

Notice of Completion – Design and Construction Report

Highway 401 Five Structure Replacements, Highbury Avenue Interchange Improvements, and Highway 401 Pavement Rehabilitation from 0.7 km east of Wellington Road South easterly to 0.6 km west of Old Victoria Road

Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study

Contract 2022-3004 (GWP 3032-11-00)

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained **Stantec Consulting Ltd. and Dufferin Construction Company** to complete the Design-Build (DB) contract for the Class Environmental Assessment (EA), detail design and construction of five Highway 401 structure replacements, Highbury Avenue interchange improvements, and Highway 401 pavement rehabilitation, in the City of London, Middlesex County.

A Design and Construction Report (DCR) has been prepared to summarize the recommended plan, which includes the following improvements:

- Replacement of CNR Overhead Structure, Pond Mills Road Overpass, Highbury Avenue Underpass, Tributary to Murray Drain Culvert, and Elliot-Laidlaw Drain Culvert
- Resurfacing / reconstruction of Highway 401 from 675m east of Wellington Road easterly to 630m west of Old Victoria Road
- Widening and grade raise of Highway 401 in the area of Pond Mills Overpass and CNR Overhead
- Addition of a continuous speed change lane eastbound and westbound between Wellington Road and Highbury Avenue
- Reconstruction of the interchange ramps at Highbury Avenue
- Reconstruction and widening of Highbury Avenue from the north limit of the interchange southerly to Wilton Grove Road
- Storm sewer replacement, culvert replacement and stormwater management measures
- Replacement of median barrier, new high mast lighting, overhead signs and safety upgrades

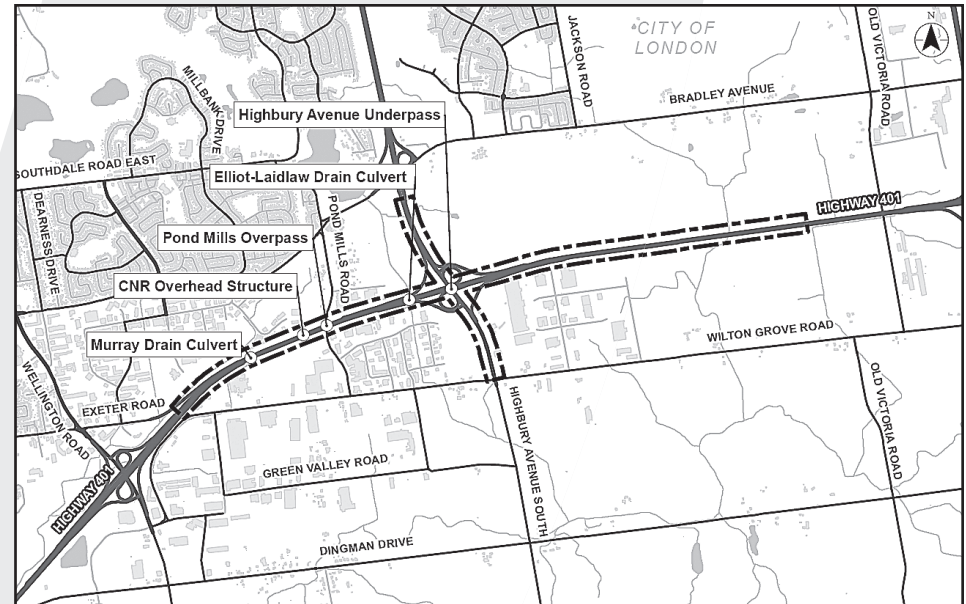
Construction staging has been developed to minimize traffic disruptions. Short-duration and long-duration lane reductions on Highway 401 and Highbury Ave will be required along with long-duration ramp closures. Pond Mills Road at Highway 401 will be closed during the construction season for three (3) construction seasons and detours will be provided.

Upon completion of the DCR review period, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA and will proceed to construction. Construction is anticipated to commence in Spring 2023 subject to approvals.

This study followed the approved planning process for Group 'B' projects under the MTO Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000). **The DCR is available for a 30-day public comment period beginning January 24, 2023 and ending on February 24, 2023.** The document is available electronically on the Project Website: www.hwy401highbury.ca/documentation.html

Interested persons may provide written comments to the project team by February 24, 2023. Please visit our project website at www.hwy401highbury.ca to obtain additional information about the project or to provide comments. Comments can also be emailed to comments@hwy401highbury.ca

All comments and concerns should be sent directly to the project team members listed below:



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Outstanding concerns are to be directed to the proponents listed above for a response, unless the outstanding concerns are regarding potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, in which case Section 16 requests on these matters should be addressed in writing to:

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We are committed to ensuring that government information and services are accessible for all Ontarians. For communication supports or to request project information in an alternate format, please contact one of the preceding Study Team members. 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. Version française disponible en composant le 613 722-4420. (Angelo Renon).

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