Transit Project Assessment Process - Public Meetings

Our Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) is now home to nearly 7 million people – heading towards 10 million by 2041. This growth is a sign of success and opportunity. But as we grow, so too must our transportation network – the lifeblood that connects this great region and each of our communities.

Metrolinx, an agency of the Government of Ontario, is bringing more transit and more connections to more places within the GTHA. Every community transit project, big or small, plays a vital role in the regional transportation system. We want to share our plans and get your feedback.

Starting in November we will be hosting community open houses to share information and updates on three of Metrolinx's projects to build new track and electrification infrastructure. We will be seeking your input on these specific plans and feedback on proposed mitigation strategies:

GO Rail Network Electrification Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP) (Hydro One as co-proponents): gotransit.com/electrification

- Environmental Baseline Condition Reports have been prepared, Impact Assessment Reports to evaluate potential environmental effects of the project are underway, and stakeholder consultation is in progress. The project is currently in the Pre-Planning Phase of the TPAP.
- The focus of this round of public meetings will be to provide an update on the project and conceptual design of the Traction Power Supply and Distribution components.

Barrie Rail Corridor Expansion TPAP: metrolinx.com/RERBarrie

- The environmental assessment studies are prepared, which include a detailed overview of impacts to evaluate the environmental effects of the preliminary design. The project is currently in the Pre-Planning Phase.
- The focus of this round of public meetings will be to provide an update on the project and seek feedback on the environmental impacts.

Lakeshore East-Don River to Scarborough Expansion TPAP:

metrolinx.com/DonRiverScarborough

- The project is currently in the Pre-Planning Phase with existing conditions studies completed.
- The focus of this round of public meetings will be on existing conditions.

These meetings will also include information on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) which guides the work being done to transform the transportation network in the GTHA. A review of the RTP is underway, providing the opportunity to formally incorporate new insights into the plan, while ensuring we maintain momentum on the projects underway. Information updates on other key studies and projects in your neighbourhood will also be provided.

We invite you to join us in person at the public meeting nearest you to find out more. (Or, participate online at metrolinxengage.com)

Meeting time: 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. / Presentation: 7:00 p.m.

Monday, November 7, 2016 Hope United Church 2550 Danforth Ave. Toronto, ON M4C 1L2

Tuesday, November 15, 2016Loretto College School
151 Rosemount Ave.
Toronto, ON M6H 2N1

Tuesday, November 22, 2016 Sacred Heart Catholic High School 908 Lemar Rd. Newmarket, ON L3Y 1R9 Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Metro Toronto Convention Centre (South Building) Room 717A and 718 222 Bremner Boulevard Toronto, ON M5V 3L9

Wednesday, November 16, 2016 Riverdale Collegiate Institute 1094 Gerrard St. E. Toronto. ON M4M 2A1

Wednesday, November 23, 2016 Cardinal Carter Catholic High School 210 Bloomington Rd. Aurora, ON L4G 0P9 Monday, November 14, 2016 Bramalea Secondary School 510 Balmoral Dr. Brampton, ON L6T 1W4

Thursday, November 17, 2016Birchmount Park Collegiate Institute 3663 Danforth Ave.
Scarborough, ON M1N 2G2

Thursday, November 24, 2016Vellore Village Community Centre
1 Villa Royale Ave.
Woodbridge, ON L4H 2Z7

Thursday, November 17, 2016Cornell Community Centre
3201 Bur Oak Ave.

Markham, ON L6B 0T2

Monday, November 28, 2016 Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School 959 Midland Ave. Scarborough, ON M1K 4G4 Monday, November 21, 2016 Innisdale Secondary School 95 Little Ave. Barrie, ON L4N 2Z4

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Tuesday, November 29, 2016 First United Church 151 Lakeshore Road West Mississauga. ON L5H 1G3

For additional information about these projects, please visit metrolinx.com OR metrolinxengage.com

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All comments and feedback received will be documented and will help inform the Transit Project Assessment Process and the Environmental Project Reports that will be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

Comments Invited

Comments and information regarding these projects are being collected to assist in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. All personal information included in a submission – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, maintained and disclosed by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s. 37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact Georgina Collymore (contact information below) or the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1434.

For more information, or to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please contact: Georgina Collymore

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Metrolinx is working to provide residents and businesses in the GTHA with a transportation system that is modern, efficient and integrated. Find out more about Metrolinx's Regional Transportation Plan for the GTHA, as well as GO Transit, PRESTO and Union Pearson Express at metrolinx.com.

This Notice first issued on Monday, October 24, 2016.

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York libraries get \$70K for technology

Ontario is helping libraries by offering access to more technology.

Ontario is celebrating Public Library Week by funding three libraries and their boards in York Region, to the tune of \$70,000. The increased technology will help entice more people to engage in reading and learning at the local libraries, as well as support public training on topics such as social media, Internet use for beginners and computer literacy.

"Investing in our public libraries to improve digital and IT services will ensure communities can provide up-to-date technology that will enhance the learning experience for those who use this resource," said Vaughan MPP Steven Del Duca.

The investment will build library hubs that are essential spaces for access to cultural experiences, technology and community life.

— Samantha Maasland





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