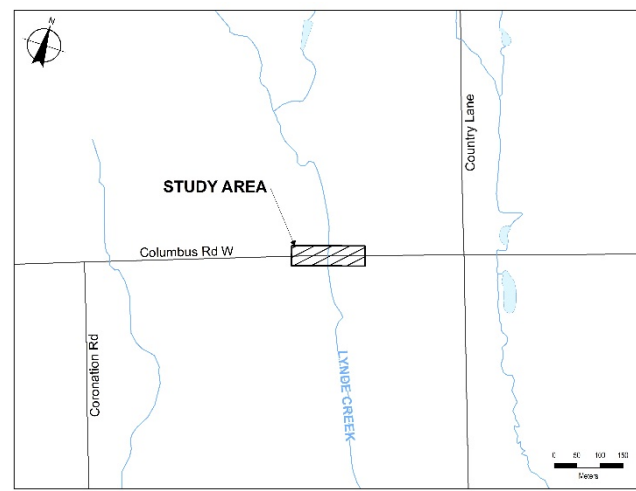


Revised Notice of Completion

Filing of Addendum to the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Reconstruction of White's Bridge on Columbus Road west of Country Lane (Schedule B)

Background:

In November 2011, the Town of Whitby (Town) completed a Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Environmental Assessment) for the replacement of White's Bridge on Columbus Road west of Country Lane (Notice of Completion issued November 25, 2011). Full reconstruction of the existing bridge was considered to be the best solution to address safety issues, and maintain the viability of the road as an important Municipal arterial route for the movement of traffic.



Proposed Modifications to the Project:

The preferred solution does not change from the 2011 evaluation. **Alternative 3 – Bridge Reconstruction** remains the preferred solution as it has the greatest overall benefit, most importantly to address safety. The Town undertook a review of the findings from the 2011 report to re-evaluate the various profile (vertical alignment) and centerline (horizontal alignment) alternatives that were originally considered within the current environmental setting as well as to guide future detailed design. The evaluation re-confirmed the vertical profile for the 2011 Project File Report (PFR) and recommends a horizontal alignment that maintains the existing centerline of Columbus Road and will be developed initially as a two lane bridge, but constructed to accommodate the ultimate future four lane bridge cross section.

Addendum Process:

In accordance with the Municipal Engineers Association Class EA process, "if the period of time from filing of the Notice of Completion to the proposed commencement of construction for the project exceeds ten (10) years, the proponent shall review the planning and design process to ensure that the project and the mitigating measures are still valid given the current planning context". With this in mind, there are permits and approvals that are required which will not allow the Town to be in a position to commence construction prior to the 10 year time lapse. The Town has prepared this Addendum which describes the details and justification for the proposed changes as

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well as a description of the current environmental setting. This Addendum and the original PFR are available for an extended 40-day public viewing period to provide additional review time that falls over the holidays. The review period is between **December 7, 2020** and **January 15, 2021** and the documentation will be posted on the Town's website at whitby.ca/whitesbridge.

It should be noted that only the proposed changes outlined in this Addendum are subject to review. The comments, including any issues or concerns, should be sent first to GHD Limited for potential resolution. During the extended 40 calendar day review period, if there are outstanding concerns that the Project may adversely impact constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, which cannot be resolved in discussion with the Town, then a person or party may request that the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks make an order for the Project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act. Requests on other grounds will not be considered. This is referred to as a Part II Order, which addresses Individual Environmental Assessments.

Please address the Part II Order request in writing to each of the following three individuals:

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