



YORK RAPID TRANSIT PLAN

## HIGHWAY 7 CORRIDOR AND VAUGHAN NORTH SOUTH LINK ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION OPPORTUNITY

York Region is facing a number of transportation challenges. A top priority of the Region is to improve the movement of people and goods. In response to these transportation challenges, the Region has initiated the York Rapid Transit Plan (YRTP) to facilitate the implementation of a rapid transit network in York Region. The Plan encompasses studies of two major transit corridors and two connecting links to Toronto: the Highway 7 Corridor, the Yonge Street Corridor, the Vaughan North-South Link and the Markham North-South Link.

To "Make the Right Connections!", the Highway 7 Corridor and Vaughan N-S Link EA is examining rapid transit services between Vaughan, Richmond Hill and Markham and from Vaughan Corporate Centre to York University. The first Public Consultation Centre in February 2003 summarized existing conditions and recommendations of the Terms of Reference. The second, in April 2003, provided an opportunity for the public to comment on the design of alignment alternatives and station facilities.

At this third meeting we will present:

- Results of the route evaluations
- Proposed station locations
- Urban design and streetscaping images
- Effects of widening of Highway 7 for the transit lanes
- Measures to accommodate traffic circulation and replace left turns into minor streets and properties along the route

The preferred alternative for Rapid Transit comprises:

- A two-lane median transitway generally in the Highway 7 corridor between Highway 50 in Vaughan and Locust Hill in Markham, along with short sections of transit operation in mixed traffic at existing major north-south overpasses
- Stations at approximately 1 km spacing located generally at major intersections
- Access to an intermodal terminal facility in the Langstaff area providing connection to GO Transit and the proposed Yonge Street Transitway
- Access to a maintenance facility for transit vehicles
- Park and Ride and passenger pick-up/drop-off facilities at selected stations

**Come out... and help "Make the Right Connections!"**

You are invited and encouraged to attend the upcoming Public Consultation Centres to express your views on the design of alternatives and potential solutions for rapid transit in the Highway 7 Corridor. The third Public Consultation Centre will be held at:

**Hillcrest Mall**  
9350 Yonge Street  
Richmond Hill, Ontario  
September 18th  
3:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**Markville Mall**  
5000 Highway #7  
Markham, Ontario  
September 19th  
3:00 PM - 9:00 PM

**The Promenade**  
1 Promenade Circle  
Thornhill, Ontario  
September 20th  
12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

To obtain further information on this study, please visit the project website at: [www.yorkinmotion.com](http://www.yorkinmotion.com). If you wish to have your name placed on our mailing list, or to direct questions and comments please contact:

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# Michigan landfill alternatives investigated by region

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at Wednesday's committee meeting.

Some technology is already proven and would not require an environmental assessment, which can take years, he said.

"They (Michigan politicians) are looking for any way they can to close the border... As long as we are showing Michigan we're moving forward, we won't have a border problem, they will back off," said Mr. Fisch, head of a GTA waste management group.

This rush to find a solution was inspired by the upcoming municipal election, said Newmarket Councillor Tony Van Bynen, who was in the audience

during the committee meeting.

"The public will see the irony of this newfound sense of urgency within 60 days of the municipal election. This is a problem that hasn't been solved for years," he said.

The region has been working on a solution for 10 years and should have found one earlier, he added.

Easier said than done, according to Mr. Fisch. Often technology that appeared to be proven and safe turned out not to be, or it was difficult to introduce.

Ideally, the solution will be cheaper than sending the region's garbage to Michigan, Mr. Fisch said.



**BILL FISCH:** Michigan politicians want to close border to Ontario garbage, regional chairperson says.

The Regional Municipality of York

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**PROPOSED WASTE MANAGEMENT FEES IN 2004 FOR THE  
GEORGINA TRANSFER STATION  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2003 (9:00 A.M.)**

**YORK REGION ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE  
17250 YONGE STREET, NEWMARKET  
COMMITTEE ROOM "A"**

Ontario Regulation 244/02 under the Municipal Act, 2001 (the "Act") requires municipalities to hold a public meeting prior to passing a by-law under Part XII of the Act to impose fees for solid waste management services. The Regional Municipality of York intends to pass a by-law to set fees to be charged in 2004 at its Transfer Station, located at 23068 Warden Avenue in the Town of Georgina.

The proposed fees are presented below.

Material	Sources		
	Works Operations of York Region and Local Municipalities	Delivered by Residents	Industrial Commercial and Institutional
Solid Waste	\$86.00* per tonne	\$70.00 per tonne	\$86.00* per tonne
Compostable Yard Waste	\$90.00 per tonne	\$70.00 per tonne	\$90.00 per tonne
Tires			
- car and light truck	\$3.50 each	\$3.50 each	\$3.50 each
- heavy truck (off rim)	\$21.00 each *	\$21.00 each *	\$21.00 each *
- heavy truck (on rim)	\$26.00 each *	\$26.00 each *	\$26.00 each *
Minimum Charge for Solid Waste and Compostable Yard Waste	\$7.00 per load	\$7.00 per load	\$7.00 per load

Each of the fees denoted with an asterisk (\*) represent a \$1.00 increase over the current fee. All other figures represent the fees now in effect.

York Region's proposed budget of the estimated cost to operate this Transfer Station facility in 2004 will be in excess of \$1.9 million. The revenue from the proposed fees will not exceed and shall be used to partially fund that expenditure.

Any person who attends the public meeting will have an opportunity to make representation with respect to the proposed fees.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact:

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