

March 11, 2024

To Whom it May Concern,

**Re: Notice of Study Commencement (GWP 4027-23-00)
Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment for Highway 401
Cranberry Road Underpass (Site # 21X-0229-B0) and Highway 401 County
Road 28 Underpass (Site #21X-0232/B0)**

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained the services of Egis and LEA Consulting Ltd. Joint Venture (Egis/LEA JV) to carry out the Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for soffit and fascia repairs on the Highway 401 Cranberry Road/Victoria Street North Underpass (Site 21X-0229/B0) and Highway 401 County Road 28/Ontario Street Underpass (Site #21X-0232/B0), in Port Hope. A key map showing the location of the study area has been enclosed.

The project also includes resurfacing and asphalt patching of the existing Highway 401 eastbound and westbound lane from 300m west of County Road 28/Toronto Road to 350m west of County Road 28/Ontario Street, the interchange ramps at County Road 28/Toronto Road and the commuter parking lot located at the Toronto Road interchange.

It is anticipated that construction operations may require ramp closures for up to three (3) days. Traffic will be reduced to a single lane in each direction on Highway 401. Advanced signing will be placed in strategic locations advising motorists of any ramp and/or lane closures. Construction is anticipated to commence in 2024, pending funding and approvals.

The project is following an approved planning process under the Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000) for a Group 'C' project. Upon completion of the study, an Environmental Screening Memorandum (ESM) will be prepared to document the existing natural and socio-economic environment, and to summarize design features, potential impacts of the undertaking and required mitigation measures.

We encourage you to contact one of the following MTO or Egis project team members if you have any comments or questions regarding this project:

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We would appreciate receiving any comments or questions you may have regarding this project by **April 10, 2024**.

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

If you have accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact one of the project team members listed above.

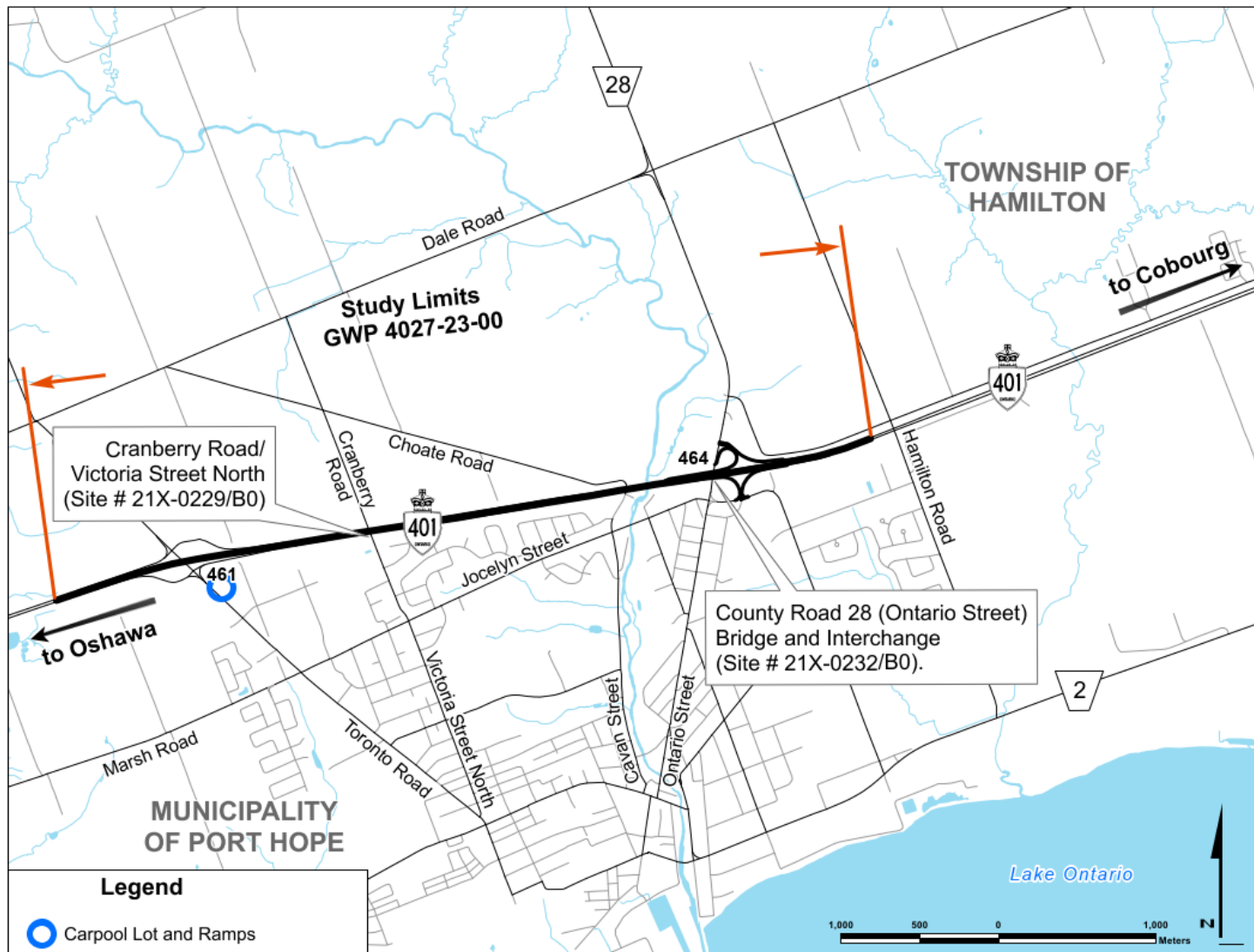
Sincerely,



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Encl. Study Area Key Map

cc. Lee Collins, MTO Project Manager
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Study Area Key Map