

# NOTICE OF FILING – ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT ADDENDUM

## Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Highway 11/17 Four-Laning from Coughlin Road to Red Rock Road #9

### THE STUDY

The Ontario **Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** retained **WSP** to undertake the Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the four-lane expansion of Highway 11/17 from 800 m west of Coughlin Road to Red Rock Road #9.

The project includes:

- Expansion of Highway 11/17 to four lanes on a new highway alignment;
- Improvements / modifications to select intersecting side-roads; and
- Two new bridges across the Black Sturgeon River.

In 1997, an Environmental Study Report (ESR) was prepared to document the proposed plans to four-lane this portion of Highway 11/17. The project was approved and subsequently the four-lane highway corridor was designated (protected) in 2003.

### ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT ADDENDUM

MTO is proposing a number of changes to the 1997 EA Approved four-lane plan and has prepared an Addendum to the 1997 Environmental Study Report (ESR). The proposed changes include: a realignment of the east end connection to the existing Highway 11/17 and removal of the east end median crossing, widening the proposed right-of-way from 90 m to 110 m (minimum), and relocation of Coughlin Road to the east by 35 m.

### THE PROCESS

This study is following the approved planning process for Group 'B' projects under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)*. In accordance with the Class EA, this Addendum to the original ESR has been prepared to document the proposed changes. The ESR Addendum is available for review at the following locations:

**Red Rock Public Library**  
Front Desk  
42 Salls Street  
Red Rock, ON

**Township of Dorion**  
170 Dorion Loop Road  
Dorion, ON

**Dorion Public Library**  
Front Desk  
170 Dorion Loop Road  
Dorion, ON

**Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change**  
Thunder Bay Regional Office  
435 James Street South, Suite 331  
Thunder Bay, ON

The report and additional study information is also available on the project website at [www.hwy11-17-coughlintoredrock9.com](http://www.hwy11-17-coughlintoredrock9.com).

The Addendum will be available for a 30-day review period beginning **Tuesday, March 27, 2018**. If after consulting with ministry staff and consultants, you have serious unresolved concerns, you may request a Part II Order ("bump-up") from the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (77 Wellesley Street West, 11th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 2T5). Opportunities for requesting a Part II Order are only applicable to changes documented in the Addendum.

A copy of your request should also be forwarded to the Ministry of Transportation at the address below. If there are no outstanding concerns received by **Thursday, April 26, 2018** the project will proceed to Detail Design.

### COMMENTS

We are interested in any comments or concerns you may have regarding the Addendum and study. Please submit your comments and/or concerns to one of the individuals listed below by **Thursday, April 26, 2018**.

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Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments will be maintained on file for use during the study and, with the exception of personal information, may be included in study documentation and become part of the public record.

