Notice of Study Completion

Preliminary Design & Class Environmental Assessment Study Highway 11 - From Sand Dam Road Northerly for 13.8 km to Ellsmere Road, GWP 5151-21-00

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has undertaken a Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Highway 11 from Sand Dam Road northerly to Ellsmere Road for a total length of approximately 13.8 km, located within the Townships of Merrick, Blyth, Notman and Lyman in the Territorial District of Nipissing. The study looks to reconstruct/reconfigure and widen Highway 11 to accommodate a 2+1 facility, rehabilitate other elements of the highway including frost heaves and pavement distress areas, and complete various operational improvements.

Following the development and evaluation of a number of alternatives, a Recommended Plan has been developed to accommodate the 2+1 facility, turnaround type and locations as well as address operational needs within the study limits. The Recommended Plan includes the addition of passing lanes and turnaround infrastructure, as well as a median barrier system.

THE PROCESS

This study was completed in accordance with the approved planning process for a Group 'B' project under the MTO Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (amended 2000). The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) has been prepared to document the environmental assessment process completed and to advise that the TESR will be available for a 30-day comment period from June 4, 2025, to July 4, 2025.

The TESR is available on the study website at https://highway11pilot.ca/documents-links/ and in person at the following locations:

Municipality of Temagami 7 Lakeshore Drive Temagami, ON POH 1K0 tel: 705-569-3421 Mon-Fri: 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

City of Temiskaming Shores 325 Farr Drive Haileybury, ON POJ 1KO tel: 705-672-3363 Mon-Fri: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Ministry of Transportation
Northeast Region
447 McKeown Avenue
North Bay, ON P1B 9S9
tel: 705-472-7900
Mon-Fri: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

COMMENTS

You are encouraged to participate in the study and to provide comments in writing to the study team. To obtain additional information or provide comments, please visit the project website at https://highway11pilot.ca/or contact one of the Project Team members as follows:

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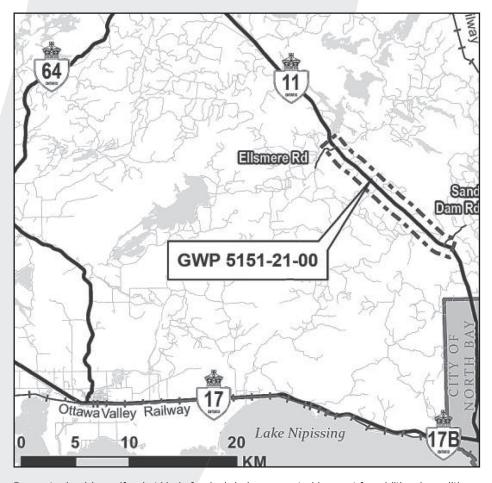
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REQUESTS TO THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION AND PARKS

In addition, a request may be made to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order requiring a higher level of study (i.e., requiring a comprehensive EA approval before being able to proceed), or that conditions be imposed (e.g., require further studies), only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests on other grounds will not be considered. Requests should include the requester contact information and full name for the ministry.



Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (request for additional conditions or a request for a comprehensive environmental assessment), how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy those potential adverse impacts, and any information in support of the statements in the request. This will ensure that the ministry is able to efficiently begin reviewing the request.

The request should be sent in writing or by email to the following with a copy to the Ministry of Transportation Project Manager as listed above:

Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks 777 Bay Street, 5th Floor Toronto, ON M7A 2J3 minister.mecp@ontario.ca Director Environmental Assessment Branch

Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks 135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor Toronto, ON M4V 1P5 EABDirector@ontario.ca

Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. 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 study, please contact the Project Team as listed above.

