

First Nations Briefing and Information Session

Wednesday, July 5, 2006 9:00 am to 2:00 pm TWRC, 20 Bay Street, Suite 1310, Toronto, Ontario

Time	Item	Description
9:00 am - 11:00 am	Presentation of Waterfront Projects	Chris Glaisek, TWRC Vice President of Planning and Design, will greet attendees. Project Leaders will discuss major area projects including: • West Don Lands - Brad Searchfield • Lower Don River West Remedial Flood Protection Project Class Environmental Assessment – Ken Dion • Flood Protection: Bridge – Ken Dion Berm – Brad Searchfield • Don River Park – Melanie Hare • East Bayfront – Chris Glaisek • East of Parliament/Lower Don Roadway Environmental Assessment – Chris Glaisek • TTC-TWRC Waterfront Transit Environmental Assessments – Bill Dawson • Mouth of the Don Environmental Assessment – Ken Dion/Steve Willis • Port Lands Implementation Strategy – Melanie Hare • Lake Ontario Park – Chris Glaisek/Pina Mallozzi • Tommy Thompson Park – Nancy Gaffney • Commissioners Park – Karen Pitre • Western Beaches Watercourse Facility – Karen Pitre • Central Waterfront Promenade and Queens Quay Design – Chris Glaisek

11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Dialogue Session	 Kristin Jenkins will lead discussion to: Ensure on-going communication; and Receive comments and feedback regarding the studies underway.
12:00 noon - 12:30 pm	Luncheon at TWRC	Project Leaders will attend luncheon
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Tour of West Don Lands, East Bayfront and Port Lands	Bus tour Chris Glaisek, Kristin Jenkins, Ken Dion, Steve Willis





Chief Greg Cowie Hiawatha First Nation 123 Paudash Street R.R. #2 Keene, ON KOL 2GO

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Wang, Hank

From:Bricks, MikeSent:Monday, March 26, 2007 3:59 PMTo:Wang, HankSubject:FW: Waterfront Transit EAs - First Nations

From: Bill.Dawson@ttc.ca [mailto:Bill.Dawson@ttc.ca]
Sent: Mon 26/03/2007 3:56 PM
To: Bricks, Mike; Callan, Dennis
Cc: transit@towaterfront.ca; kjenkins@towaterfront.ca; jkelly@city.toronto.on.ca; tlaspa@toronto.ca; pdimascio@urbanstrategies.com; scott_thorburn@urscorp.com
Subject: Waterfront Transit EAs - First Nations

I received a phone message on Wednesday March 14 from the Alderville First Nations – here is a transcription of the message I received:

"Hello, this is Jodi Holmes. I am a Band Councillor from the Alderville Band Council. I am just replying to a letter that was sent to our Chief James Marsden and it is regarding the Waterfront Transit Environmental Assessments. I was just going to mention that you do not have to send us the packages showing all the anticipated designs. We just wanted to be kept informed and just to mention that any of this with our First Nation is not considered as consultation.

But anyway we don't have any major concerns right now or comments but we would like to keep informed on the various things that are happening. My name is Jodi Holmes, again, and the number at the Band Office is 905-352-2011. Thank you "

Please include this in the consultation record for the study.

As they are asking that we not provide them with detailed information about the study but to keep them informed of progress, I suggest that we keep them on the list for First Nations consultation but note on it that we should only send them notices of meetings etc. rather than packages of material to review.

I wasn't planning any more follow-up than this – but other suggestions would be appreciated!

 Bill Dawson

 Superintendent of Route and System Planning

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East Bayfront Transit EA Thursday, June 21, 2007 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm Novotel Hotel, Champagne Ballroom 45 The Esplanade, Toronto, Ontario

Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. for review of project display panels. Presentation will begin at 6:45 p.m. followed by a workshop discussion session.

In the event that you are unable to attend, we will forward you copies of the presentation and workshop materials when available. Additional details about the projects can be viewed on our Web page at <u>http://www.waterfrontoronto.ca</u> and go to "Current Projects".

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Regards,

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Encl.







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June 26, 2007

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June 26, 2007

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June 26, 2007

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Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians Ontario Environmental Assessment Act Fax Back Form

Date: July 13th

Bill Dawson Project Manager TTC/TWRC Transit EA Projects Toronto Transit Commission (416) 338 0400

Re:

TTC-TWRC Waterfront Transit Environmental Assessments – West Don Lands and East Bayfront Material from the First Workshops

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Our comments on documents produced under the current Environmental Assessment Act are as follows:

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Wang, Hank

From:	Bill.Dawson@ttc.ca
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Subject:	FW: TTC-TWRC Waterfront Transit Environmental Assessment – East Bayfront Public Workshop #2

Here is another piece of correspondence from a First Nation about the last east Bayfront Public meeting. Please include it in the consultation record for the projects. Thanks,

Bill Dawson Superintendent of Route and System Planning Service Planning Department Toronto Transit Commission

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-----Original Message----- **From:** Adriana Poulette [mailto:apoulette@aiai.on.ca] **Sent:** September 6, 2007 10:53 AM **To:** Dawson, Bill **Subject:** TTC-TWRC Waterfront Transit Environmental Assessment – East Bayfront Public Workshop #2

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