

River Road Extension

From King Street to Manitou Drive, City of Kitchener Class Environmental Assessment

The Regional Municipality of Waterloo has completed a planning study in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act following the approved process for Schedule "C" projects under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment to consider the extension of River Road from King Street to Manitou Drive in the City of Kitchener. The Recommended Design Alternative includes the following key elements:

- 3.6 km, 4-lane road with a continuous centre median and multi-use trails on both sides between King Street and Manitou Drive;
- Signalized intersection at the intersection of River Road at King Street;
- Full movements, signalized intersection at the intersection of Stonegate Drive/ Hwy 8 WB ramps with closure of the existing intersection of Stonegate Drive at King Street except for right-turn entry only from King Street;
- Unsignalized intersections of River Road at Hidden Valley Road and at the Hwy 8 EB ramp;
- Roundabouts at the intersections of River Road at Wabanaki Drive north of Goodrich Drive, Goodrich Drive at Wabanaki Drive and at Wilson Avenue; and
- Bridges across Schneider Creek and across Hwy 8 with ramps to access on and off Hwy 8 northbound, toward Waterloo and to access onto Hwy 8 southbound toward Cambridge.

By this Notice, the Environmental Study Report (ESR) is being placed on the public record. Subject to comments received as a result of this Notice, and receipt of necessary approvals, the project may proceed to construction in 2017.

The ESR will be available for public review from June 13, 2014 to July 31, 2014, both dates inclusive, at the following locations:

The Regional Municipality of Waterloo Clerk's Office 150 Frederick Street, 2nd Floor Kitchener, Ontario N2G 4J3

Office of the City Clerk Kitchener City Hall 200 King Street West, 2nd Floor Kitchener, Ontario Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. Phone: 519-575-4420

Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. Phone: 519-741-2286

Interested persons may provide written comments to the Regional Clerk. If concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the Region of Waterloo, a person or party may request that the Minister of Environment make an order (referred to as a Part II Order) for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act which addresses individual environmental assessments.

Requests for a Part II Order must be received by the Minister, at the address below, no later than Thursday, July 31, 2014. The request to the Minister must be copied to the Region's Project Manager. If no request is received, the Region of Waterloo intends to proceed with detailed design and construction of this project.

Minister of Environment, 77 Wellesley Street West, 11th Floor, Ferguson Block, Toronto, Ontario M7A 2T5



Please direct any enquiries with regard to this project to:

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