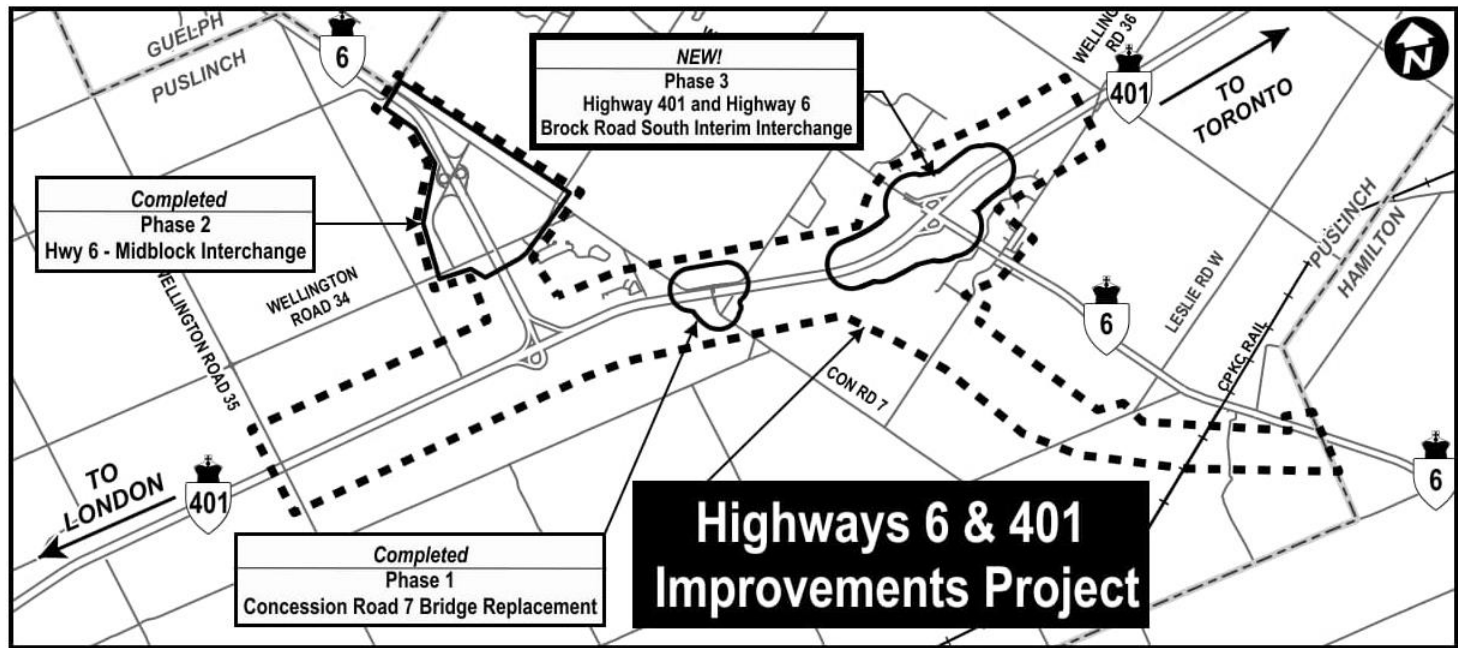


NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT
HIGHWAY 401 & HIGHWAY 6/BROCK ROAD SOUTH INTERIM INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS
PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (G.W.P. 3041-23-00)

THE PROJECT

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is moving forward with Phase 3 of Highways 6 and 401 Improvements from Hamilton north limits to Guelph south limits (G.W.P. 3042-14-00). This includes the Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for Highway 401 & Highway 6/Brock Road South Interim Interchange Improvements (G.W.P. 3041-23-00) (The Project). The Project will address the required replacement of the Highway 6/Brock Road South underpass structure, which is approaching the end of its service life, and examine interim improvements to the Highway 401 and Highway 6/Brock Road South Interchange. Reasonable alternatives to address interim interchange improvements will be developed and evaluated leading to the selection of a preferred alternative. The project limits are located within the Township of Puslinch, Wellington County.



THE PROCESS

The Project is following the approved planning process for a Group ‘B’ project in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities and Municipal Expressways (2024). The Project will build upon the findings of the 2012 Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for the Highway 401 from 1.0km west of Hespeler Road Easterly to the Wellington County/Halton Region Boundary project (G.W.P. 8-00-00) which identified the ultimate configuration of the Highway 401 & Highway 6/Brock Road South Interchange.

A Virtual Public Information Centre will be held to provide interested parties with the opportunity to review the progress of the Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study and provide input to the Project Team.

A Transportation Environmental Study Report will be available for a 30-day comment period at the completion of the study to document the details of the recommended plan, environmental effects, proposed mitigation measures, and a summary of consultation undertaken throughout the study.

Notification of the Virtual Public Information Centre and availability of the Transportation Environmental Study Report for comment will be published in local newspapers and mailed to those on the Project’s contact list.

Following the completion of the Transportation Environmental Study Report, the project will move to Detailed Design and Construction. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2027 and last for two years.

COMMENTS

To obtain additional information, provide comments, or to be placed on the Project’s contact list, please visit the Project’s website at <http://Highways6and401HamiltontoGuelph.ca> or contact the Project Team as follows:

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We are committed to ensuring that government information and services are accessible for all Ontarians. For communication support or to request project material in an alternate format, please contact one of the project team members listed above. Comments and information will be collected to assist MTO in meeting the requirements of the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.