

Town donates to local Water Festival

The Town of Halton Hills gave \$2,000 to support the 2008 Conservation Halton Children's Water Festival that is being held this week.

Local Grade 3-5 Halton Hills students are being bused to Kelso Conservation area to learn about the importance of groundwater through more than 50 outdoor interactive Ontario curriculum-based activities.

Metrolinx proposes largest expansion of transit in GTA

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The plan proposes the addition of 1,150 kilometres of new transit lines over the next 25 years and is to ensure that 75 per cent of residents living in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton area find themselves living within 2 km of a dedicated rapid transit line, up from 42 per cent now.

Metrolinx wants a series of transportation hubs around the region to

make it easy to transfer from one mode of transportation to the other.

MacIsaac said through the plan, "we are finally playing catch-up, after decades of neglecting major-league transit improvements. Other jurisdictions in North America and around the world have the competitive jump on us. This plan can restore our city-region as pre-eminent in transit."

The Big Move details the largest expansion of public transit in the region in more than 50 years, including 1,150 km of new rapid transit lines and other measures that will more than double the number of trips taken on transit every year. When fully implemented, 75 per cent of residents in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area will live within 2 km of rapid transit, compared to just 42 per cent currently.

"This plan will yield tangible results—moving more people, more conveniently, faster," MacIsaac said.

A draft Investment Strategy, outlining a

financial plan to pay for the transportation improvements and ongoing operations was also put forward this week.

Before considering new revenue sources, MacIsaac said enough money has already been committed to begin moving on an extensive list of projects.

"We want to see shovels in the ground. These infrastructure improvements, particularly to public transit, are long overdue. Through the province's MoveOntario 2020 commitments, we can start moving on many projects within the next year," he said.

Metrolinx, a Crown agency of the Province of Ontario, operating within the legislative framework of the Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Act 2006 and the provincial Growth Plan, intends to organize open houses and public meetings across the region over the next two months to get public feedback.

To obtain a copy of the Regional Transportation Plan visit www.metrolinx.com.

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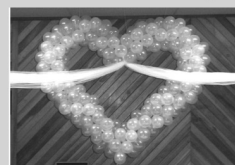
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TOWN OF HALTON HILLS/MILTON

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SCHEDULED COMPLETION DATE: OCTOBER, 2008

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