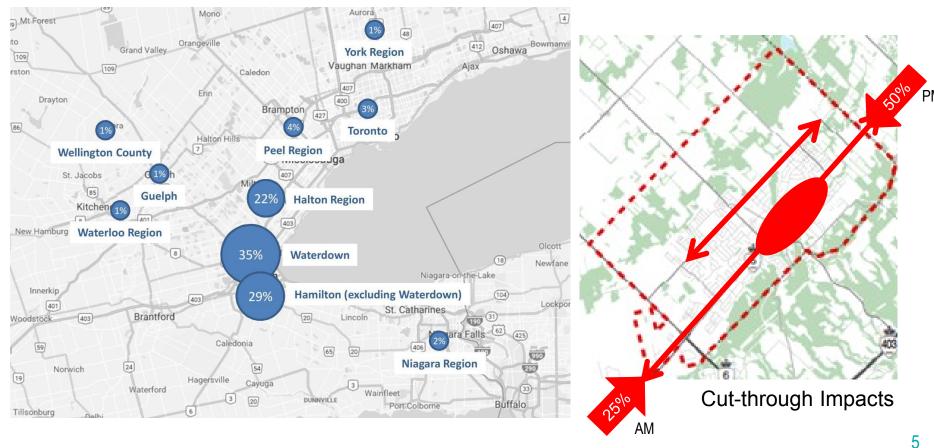
The Transportation Master Plan study is following the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) (2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015).

The Class EA process ensures that all relevant social, environmental and engineering factors are considered in the planning and design process. Public and agency input is integrated into the decision making process



Existing Conditions

- Approximately, 88% of all trips made by Waterdown residents are by car
- About 65% of all trips origins are destined to areas outside of Waterdown





Transportation Issues

Network Capacity Issues:

- Dundas Street between
 Hamilton Street and Mill Street
 (AM and PM peak periods)
- Mill Street (NB) at Dundas Street (PM peak period)
- Right-turn from Dundas Street onto Avonsyde Boulevard

Speeding Issues:

- Spring Creek Drive
- Laurendale Avenue
- Braeheid Avenue
- Riley Street
- Burke Street
- Brian Boulevard
- Main Street North

Safety:

- Concerns on Mill Street South in the Smokey Hollow area
- Road curves Brian Blvd
- School crossing Guy Brown School (Brian Boulevard @ Longyear Drive)
- Left-turn from Boulding Avenue onto Parkside Drive during PM peak period

Neighbourhood Traffic infiltration:

- Spring Creek Drive
- Niska Drive
- Hollybush Drive
- Nisbet Boulevard
- Main Street North



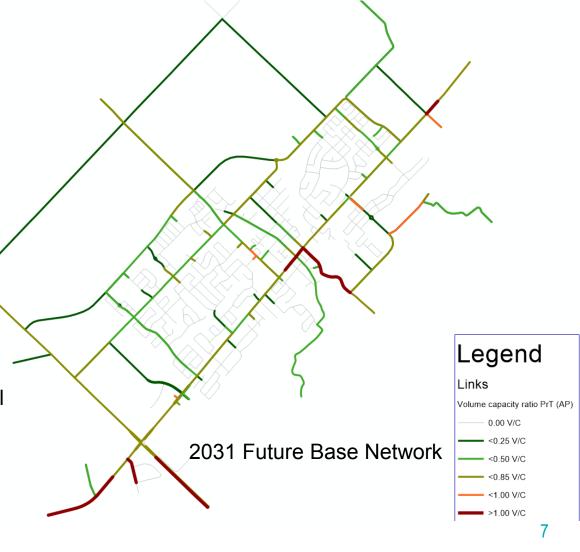
Network Analysis Findings

 Network constraints at Mill Street South, Dundas Street (Avonsyde), Highway 5/6

 Sensitivity Analysis undertaken to account for future development (e.g. iConnect)

 GRIDS2: Forecasted 2051 growth is not anticipated to have additional pressure on the network.

Need to implement previously approved network improvements.





Problem and Opportunity Statement

"Waterdown's transportation network capacity is becoming insufficient to accommodate current and future traffic volumes, resulting in congestion, safety concerns, and traffic infiltration into residential neighbourhoods"

The Waterdown Transportation Management Plan Study was initiated to address short-term issues and identify long-term improvements needed for road network, public transit, and pedestrian and cyclist facilities.



Summary of Alternatives

Road Network / System Optimization

- Widening of Dundas St at the core area
- Mill Street North conversion to one way
- Connect Main Street North to Hamilton Street/Centre Road
- Optimize signal timings

Travel Demand Management

- Expand active transportation network
- Expand HSR transit service
- Active transportation connections across Grindstone Creek

Road Safety

- Options to address safety issues, traffic calming, pedestrian crossings
- Options to address traffic infiltration



Evaluation Criteria

Transportation

- Road capacity
- Feasibility
- Pedestrians & Cyclist
- Transit
- Emergency Services

Public Health

- Air Quality
- Safety
- Social Interaction
- Transportation equity
- Active Transportation

Physical Environment

- Cultural Heritage
- Green space
- Streetscape and public spaces

Cost

- Capital
- Operations / Maintenance
- Economic benefits



Public Consultations

- 12 Consultation events (inclusive of joint events with Secondary Plan)
- Notices to all residents in Waterdown, stakeholders
- PIC #1: October 10, 2019 (in-person)
 - ~ 36 attendees
- PIC #2: October 21, 2020 (virtual)
 - ~ 60 participants
- Three Community Focus Group meetings
- Two presentations to the Flamborough Community Council
- Consultation meetings with Waterdown BIA including walk-about tour of the core area
- Project website to obtain comments and to provide updated information throughout the study process
- Comments received throughout the study period and during PICs







Provincial Investments

Advancement of Provincial Projects

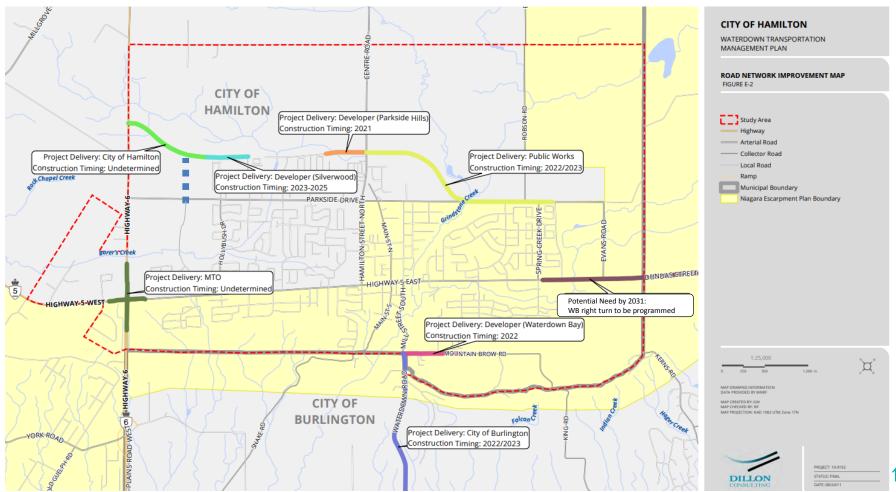
- Detail design of Highway 5 / 6 Interchange underway
 - Property acquisition / utility relocation and coordination
 - Construction
- Metrolinx Dundas Street BRT
 - https://www.metrolinxengage.com/en/engagement-initiatives/dundasbrt

Upstream / Downstream Network Improvements

- Morriston By-Pass (Design-build contract awarded)
 - https://highways6and401hamiltontoguelph.ca/
- Highway 6 / 403 Interchange Preliminary Design and Environmental Assessment
 - https://hwy403hwy6preliminarydesignea.ca/

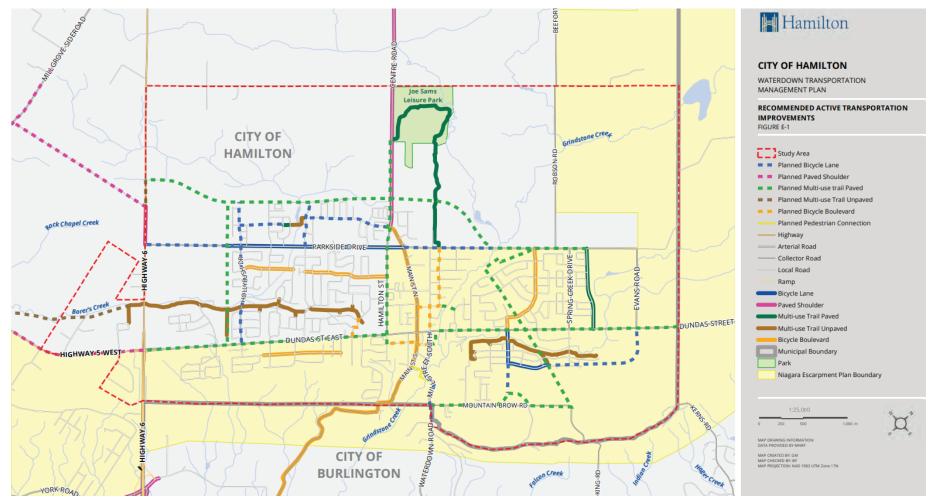


Preferred Alternative: (Network Optimization)





Preferred Alternative: Transportation Demand Management (TDM)





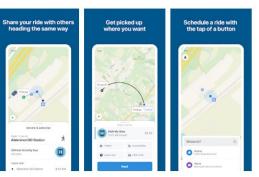
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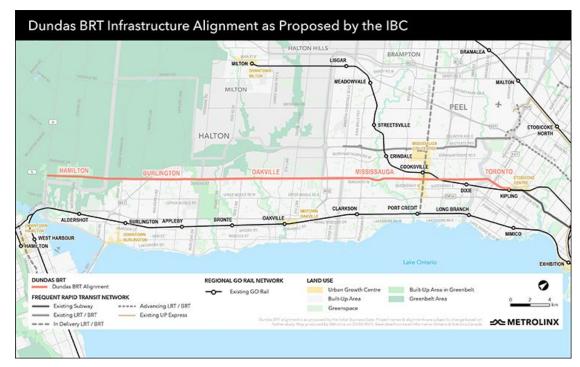
Transportation Demand Management (Transit)

Transit

- Improve transit service and coverage (modify Route 18)
 - Alternative Service Delivery: On-demand Transit service introduced
- Dundas Street BRT (mixed travel lanes through Waterdown)
 - Transit node near Dundas/Hamilton intersection

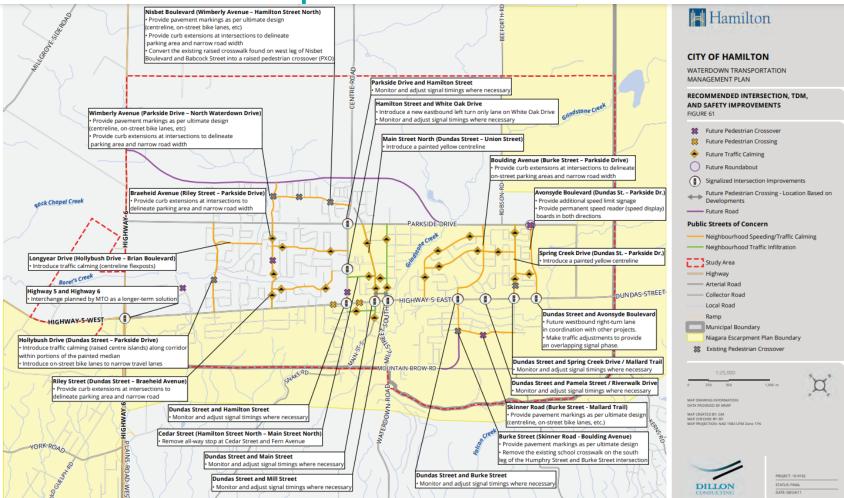






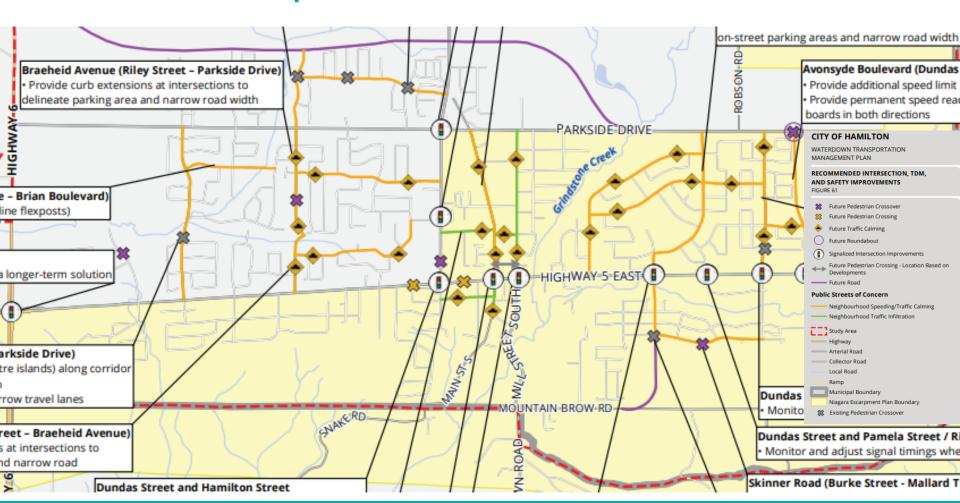


Preferred Alternative: Neighbourhood Vision Zero / Complete Street Interventions





Neighbourhood Vision Zero / Complete Street Interventions





Recommendations

- (e) That the Waterdown Community Transportation Management Plan, attached as Appendix "G" to Report PED22001, be endorsed, and that:
 - (i) The General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to file the Waterdown Community Transportation Management Plan, attached as Appendix "G" to Report PED22001, with the Municipal Clerk for a minimum 30-day public review period;
 - (ii) Upon the completion of the 30-day public review, staff be authorized and directed to program the recommended projects identified in Appendix "H" of this Report for detailed design and implementation using funds under Project ID Account No. 4032017051, and to include the additional needed funds in future Capital Budget submissions;



Recommendations (Cont'd)

- (f) That staff be authorized to undertake the necessary detailed feasibility and design studies and supporting Municipal Class Environment Assessment Studies as required, for the following recommended transportation improvement plans in Waterdown:
 - (i) The extension of Clappison Avenue from Parkside Drive to North Waterdown Drive;
 - (ii) An active transportation bridge across Grindstone Creek connecting Church Street to Margaret Street Park;
 - (iii) An active transportation bridge across the rail line from Sealy Park to the west side of Grindstone Creek, and a walkway through the south side of Mill Street South to the Smokey Hollow waterfall;
 - (iv) Rerouting of planned bike lanes from Dundas Street between Hamilton Street and the Dundas Street bridge, to traverse south on Hamilton Street, east on Barton Street, east on Griffin Street, to continue through the rear of existing properties on the east side of Mill Street South and connect to the future Dundas Street bridge sidewalk on the south side of Dundas Street;



Recommendations (Cont'd)

(g) That funding for the recommended four studies under item (f) above be considered as part of the 2023 Capital Budget planning process.



Thank you

