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## Work on eastern extension yet to start

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in May was "shrouded in secrecy". The new owners' surprises this month make it clear all details of that deal must be made public, he argued yesterday.

Using provincial staff to collect the administrative fee also seems wrong, the MPP said from Thunder Bay.

When he announced the deal as Ontario's privatization minister, Rob Sampson argued the Quebec-Spanish consortium would take care not to raise tolls too high but said the 407's new owners could price their product like any business.

"The highest rate will be what the market is prepared to pay," he said at the time.

But toll rate increases are governed by a complicated — and seemingly contradictory — set of rules.

Increases are supposed to be limited to two per cent a year plus inflation for 15 years. But two years after the 407's latest extensions are complete, its owners will be granted greater rate-setting flexibility, as long as they still meet targets for traffic on their road.

### Environmentalists are hoping for a full-scale federal government review of the 407's eastern route

The province, when it signed the deal, had promised an immediate start to the 15-kilometre eastern extension to Hwy. 48 in Markham to Brock Road in Pickering. Sampson pledged the new owner would be required to start construction in spring.

That promise, however, shifted to a mid-summer start and then silence from the province as the federal government continued an environmental assessment of how the four-lane road, expandable to 10 lanes, will affect fish and navigation in the Rouge River and other watercourses it crosses.

The assessment will finish "sometime this fall," Nancy Maguire, a spokesperson for the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, predicted this month.

Environmentalists, though, are hoping Federal Environment Minister David Anderson will then decide the extension deserves a full-scale federal review, as was ordered this year on the proposed Red Hill Expressway in Hamilton-Wentworth.

"New people are writing letters all the time," added Karen Deer, a Markham member of the Last Green Door Co-op.

Markham Councillor Jack Heath said residents of his east-end ward are worried about the lack of a starting date, especially since the traffic on Main Street, Markham greatly increased when the highway's final exit there was opened at Hwy. 48. "My concern is we might not see construction this year."

Markham Mayor Don Cousens said he is disappointed by the construction delay but doesn't think it will last more than another month.

The 407's owners remain committed to finishing the extension by December, 2001, he said.



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