

#### The Corporation of the Town of Milton

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### MAIN STREET EAST / CPR GRADE SEPARATION CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY

#### NOTICE OF FILING OF ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT

The Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR) has a level crossing within the urban area of Milton located on Main Street East, immediately east of Ontario Street. A grade separation (bridge structure) is warranted at this crossing based on rail and road traffic volumes. Therefore, the Town of Milton has carried out a study of the Main Street East / CPR Grade Separation, in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) process, which is approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act.

Based on the need for a grade separation, the Environmental Study Report addresses:

- the assessment of alternatives
- potential environmental impacts
- associated mitigation measures
- consultation with CPR, technical agencies and the public,

The recommended alternative includes:

- realignment of Main Street East to the south (from east of Ontario Street to Wilson Drive) as an underpass (i.e. road under rail) at the CPR tracks. Main Street East would then tie back into the existing Main Street alignment at Wilson Drive
- construction of steel girder bridges to support the CPR tracks
- pathways on both sides of realigned Main Street East
- a "Service Road", providing access to the businesses on the north side of Main Street East. This Service Road will terminate as a cul-de-sac with no crossing of the railway tracks
- provision of a sidewalk on the north side of the proposed Service Road
- provision of a pedestrian connection (i.e. staircase) from the proposed Service Road to realigned Main Street East, east of the CPR tracks. There will be no at-grade pedestrian crossings of the railway tracks.
- during construction, it is proposed that Main Street East will be maintained with 2 lanes of traffic, during peak traffic times (i.e. 1 lane in each direction) and the provision of a left turn lane. Access to businesses on the north side of Main Street East will be maintained during construction, however, access to the Milton Mall will be restricted to right-in/right-out only during construction.

The nature of the recommended undertaking identifies it as a Schedule 'C' under the Municipal Class EA Process. An Environmental Study Report (ESR) has been prepared and by this Notice is being placed on the public record for review for a 30 day review period in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class EA. Subject to the comments received as a result of this Notice, the Town of Milton intends to proceed to construct the Main Street / CPR grade separation (currently scheduled for late 2009/2010/2011). The ESR is available for review at the following locations:

Town Clerk
Town of Milton
43 Brown Street
Milton, Ontario, L9T 5H2

Mr. John Brophy

Tel: (905) 878-7252 ext 2130 Mon-Fri: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Milton Public Library

45 Bruce Street
Milton, Ontario, L9T 2L5
Tel. 905-875-2665
Mon: Closed

Tues-Thurs: 10:00 am to 9:00 pm Fri, Sat: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Sun: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Clerk's Department
Halton Region

1151 Bronte Road
Oakville, Ontario, L6M 3L1
Tel: (905) 825-6000 ext 7405
Mon-Fri: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Further information may be obtained by contacting:

Senior Manager, Infrastructure, Town of Milton 43 Brown Street, Milton, Ontario L9T 5H2

Phone: (905) 878-7252 ext. 2516

Fax: (905) 876-5029

e-mail: john.brophy@milton.ca

Interested persons may provide written comments to the Town of Milton Clerk (address above), within 30 days from the date of this Notice. If concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the Town of Milton, a person may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (this is referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual Environmental Assessment. Requests must be received by the Minister at the address below by December 6, 2007. A copy of the request must also be sent to the Senior Manager, Infrastructure at the Town of Milton and the Town Clerk. If no request for a Part II Order is received by December 6, 2007, the project will proceed as outlined in the ESR.

Existing Main Street becomes a Service Road Service Road Realignment of Main Street E. to go under CPR tracks

Minister of the Environment 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5

This Notice first issued on November 6, 2007.

# Town ready for snow season

While the temperatures are just starting to drop, the Town says it's ready for whenever the white stuff starts to fly.

The municipality's snow control services started doing 24-hour road patrols this week, reported Town Engineering Services Director Paul Cripps.

"Everything is ready to go," he said.

"The fleet has all been checked over, but hopefully we won't have to use them."

He pointed out that last winter's lack of snow and mild temperatures meant the trucks didn't have to go out as often as usual, resulting in a \$500,000 surplus in the 2006 budget. Staff is now hoping for a repeat performance to see a savings in 2007's \$1.8-million snow control budget.

Cripps said a couple of plow trucks have been added to the Town's fleet this season to help keep up with Milton's rapid growth. The Town now has about 14 of its own plow trucks and around the same number of contracted trucks.

The fleet provides winter maintenance to more than 600 km of Region and Town roads and more than 70 km of designated walkways and sidewalks.

Roads are maintained in a priority sequence, beginning with the Region's roads, followed by arterial and collector roads. Snow clearing operations begin on those roads once two centimetres of snow have accumulated.

The roads are cleared to bare pavement within two to 12 hours following the end of the winter storm, depending on snow accumulations. Urban and rural residential roads follow and are cleared within 24 hours after the snow has stopped.

For more information on the Town's snow control services visit www.milton.ca.

## Meeting on library branch

Local residents can share their thoughts on the design concept for the new branch of the Milton Public Library at a community consultation being held Wednesday evening.

The event will run from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Milton Sports Centre, with the architectural firm ZAS Architects Inc. presenting information at 7:30 p.m.

Those who can't make it to the meeting can still share their vision for the new branch by filling out a comment form available at the main library branch at 45 Bruce St. The form will also be on the library's website, www.mpl.on.ca, after the meeting. Look for 'Fourth Line Branch News' located on the site's homepage.

Library construction is slated to get underway on Fourth Line early next year, with the branch opening its doors by the end of 2008.