

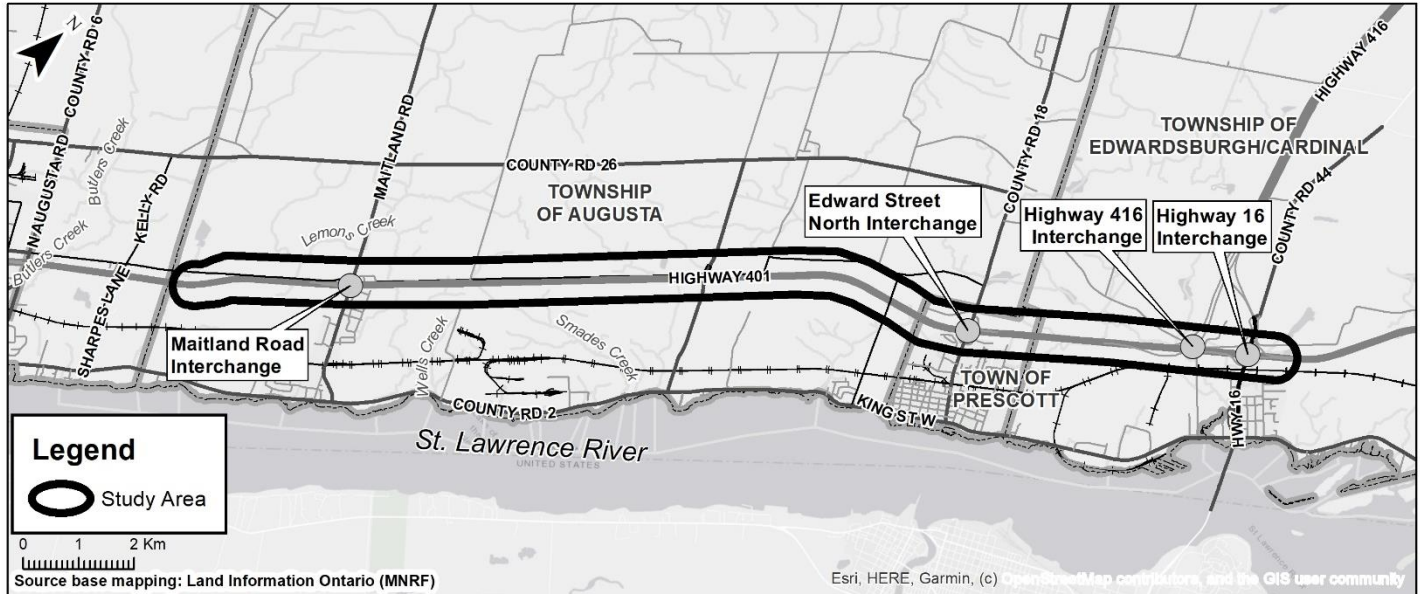
# NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #1

## HIGHWAY 401 IMPROVEMENTS FROM 1 KM EAST OF HIGHWAY 16 TO 3.3 KM WEST OF MAITLAND ROAD

### PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY (GWP 4024-20-00)

#### THE PROJECT

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained AECOM to undertake a Planning, Preliminary Design, and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study for Highway 401 from 1 km east of Highway 16 to 3.3 km west of Maitland Road for a total length of approximately 20.75 km, located within the Township of Augusta, Town of Prescott, and the Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal. The study will look to address current and future transportation needs by developing a plan for the rehabilitation and/or replacement of 10 bridges & 4 structural culverts, determining the long-term plans for the Maitland Road, Edward Street and Highway 16 interchanges, and will establish the future footprint for interim six lanes and ultimate eight lanes of Highway 401.



#### THE PROCESS

This study is following the approved planning process for a Group 'B' project in accordance with the *MTO Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)*. A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be prepared to document the study process including the evaluation of alternatives, the Recommended Plan, environmental effects and proposed mitigation measures as well as the consultation undertaken throughout the process. Upon completion of this study, the TESR will be made available for a 30-day public comment period. The release of the TESR for review will be the subject of a future notice.

#### ONLINE PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #1

The first of two Public Information Centres (PIC) is being held to present and receive feedback on the study background, existing study area conditions, preliminary improvement alternatives, the evaluation process and to outline the next steps in the Class EA process. In light of COVID-19 and the associated physical distancing requirements for the foreseeable future, PIC #1 will be hosted virtually through the project website at [www.Highway401prescottmaitland.ca](http://www.Highway401prescottmaitland.ca). The PIC material will be available for review and comment beginning **December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021** with a recorded presentation available until **January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022**.

#### COMMENTS

You are encouraged to participate in the study and to provide comments in writing to the study team. To provide comments, obtain additional information, or to be placed on the mailing list for this project, please visit the project website at <https://www.highway401prescottmaitland.ca/contact-us/> or contact one of the following Project Team members:

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There is an opportunity at any time during the study for interested persons to submit comments and identify concerns to the Project Team in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. This material will be maintained on file for use during the study and may be included in project documentation. 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. If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact the Project Team as listed above. Renseignements en français disponibles en composant le 1-(705)-669-4709 (Amy Ingriselli) ou [amy.ingriselli@aecom.com](mailto:amy.ingriselli@aecom.com)