

Historic Christmas Feast at Halton Region Museum Sat.

Christmas will be celebrated in 19th-century fashion at a memorable event this Saturday.

The third annual Historic Christmas Feast will be held at Halton Region Museum, located inside Kelso Conservation Area.

Catered by Allison's Gourmet Catering, the evening will offer a modern take on traditional cuisine from the 1800s, as well as

entertainment harkening back to Christmases past.

"The museum's historic location, the authentic menu and the lively entertainment make for a very special evening to remember," said Regional Chair Gary Carr.

The festivities will run from 6 to 11 p.m., beginning with scotch tasting by the fireplace in the Loft Room, followed by an elab-

orate gourmet meal including soup, roast beef with gravy, butter roasted turkey with stuffing, sweet wine Victorian syllabub and more. Plum pudding flambé will complete the dinner, which will be served "family style" in the cozy Hearth Room.

Guests will be entertained throughout the meal with a traditional Saturday night Ceilidh performed by Celtic music group

The Runes.

The event is being held by the Halton Museum Foundation, which raises funds to support capital projects at the museum.

Tickets cost \$115 each and must be purchased in advance by calling (905) 875-2200, ext. 21. Tax receipts will be issued.

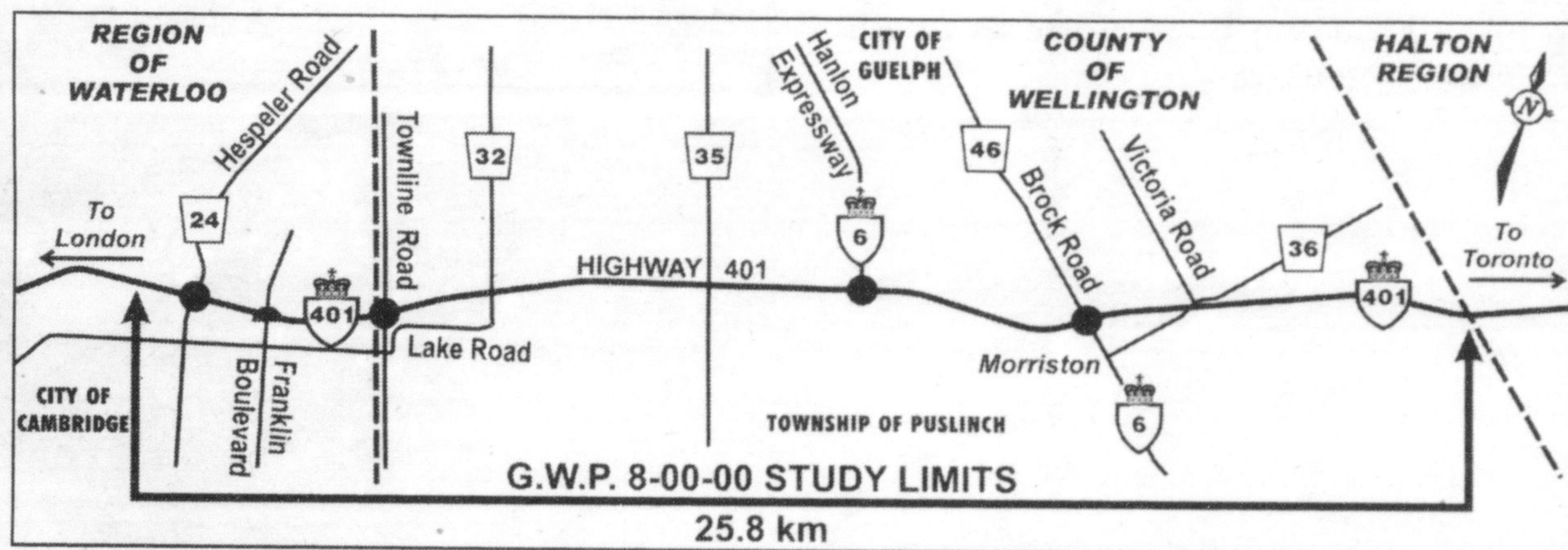
For more information, visit www.halton.ca/museum.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION ONTARIO (MTO) PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) STUDY HIGHWAY 401 IMPROVEMENTS (G.W.P. 8-00-00) From 1.0 km west of Hespeler Road easterly to the Wellington County / Halton Region boundary, 25.8 km

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

THE STUDY

The Ministry of Transportation Ontario (MTO) has retained McCormick Rankin Corporation (MRC) to conduct a Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study to identify capacity, geometric and operational improvements along the Highway 401 corridor from 1.0 km west of Hespeler Road easterly to the Wellington County / Halton Region boundary, within the Region of Waterloo and the County of Wellington, as shown in the Key Plan. The study will identify operational and capacity needs, evaluate alternatives and recommend a plan to address the short, medium and long-term needs of the Highway 401 corridor, including the addition of new lanes, rehabilitation/replacement of structures and interchange improvements. A section of the approved Environmental Assessment for Highway 6, Freelon to Guelph, falls within the limits of this study.



THE PROCESS

The study is following the *Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* process for a Group 'B' project. External agency and public consultation is taking place throughout the study, including two rounds of Public Information Centres (PICs). The first round of PICs has been arranged to provide the public and interest groups an opportunity to review the study process, the study need and justification, the alternatives for the addition of new lanes and interchange improvements. The PICs will be informal drop-in centres and representatives from MTO and their consultant will be in attendance to answer questions and receive comments. You are encouraged to attend one of the PICs and to provide us with your views and comments so they can be considered as the study progresses. Display material presented at the first round of PICs will be posted on the project website (www.highway401-hespeler-halton.ca) after the PICs. The PICs will be held as follows:

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #1

Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2009	Date: Thursday, December 3, 2009
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Time: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Location: Speed River Community Hall (Knights of Columbus) 333 Speedsville Road, Cambridge, Ontario	Location: Puslinch Community Centre 29 Brock Road South, Aberfoyle, Ontario

A second round of PICs, planned for later in the study, will present the detailed analysis / evaluation of the alternatives, and the identification of the preferred improvement plan. Notices providing the time and location of the second round of PICs will be posted on the project website (www.highway401-hespeler-halton.ca), published in local newspapers and sent to persons on the project mailing list. Upon completion of the study, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be prepared and made available for public review. Notices will be posted and published at that time to explain the review process and identify the locations where the TERS is available for the 30-day public review period.

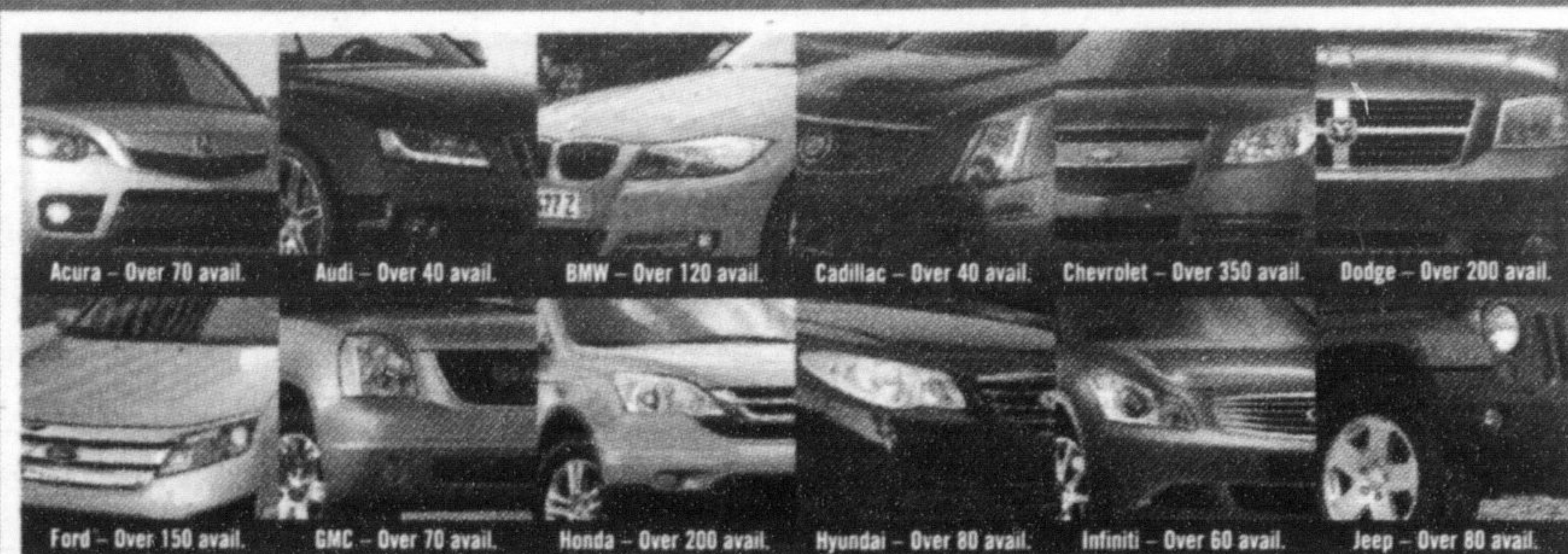
COMMENTS

To obtain additional information, provide comments or to be placed on the mailing list, please contact:

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At any time during the study, interested persons can contact the Ministry's consultant regarding outstanding issues. Information will be collected 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.

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