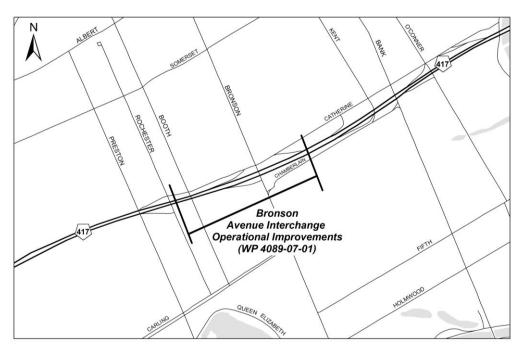
NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT HIGHWAY 417 BRONSON AVENUE INTERCHANGE OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS. **DETAIL DESIGN (WP 4089-07-01)**

THE STUDY

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained McCormick Rankin (MRC), a member of MMM Group Limited, to complete design detail operational improvements to the Highway 417 Bronson Avenue Interchange 4089-07-01). The project involves the following components:

 Modifications to the eastbound off-ramp at Avenue Bronson to lengthen the ramp and provide additional vehicle storage, including widening the Booth Street Highway 417 overpass structure;



- Local realignment of
- Chamberlain Avenue to the north, to be opposite the eastbound off-ramp;
- Modifications to the eastbound off-ramp where it intersects with Bronson Avenue;
- Construction of related works including: retaining walls, roadside protection, noise barriers, drainage works, utility relocations, illumination and traffic signal modifications;
- Continuous intermediate-term lane reductions (two to three months) on Highway 417 eastbound;
- Short-term lane reductions (one to four weeks) on Bronson Avenue and Chamberlain Avenue to tie in the new construction: and
- Nightly closure of the Highway 417 eastbound off-ramp.

THE PROCESS

This project is following the approved environmental planning process for Group "B" undertakings under the Ministry of Transportation's Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000), with the opportunity for public input throughout the project.

The preliminary design was documented in a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) which received environmental clearance in 2008. A Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held to present findings and provide stakeholders with an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed detail design. Notices will be published in local newspapers in advance of the PIC to advertise the time, date and location of the meeting. Upon completion of the detail design, a Design and Construction Report (DCR) will be prepared and filed for a 30-day public review period. A Notice of DCR Submission will be published in local newspapers at that time to explain the review process and identify locations where the DCR can be reviewed.

COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have regarding this study. If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments, please contact the Consultant Project Manager or MTO Senior Project Engineer listed below or visit the project website at www.queenswayexpansioneast.com.

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Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA). With the exception of personal information, all comments will be part of the public record.

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