



East Bayfront Transit Environmental Assessment Notice of Completion of Environmental Study Report

The Study

The TTC and the City of Toronto, in collaboration with Waterfront Toronto, have completed a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the provision of transit services in the East Bayfront development area. The study was undertaken initially as an Individual Environmental Assessment study. Following the Minister of the Environment's approval of a Municipal Class EA process for transit projects, the study was completed in accordance with the requirements for Schedule "C" projects under the Municipal Class EA. City of Toronto Council, at its meeting of September 30 and October 1, 2009, approved the formal filing of the Environmental Study Report (ESR), which documents the evaluation and decision-making process used to reach the recommendations of the study.

Recommendation

The recommendation, as documented in the ESR, is the construction of a dedicated streetcar right-of-way on Queens Quay Boulevard from Bay Street to Parliament Street through the East Bayfront development area with connections, ultimately, to planned streetcar services in the West Don Lands and the Port Lands areas.

The recommended design includes:

- A new streetcar tunnel under Queens Quay Boulevard between Bay Street and Freeland Street with a tunnel portal within the road right-of-way between Yonge Street and Freeland Street
- A partially-exclusive transit right-of-way on the south side of Queens Quay Boulevard East between Freeland Street and Parliament Street
- One traffic lane in each direction on Queens Quay Boulevard East with auxiliary turn lanes at each intersection
- Expanded pedestrian zone and public realm south of the transit right-of-way
- Provision of an off-street multi-purpose Martin Goodman Trail within the expanded public realm
- Prohibition of the following turn movements on Queens Quay Boulevard East: westbound left turns at Richardson Street; eastbound right turns at Freeland Street and Lower Sherbourne Street
- An expansion of the Union Station Streetcar Loop to accommodate existing and future transit services in the waterfront areas
- An interim streetcar loop at Parliament Street in the east end of the East Bayfront development area
- Provision for future extension through the Lower Don Lands and the Port Lands areas

Opportunities for Review

By way of this notice the ESR is hereby placed on the public record and is available for review at the following locations in the City of Toronto:

Toronto City Hall

City Clerk's Office
100 Queen Street West
12th Floor, West Tower
Mon. - Fri: 8:30am to 4:30pm

Toronto Transit Commission

General Secretary's Office
1900 Yonge Street, 7th Floor
Mon. - Fri.: 8:30am to 4:30pm

Waterfront Toronto

20 Bay Street
Suite 1310
Mon. - Fri.: 8:30am to 5:00pm

Parliament Street Library

269 Gerrard Street East
Mon. - Fri.: 9:00am to 8:30pm
Sat.: 9:00am to 5:00pm
Sun.: 1:30pm to 5:00pm

St. Lawrence Library

171 Front Street East
Mon.: 10:00am to 8:30pm
Tues./Thurs.: 12:30pm to 8:30pm
Wed./Fri.: 10:00am to 6:00pm
Sat.: 9:00am to 5:00pm

Queen/Saulter Library

765 Queen Street East
Tues./Thurs.: 12:30pm to 8:30pm
Wed./Fri.: 10:00am to 6:00pm
Sat.: 9:00am to 5:00pm

Ministry of the Environment

Central Region
5775 Yonge Street, 8th Floor
Mon-Fri: 8:30am to 4:30pm

In addition, the ESR can be downloaded from the project website at www.waterfronttoronto.ca

Anyone having concerns with this project may provide written comments to:

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If concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussions with the TTC, the City of Toronto, and Waterfront Toronto, any person or party may request the Minister of the Environment to issue a Part II Order, which would require the TTC, the City of Toronto, and Waterfront Toronto to carry out an Individual Environmental Assessment for this project. The Minister must receive Part II order requests in writing by **April 26, 2010** at the address below. A copy of the request must also be sent to Waterfront Toronto, at the address provided above. If no Part II Order requests are received by April 26, 2010 the project is considered approved and the TTC, the City of Toronto, and Waterfront Toronto may proceed with this project as outlined in the ESR.

The Honourable John Gerretsen
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