

**ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE
NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT**

**Highway 401 Improvements from Steeles Avenue in Milton westerly to 1.5km west of the
Halton-Wellington Boundary
GWP 2030-23-00**

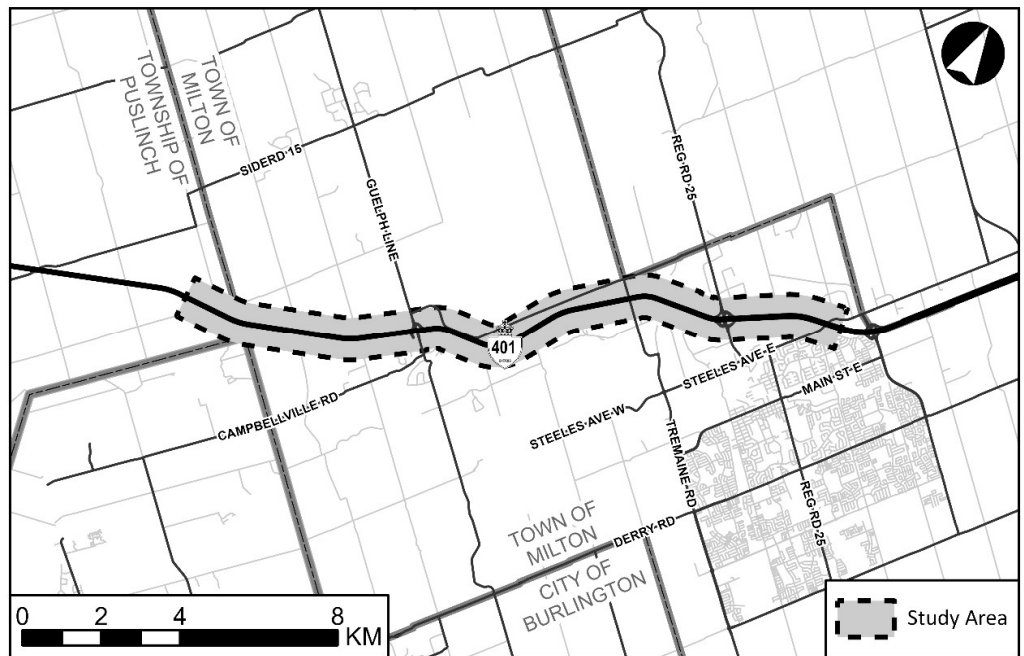
PRELIMINARY DESIGN & CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY

THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained AECOM Canada Ltd. (AECOM) to undertake a Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for improvements to Highway 401 from Steeles Avenue in Milton westerly to 1.5 km west of the Halton-Wellington Boundary. The Project is located within the Town of Milton, Halton Region and the Township of Puslinch, The County of Wellington. The Project's Study Area is shown in the key map below. This Study includes the consideration of potential improvements along the Highway 401 corridor to address both existing and long-term transportation and operational needs within the Study Area. Possible improvements that will be investigated as part of this Study include additional capacity expansion, High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes, and bridge, illumination, drainage, and interchange modifications.

THE PROCESS

This Project will follow the approved planning process for a Group 'B' project under the MTO *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (Class EA, amended 2000). Alternatives will be generated and evaluated based on technical and environmental factors. The Project Team will assess environmental impacts and determine mitigation measures to be carried forward for the subsequent Detail Design phase of the Project. Upon Study completion, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be prepared and available for a 30-day public comment period.



HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Two Public Information Centres (PICs) will be held during this Project to provide interested parties with the opportunity to discuss the Project and provide comments to the Project Team. Notifications advising the time of and how to join the PICs and of the availability of the TESR for the comment period will be published in local newspapers, distributed to the Project contact list, and made available on the Project website.

For up-to-date information, or to participate in the Study, please visit the Project website or contact the Project Team directly by e-mail or telephone.

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Comments are being collected to assist MTO in meeting the requirements of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. This material will be maintained on file for use during the Study and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. F.31*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact the Project Team as listed above.