

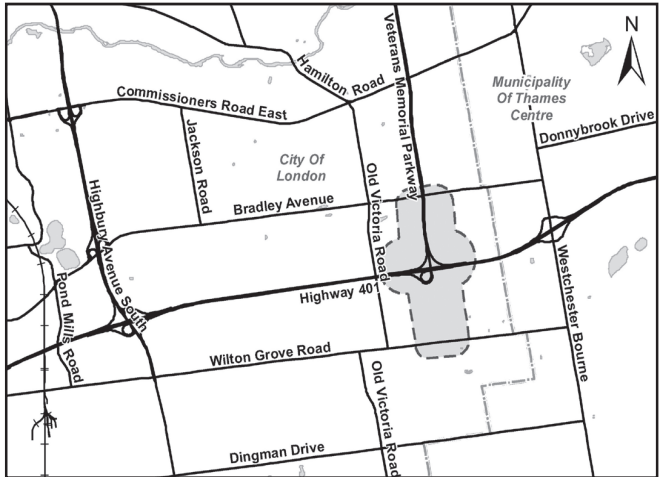
NOTICE OF DETAILED DESIGN AND PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Veterans Memorial Parkway Extension and Highway 401 Interchange Improvements

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) and, the City of London have selected Dufferin Construction Company to design and construct improvements to the interchange at Highway 401 and Veterans Memorial Parkway (VMP) in the City of London, as shown on the key plan.

The project will improve access into the City and support long-term economic growth and development in the area. The Approved Plan includes the following:

- Extension of VMP as a two-lane expressway for approximately 800 m southerly to Wilton Grove Road and construction of a new intersection;
- Interchange improvements that include new ramps and modifications to existing ramps; and
- Replacement of the existing VMP bridge over Highway 401 on its current alignment.



The new bridge and interchange improvements will be designed to accommodate a future eight-lane cross section of Highway 401. Construction of the new bridge will require the temporary closure of the bridge and eastbound ramps for several months during construction. Closures will be communicated and detour routes will be signed.

PROJECT HISTORY/PROCESS

This study has followed the approved planning process for Group 'B' projects under the MTO *Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* and the *Municipal Class EA (2000, and amended in 2007 and 2011)*. The Preliminary Design was completed by MTO and the City of London and documented in a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR). The TESR was made available for a 30-day public review period and received clearance in August 2013.

The completion of detailed design will be undertaken in accordance with MTO's Class EA as a Group 'B' undertaking. A Design and Construction Report (DCR) will be made available for a 30-day public review period with public notice advising of the start of the review period.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE (PIC)

A PIC is planned to present information on the project, including the construction staging and traffic management plan and obtain comments in advance of construction activities anticipated to start in the fall of 2016. The PIC will be held as a drop-in style, open house format. Representatives of the Design-Build Team will be available to answer questions and receive your input. **The PIC is scheduled as follows:**

Date: Thursday, May 26, 2016
Location: Ramada Inn (Churchill Ballroom), 817 Exeter Road, London, Ontario
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

COMMENTS

For up-to-date information and to submit comments to the project team during the detailed design period, please visit the project website: hwy401vmp.ca or contact one of the following individuals:

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