

May 22, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

**RE: Notice of Public Information Centre 1  
Highway 401 Improvements from Steeles Avenue in Milton westerly  
to 1.5 km west of the Halton-Wellington Boundary (GWP 2030-23-00)  
Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study  
Ontario Ministry of Transportation**

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The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained AECOM Canada ULC (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, County of Wellington. The Project's Study Area is shown on the enclosed Notice of Public Information Centre 1.

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. Improvements that are being investigated as part of this Study include, but are not limited to, highway expansion to provide additional capacity, High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes, and bridge, illumination, drainage, and interchange modifications.

This Project is following 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 potential 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.

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of Public Information Centre 1 (PIC 1). PIC 1, the first of two PICs for this Project, has been scheduled as an online event. The purpose of PIC 1 is to present The Project's Study Area and scope and provide updates on the Environmental Assessment Study and Preliminary Design progress. The PIC will provide an overview of the Project's key objectives, developed alternatives and the proposed evaluation criteria. The Project Team welcomes your input on the presented material. The online PIC will be held as follows:

**Date:** The PIC materials will be available online for comment from May 29 to June 25, 2025, with a Live Event scheduled for June 12 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Eastern Standard Time (EST).

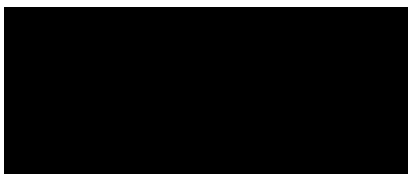
**Where:** Registration is required to participate in the Live Event for PIC 1 and can be completed at any time before the Live Event on the Project Website (<https://highway401milton.ca/>). A Zoom link with call-in details will be provided once registered.

## Comments

Comments can be submitted on the PIC materials anytime to the Project Team from May 29 to June 25, 2025, by submitting the PIC 1 Comment Form available on the Project website (<https://highway401milton.ca/>). 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*. Except for personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. If there are any accessibility requirements to participate in this project, please contact one of the Project Team members identified in the enclosed notice.

Sincerely,

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Encl. Notice of Public Information Centre 1

**ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE**  
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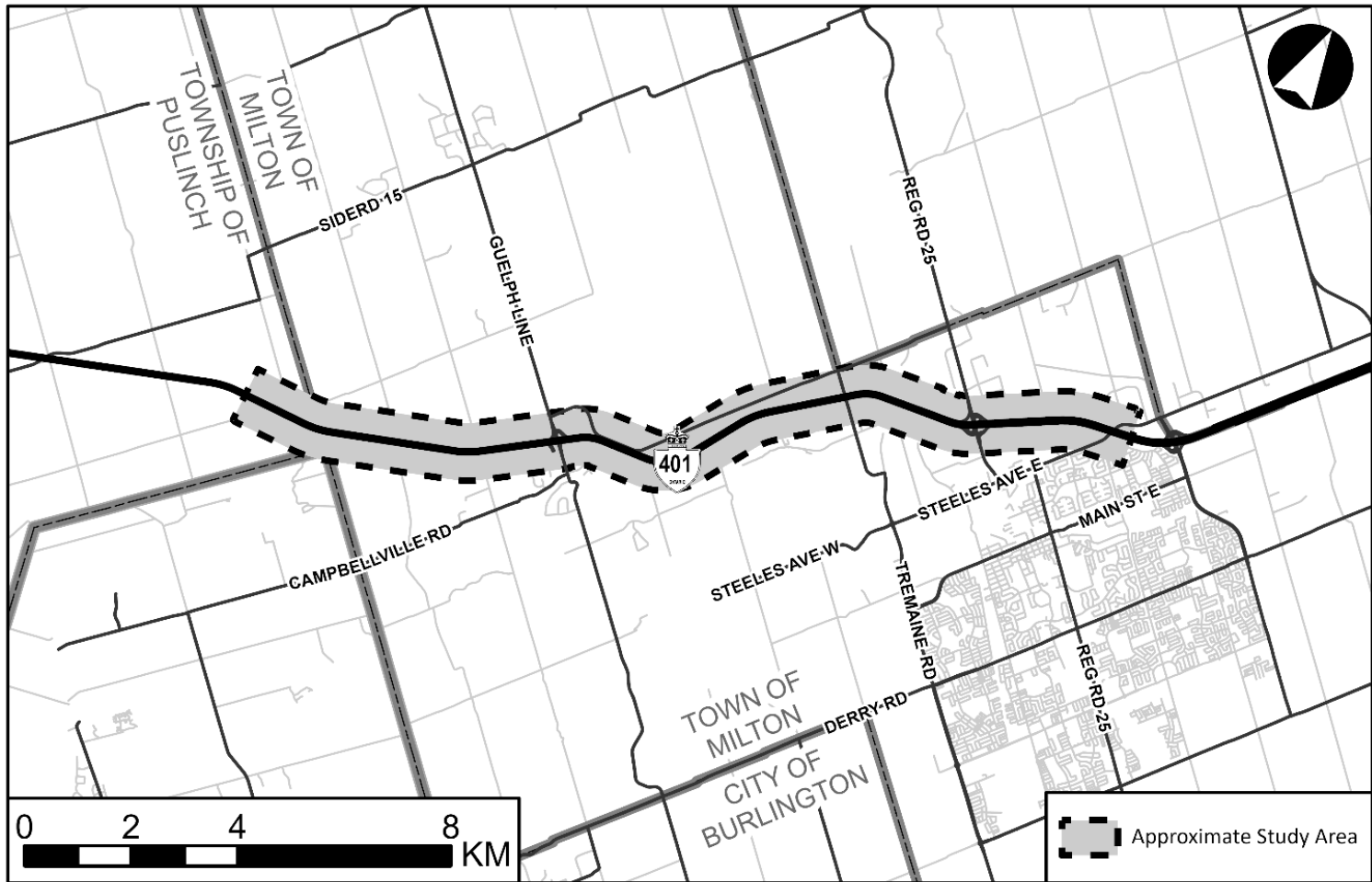
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**THE STUDY**

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**THE PROCESS**

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## **PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE 1 (ONLINE)**

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## **CONTACT US**

To obtain additional information or to be placed on the Project's contact list, please contact the Project Team via one of the methods below:

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