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February 1, 2013

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SUBJECT: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment – Notice of Commencement

In the summer of 2011, The City of Toronto, Transportation Services, conducted an audit of all the existing bikeway trails to develop Toronto's *Bikeway Trails Implementation Plan*. New trail connection opportunities were identified and evaluated based on existing conditions. The Plan recommended 77 km of new trails to be added to Toronto's existing 286 km of major multi-use trail system. One of the largest and most complex projects identified as a priority in the Plan was the East Don Trail

On June 6, 2012 City of Toronto Council approved the *Bikeway Trails Implementation Plan* and provided direction for Transportation Services, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) to undertake any Environmental Assessment Studies required for the potential East Don Trail.

The City of Toronto (the City), Transportation Services and Parks, Forestry, and Recreation departments with assistance by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) are initiating an Environmental Assessment (EA) to facilitate the creation of the East Don Trail. The East Don Trail would provide a key connection in the multi-use trail network between the north end of Charles Sauriol Conservation Area, the Gatineau Trail and the Lower Don Trail systems, in the City of Toronto. The intended purpose of this project is to create a key connection in the multi-use trail system, provide safe access to nature and recreational opportunities for the public, and to create a transportation corridor for cyclists.

The East Don Trail Project will be subject to the requirements of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act* as a project that necessitates an Environmental Assessment (EA). The first step of the East Don Trail EA will be to develop a Terms of Reference (ToR), which will guide how the EA decision-making and consultation process will be undertaken. A "Notice of Study Commencement" formally initiating the study appeared in the East York Mirror on Thursday, January 31, 2013 and in the North York Mirror South on Thursday, February 7, 2013.

The City and TRCA will host a Public Open House to introduce nearby residents and interested public to the study. The public event will take place on Wednesday February 13, 2013 at Blessed John 23rd Catholic School, in the City of Toronto. Please see attached notice for further information regarding the public event.

Further information on this project is available on the City of Toronto website:
<http://www.toronto.ca/eastdontrail/index.htm>

Should you wish to provide comment or have any questions at this time, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure – East Don Trail Project Brief
– East Don Trail EA Notice Flyer

cc: Daniel Egan, City of Toronto
Garth Armour, City of Toronto
Jennifer Hyland, City of Toronto
Maogosha Pyjor, City of Toronto
Wendy Strickland, City of Toronto
Laura Stephenson, TRCA
Deanna Cheriton, TRCA

EAST DON TRAIL PROJECT BRIEF

EAST DON TRAIL BACKGROUND

In 2012, City of Toronto prepared the multi-year *Bikeway Trails Implementation Plan* to identify specific links and installation priorities of the multi-use trail network. The Plan recommended adding 77 kilometres (km) of new bikeway trails to the existing 286 km trails network and was approved by City Council in June of 2012.

One of the largest and most complex projects included in the Bikeway Trails Implementation Plan is the East Don Trail. This trail system is proposed within the East Don River Corridor and would link the north end of Charles Sauriol Conservation Area, the Gatineau Trail and the Lower Don Trail systems. The intended purpose of this project is to create a key connection in the multi-use trail system, provide safe access to nature and recreational opportunities for the public, and to create a transportation corridor for cyclists.

City of Toronto; Transportation Services, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, and Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA) have been working in partnership on the development of the East Don Trail for several years. In 2011, a 2 km section of the East Don Trail was constructed at the north end of Charles Sauriol Conservation Area, from Lawrence Av East to Wynford Heights Crescent.

In May, 2012 with support from R.V. Anderson Associates Limited, City of Toronto and TRCA also completed a feasibility study for the remainder of the trail. The feasibility study concluded that a trail within the East Don Corridor was possible, while also accommodating the natural environment, public needs, and approval requirements. In order to determine the best trail route, further consultation, investigations and environmental studies were recommended.

The next step in realizing the completion of the East Don Trail will be a comprehensive planning and design process facilitated through an Environmental Assessment (EA).

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY AREA

The boundaries of the regional study area are Lawrence Avenue to the north, O'Connor Drive to the south, Victoria Park Avenue to the east, and Don Mills and Laird Drive to the west. The Regional Study Area contains multiple thruways: The Don Valley Parkway, Don Mills Road and Victoria Park Avenue running north/south; and Lawrence and Eglinton Avenues running east/west.



The Environmental Assessment (EA) process will identify and evaluate a range of alternatives to determine a preferred main trail route and community access points. The evaluation process will consider technical feasibility, terrestrial and aquatic impacts, social impacts, constructability, costs, operation, and maintenance. Consultation and discussion with affected agencies and landowners will be a pivotal part of the process in determining a preferred trail route.

The EA process for the East Don Trail will ensure that potential impacts on the environmentally sensitive East Don Valley Corridor, river crossings, flood and erosion risks are considered.

PROJECT CONTACT

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Project websites:

<http://www.toronto.ca/involved/projects/eastdontrail/index.htm>

East Don Trail:

Environmental Assessment Study

Notice of Commencement & Public Open House

The City of Toronto with Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA) are hosting a public event to introduce you to the East Don Trail Environmental Assessment study. The event will be a drop-in open house for viewing study materials and one-on-one discussions with members of the project team. We invite you to attend this event to learn more about the work completed to date, key challenges and opportunities, and ways the community can participate in the study.

Date: Wednesday, February 13th, 2013

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Place: Blessed John 23rd Catholic School

175 Grenoble Drive (East of Don Mills Road)



This venue is wheelchair accessible.
Please contact to arrange for additional accommodations.

Background

The City of Toronto and TRCA are investigating ways to construct a multi-use trail system within the East Don valley lands, as part of the *2012 multi-year Bikeway Trails Implementation Plan*. The proposed trail will provide a key connection between the north end of Charles Sauriol Conservation Area, the Lower Don Trail system, and Gatineau Corridor Trail.

The Process:

The East Don Trail EA study will be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act* providing opportunities for public input at key stages. The study will ensure that any potential impacts to the valley lands, river crossings, flood and erosion risks, and property ownership are considered.





*Existing footpath –
East Don Valley west of Northline Road*

We would like to hear from you:

Public consultation is an important part of this study. We are asking for your input to inform the East Don Trail EA study. Topics to discuss include:

- How and where you are utilizing the East Don valley lands
- Key areas of interest
- Challenges, opportunities, and other concerns
- How we can engage the community and provide opportunities for participation

You are invited to learn more and to share your insights and opinions at any time. For more information, please contact:

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Example of multi-use trail – High Park

www.toronto.ca/eastdontrail



January 24, 2013

Consultation and Accommodation Unit
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RE: Identification of Established or Potential Aboriginal and Treaty Rights for the East Don Trail Environmental Assessment

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), in partnership with the City of Toronto, is undertaking a project to develop a trail system within the corridor of the East Don River (a project brief is enclosed). The East Don Trail is a component of the Bikeway Trails Implementation Program that was initiated by Transportation Services of the City of Toronto. In consultation with the Ministry of the Environment and in accordance with the Environmental Assessment Act (EAA), TRCA will conduct this project as an Environmental Assessment (EA). All potential options will ensure compatibility with the surrounding physical, biological, social and cultural environment. The project boundaries are entirely within the City of Toronto. Enclosed is a map identifying the local and regional study area.

TRCA would appreciate assistance from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) to identify baseline information held by the AANDC on established or potential Aboriginal and treaty rights in the vicinity of the East Don Trail Project located in the City of Toronto. As the project is in its early stages, no contact has been made with any Aboriginal communities up to and including the date of this letter. We have, however, identified the following Aboriginal communities as requiring engagement during the EA process:

- Williams Treaty First Nations
- Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation
- Six Nations of the Grand River Territory
- Haudenosaunee Confederacy Chiefs Council
- Conseil de la Nation Huronne-Wendat
- Toronto and York Métis Council
- Credit River Métis Council
- Oshawa Métis Council
- Kawartha Nishnawbe First Nation

TRCA requests your assistance in identifying any additional communities, and comment on those listed above.

Sincerely,

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Daniel Egan, City of Toronto
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1. East Don Trail Environmental Assessment – Project Brief
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East Don Trail Environmental Assessment – Project Brief

Background

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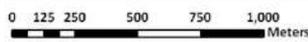
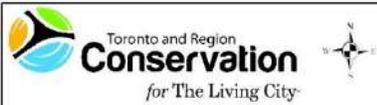
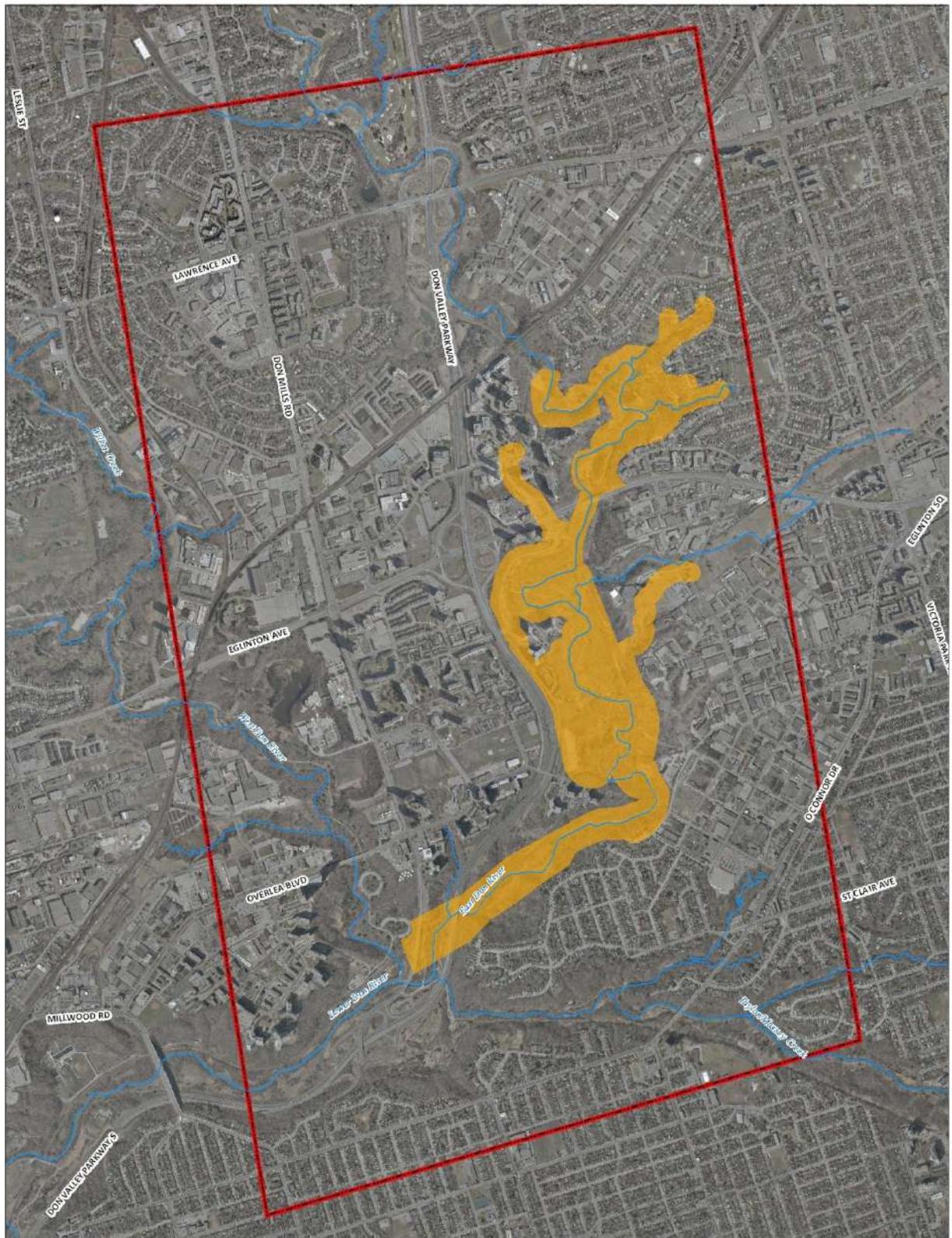
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In June 2012, Toronto and Region Conservation (TRCA) was provided with approval to partner with the City of Toronto for the lead role in the planning and design of the East Don Trail EA.

Project Description

The City of Toronto's Transportation Services and Parks, Forestry and Recreation divisions and TRCA have been working in partnership on the development of the East Don Trail for several years. The next step in realizing the completion of the East Don Trail will be a comprehensive planning and design process facilitated through an Environmental Assessment (EA). The proposed study area for the East Don Trail EA spans sections of City of Toronto Wards 26, 29, 31 and 34. A range of alternatives will be evaluated to determine a preferred main trail route and community access points. The evaluation process will consider technical feasibility, terrestrial and aquatic impacts, social impacts, constructability, costs, operation, and maintenance. This process will ensure that potential impacts on the environmentally sensitive East Don Corridor, river crossings, flood and erosion risks, and property ownership are considered.

A key component of the EA will be stakeholder consultation throughout the planning of the project providing opportunities for members of the general public, including affected landowners, public interest groups and any other interested parties, to offer recommendations on the development of the proposed trail and design proposals where appropriate.



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Study Areas, East Don Trails

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-  Watercourses
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January 24, 2013

Ms. Heather Levecque, Manager
Consultation Unit
Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs
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RE: Identification of Aboriginal Communities for East Don Trail Environmental Assessment

Dear Ms. Levecque

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), in partnership with the City of Toronto, is undertaking a project to develop a trail system within the corridor of the East Don River (a project brief is enclosed). The East Don Trail is a component of the Bikeway Trails Implementation Program that was initiated by Transportation Services of the City of Toronto. In consultation with the Ministry of the Environment and in accordance with the Environmental Assessment Act (EAA), TRCA will conduct this project as an Environmental Assessment (EA). All potential options will ensure compatibility with the surrounding physical, biological, social and cultural environment. The project boundaries are entirely within the City of Toronto. Enclosed is a map identifying the local and regional study area.

TRCA would appreciate assistance from the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs Consultation Unit to identify Aboriginal communities who may have interests or rights within our Project Study Area. As the project is in its early stages, a Notice of Intent has not yet been issued and no contact has been made with any Aboriginal communities up to and including the date of this letter. We have, however, identified the following Aboriginal communities as requiring engagement during the EA process:

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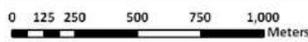
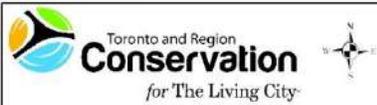
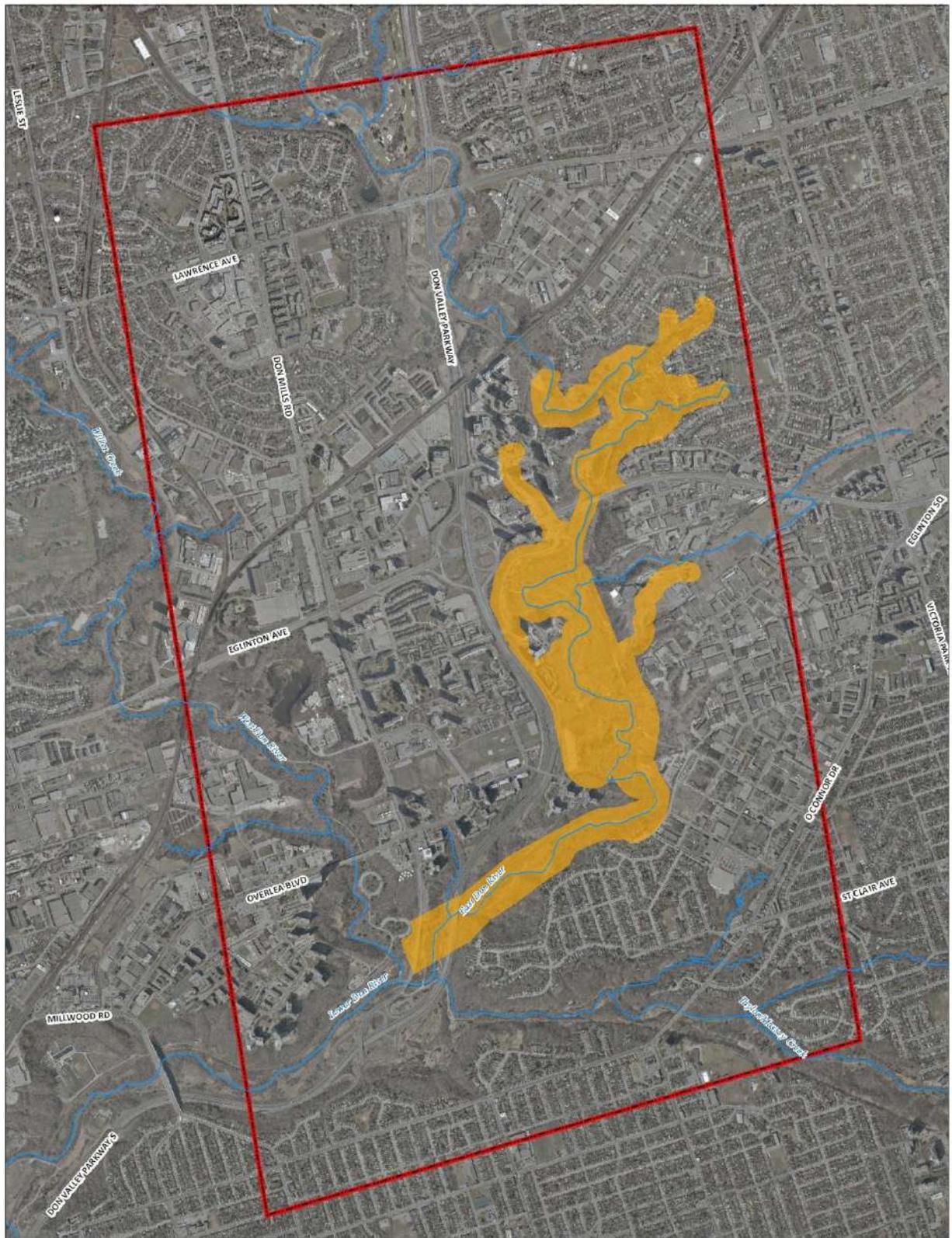
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From: [Burkart, Jackie \(MNR\)](#)
To: [Natalie Seniuk](#)
Subject: RE: East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Notice of Commencement and Pubic Information Centre
Date: 02/14/2013 12:07 PM

Hi Natalie,

The Don River East Branch, Don River West Branch and the Don River are within the study area. There are recent records for Butternut trees and Eastern Meadowlark within and immediately adjacent to the study area. These species receive protection under the *Endangered Species Act 2007*. The undertaking should avoid any negative impacts to these species. A permit may be required if any work you are proposing could cause harm to these species or their habitat. As you proceed through the EA we will require additional information to assess the impacts of your project to any species at risk. Prior to final route selection, MNR should be consulted if the preferred route has the potential to affect any species at risk.

This species at risk information is highly sensitive and is not intended for any person or project unrelated to this undertaking. Please do not include any specific information in reports that will be available for public record. As you complete your fieldwork in these areas, please report all information related to any species at risk to the Natural Heritage Information Centre and to our office. This will assist with updating our database.

Sincerely,

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From: Natalie Seniuk [mailto:NSeniuk@trca.on.ca]
Sent: February 8, 2013 12:00 PM
To: Burkart, Jackie (MNR)
Cc: Johnston, David P. (MNR); Ryan, Doug (MNR); vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca
Subject: RE: East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Notice of Commencement and Pubic Information Centre

Hello Jackie,

Please find the notice (as addressed to Doug Ryan) attached for your review and comment.

Kind regards,
Natalie

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To: Natalie Seniuk <NSeniuk@trca.on.ca>, "vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca" <vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca>,
Cc: "Johnston, David P. (MNR)" <David.P.Johnston@ontario.ca>, "Ryan, Doug (MNR)" <doug.ryan@ontario.ca>
Date: 02/08/2013 11:53 AM
Subject: RE: East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Notice of Commencement and Pubic Information Centre

Hi Natalie and Violetta,

Please provide details for the project/project area.

Thanks.

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Cc: Johnston, David P. (MNR); Burkart, Jackie (MNR)

Subject: RE: East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Notice of Commencement and Public Information Centre

Thank you Natalie,

Typically the Ministry provides comments on EA's through our District Offices. Accordingly I have copied this message to Jackie Burkart in our Aurora District office.

I trust this is satisfactory,

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Sent: February-08-13 8:51 AM
To: Ryan, Doug (MNR)
Subject: East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Notice of Commencement and Public Information Centre

Good morning Mr.Ryan,

Please be advised The City of Toronto (the City), Transportation Services and Parks, Forestry, and Recreation departments with assistance by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) are initiating an Environmental Assessment (EA) to facilitate the creation of the East Don Trail. The East Don Trail Project will be subject to the requirements of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. Please find a notice of commencement letter along with a project brief and notice regarding an upcoming public event attached for your information.

The City and TRCA will host a Public Open House to introduce nearby residents and interested public to the study. The public event will take place on Wednesday February 13, 2013 at Blessed John 23rd Catholic School, in the City of Toronto.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the attached notice, would like to be kept informed of the project process, or would like further information regarding the project **please contact the Project Manager, Violetta Tkaczuk at vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca or (416) 661-6600 ext.5755.**

Kind regards,

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Thank you."



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2 Attachments



RDIMS-#6077714-v2-NWP_APP_GUIDE_EN.PDF Application Form June 2012.pdf

Thank you for the information regarding the above referenced project. We have reviewed the information, and note the following:

Please update your correspondence list – Please remove Monique Mousseau and Linda Beaulieu and replace with:

Environmental Coordinator

Transport Canada - Ontario Region

4900 Yonge Street 4th Floor (PHE)

North York, ON

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Transport Canada is responsible for the administration of the *Navigable Waters Protection Act* (NWP), which prohibits the construction or placement of any “works” in navigable waters without first obtaining approval. If any of the related project undertakings cross or affect a potentially navigable waterway, the proponent should prepare and submit an application in accordance with the requirements as outlined in the attached Application Guide and Form. Any questions about the NWP application process should be directed to the Navigable Waters Protection Program at **(519) 383-1863** or NWPontario-PENontario@tc.gc.ca.

Please review the [Minor Works and Waters \(Navigable Waters Protection Act\) Order](#), established to outline the specific standards and criteria under which Transport Canada considers a work as a minor and does not require an application under the NWP. It is the responsibility of the applicant, prior to submitting an application to the Navigable Waters Protection Program for review, to assess whether their work meets the criteria, as described, and, therefore, falls within one of the excluded classes. An application will only be required if it is determined that the work cannot meet the criteria established for that particular “class” of excluded work.

Transport Canada is also responsible for inspecting and auditing federally regulated railway companies that are subject to the *Railway Safety Act*. Transport Canada also regulates some provincial shortlines from the Province of Ontario that are part of an Agreement between the Federal Government and the Province of Ontario. The *Railway Safety Act*, with related regulations and rules, provides the legislative and regulatory framework for safe railway operations in Canada. The rail safety program develops, implements and promotes safety policy, regulations, standards and research, and in the case of railway grade crossings, subsidizes safety improvements. A list of all the Rail Safety legislations (the *Act*, Regulations, Rules, Guidelines, Policies and Standards) that applies to the federally regulated railways, can be found here:

<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/railsafety/legislation.htm>

The *Act* also addresses the construction and alteration of railway works, the operation and maintenance

of railway equipment and certain non-railway operations that may affect the safety of federally regulated railways. If a proposed railway work is of a prescribed kind, pursuant to the *Notice of Railway Works Regulations*, the proponent shall not undertake the work unless it has first given notice of the work in accordance with the regulation. More information related to railway works is available at the following internet sites:

- *Railway Safety Act*: <http://www.tc.gc.ca/acts-regulations/acts/1985s4-32/menu.htm>
- *Notice of Railway Works Regulations*: <http://laws.justice.gc.ca/en/SOR-91-103/>
- *Standards Respecting Pipeline Crossings Under Railways*:
<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/railsafety/standards-tce10-236.htm>
- *Guideline on Requesting Approval to Undertake Certain Railway Works*:
<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/railsafety/guideline-283.htm>

General inquiries about the Rail Safety Program can be directed to RailSafety@tc.gc.ca or by calling 613-998-2985.

Please address future correspondence to the Environment and Engineering group to the undersigned address:

Thank you,

Environmental Coordinator, Transport Canada - Ontario Region (PHE)
4900 Yonge Street, North York, ON M2N 6A5 EnviroOnt@tc.gc.ca



RE: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Notice of Commencement
Campbell, Ellen [CEAA]

to:

vtkaczuk

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From: "Campbell, Ellen [CEAA]" <Ellen.Campbell@ceaa-acee.gc.ca>

To: <vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca>

February 22, 2013

Dear Ms. Tkaczuk:

RE: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment – Notice of Commencement

Thank you for your letter of February 1, 2013, related to the above-noted project.

As part of the Government's plan for Responsible Resource Development which seeks to modernize the regulatory system for project reviews, the former *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* was repealed when the new *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* (CEAA 2012) came into force on July 6, 2012.

The CEAA 2012 applies to projects listed in the *Regulations Designating Physical Activities*. Under CEAA 2012, the proponent must provide the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (the Agency) with a description of their proposed project if it is captured under the above-noted regulations.

For more information about CEAA 2012, please access the following links

<http://www.ceaa.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=16254939-1> and

<http://www.ceaa.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=9EC7CAD2-1>. You may also find the Guide to Preparing a Description of a Designated Project and the *Prescribed Information for a Description of a Designated Project Regulations* on the Agency website.

If it appears that CEAA 2012 applies to your proposed project or if you have questions, please contact the undersigned at 416-952-7006.

Sincerely,

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Subject: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment
Date: 05/10/2013 11:57 AM
Attachments: [EA Notice Letter 2013.pdf](#)
[East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

Please refer to attached documents for your information regarding potential impacts of IO lands.

Thank you,

Matthew Litner

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May 10, 2013

Thank you for circulating Infrastructure Ontario (formerly the Ontario Realty Corporation) on your Notice. Infrastructure Ontario (IO) is the strategic manager of the provincial government's real estate property with a mandate of maintaining and optimizing value of the portfolio, while ensuring real estate decisions reflect public policy objectives of the government.

As you may be aware, *IO is responsible for managing real estate property that is owned by Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Infrastructure (MOI)*. There is a potential that IO manages lands that fall within your study area. As a result, your proposal may impact IO managed properties and/or the activities of tenants present on IO-managed lands. In order to determine if IO property is within your study area, IO requires that the proponent of the project conduct a title search by reviewing parcel register(s) for adjoining lands, to determine the extent of ownership by MOI or it's predecessors (listed below) ownership. Please contact IO if any ownership of provincial government lands are known to occur within your study area and are proposed to be impacted. IO is obligated to complete due diligence for any realty activity on IO managed lands and this should be incorporated into all project timelines. IO managed lands can ***include within the title but is not limited to*** variations of the following: Her Majesty the Queen/King, OLC, ORC, Public Works, Hydro One, PIR, MGS, MBS, MOI, MTO, MNR and MEI*. Please ensure that a copy of your notice is also sent to the ministry/agency on title. As an example, if the study area includes a Provincial Park, then MNR is to also to be circulated notices related to your project.

Potential Negative Impacts to IO Tenants and Lands

General Impacts

Negative environmental impacts associated with the project design and construction, such as the potential for dewatering, dust, noise and vibration impacts, and impacts to natural heritage features/habitat and functions, should be avoided and/or appropriately mitigated in accordance with applicable regulations best practices and Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) and Ministry of the Environment (MOE) standards. Avoidance and mitigation options that characterize baseline conditions and quantify the potential impacts should be present as part of the EA project file. Details of appropriate mitigation, contingency plans and triggers for implementing contingency plans should also be present.

Impacts to Land holdings

Negative impacts to land holdings, such as the taking of developable parcels of IO managed land or fragmentation of utility or transportation corridors, should be avoided. If the potential for such impacts is present as part of this undertaking, you should contact the undersigned to discuss these issues at the earliest possible stage of your study.

If takings are suggested as part of any alternative these should be appropriately mapped and quantified within EA report documentation. In addition, details of appropriate mitigation and or next steps related to compensation for any required takings should be present. IO requests circulation of the draft EA report prior to finalization if potential impacts to IO-managed lands are present as part of this study.

Heritage Management Process & Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Process

Should the proposed activities impact cultural heritage features on IO managed lands, a request to examine cultural heritage issues which can include the cultural landscape, archaeology and places of sacred and secular value could be required. The IO (formerly Ontario Realty Corporation) Heritage Management Process should be used for identifying and conserving heritage properties in the provincial portfolio (this document can be downloaded from the Heritage section of our website: <http://www.ontariorealty.ca/What-We-Do/Heritage.htm>). Through this process, IO identifies, communicates and conserves the values of its heritage places. In addition, the Class EA ensures that IO considers the potential effects of proposed undertakings on the environment, including cultural heritage.

Potential Triggers Related to MOI's Class EA

IO is required to follow the MOI Class Environmental Assessment Process for Realty Activities Not Related to Electricity Projects (MOI Class EA). The MOI Class EA applies to a wide range of realty and planning activities including leasing or letting, planning approvals, disposition, granting of easements, demolition and property maintenance/repair. For details on the MOI Class EA please visit the Environment and Heritage page of our website found at <http://www.infrastructureontario.ca/What-We-Do/Buildings/Realty-Services/Environmental-Management/Class-EAs/>

Please note that completion of any EA process does not necessarily provide an approval for IO's EA process unless the alternative EA incorporates IO's applicable Class EA requirements.

If the MOI Class EA is triggered, and deferral to another ministry's or agency's Class EA or individual EA is requested, the alternative EA will be subject to a critical review prior to approval for any signoff of a deferral by the proponent. The alternative EA needs to fulfill the minimum criteria of the MOI Class EA. When evaluating an alternative EA there must be explicit reference to the corresponding undertaking in the MOI Class EA (e.g., if the proponent identifies the need to acquire land owned by MOI, then "acquisition of MOI-owned land", or similar statement, must be referenced in the EA document). Furthermore, sufficient levels of consultation with MOI's/IO's specific stakeholders, such as the MNR, must be documented with the relevant information corresponding to MOI's/IO's undertaking and the associated maps. In addition to *archaeological and heritage reports, a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA)*, on IO lands should also be incorporated into the alternative EA study. Deficiencies in any of these requirements could result in an inability to defer to the alternative EA study and require completing MOI's Class EA prior to commencement of the proposed undertaking.

In summary, the purchase of MOI-owned/IO-managed lands or disposal of rights and responsibilities (e.g. easement) for IO-managed lands triggers the application of the MOI Class EA. If any of these realty activities affecting IO-managed lands are being proposed as part of any alternative, please contact the Sales and Marketing Group through IO's main line (Phone: 416-327-3937, Toll Free: 1-877-863-9672), and contact the undersigned at your earliest convenience to discuss next steps.

Specific Comments

If an EA for this project is currently being undertaken and **only if** the undertaking directly affects all or in part any IO-managed property, please send the undersigned a copy of the DRAFT EA report and allow sufficient time (minimum of 30 calendar days) for comments and discussion prior to finalizing the report to ensure that all MOI Class EA requirements can be met through the EA study.

Please remove IO from your circulation list, with respect to this project, if there are no IO managed lands in the study area. In addition, in the future, please send only **electronic copies of notices** for any projects impacting IO managed lands to:
Keith.Noronha@infrastructureontario.ca

Thank you for the opportunity to provide initial comments on this undertaking. If you have any questions on the above I can be reached at the contacts below.

Sincerely,



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* Below are the acronyms for agencies/ministries listed in the above letter

OLC: Ontario Lands Corporation
ORC: Ontario Realty Corporation
PIR: Public Infrastructure and Renewal
MGS: Ministry of Government Services
MBS: Management Board and Secretariat
MOI: Ministry of Infrastructure
MTO: Ministry of Transportation
MNR: Ministry of Natural Resources
MEI: Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure

PHASE 2 – CORRESPONDENCE

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Subject: East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Notice of Public Event #2
Date: 08/28/2013 09:15 AM
Attachments: [EDT PIC2 Flyer Final.pdf](#)

Please be advised that City of Toronto and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority are holding Public Event #2 for the East Don Trail Environmental Assessment Study on:

Thursday, September 12, 2013

The Estonian House, 958 Broadview Avenue, Toronto (South of O'Connor – Use south facing entrance)

Open House: 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Presentations: 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

A copy of the notice is attached for your reference.

If you would like further information about the project, please contact: Violetta Tkaczuk, Project Manager vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca or 416-661-6600 ext. 5755.

Kind regards,
Natalie



Natalie Seniuk, MCIP | Project Coordinator, Project Management Office |

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East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Maria Zintchenko to: Maria Zintchenko

04/24/2014 02:07 PM

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chunmei.liu, Jamie.austin, Victor.doyle, Jackie.Burkart,

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Please be advised that an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the East Don Trail is being carried out by the City of Toronto Transportation Services and Parks, Forestry, and Recreation departments, and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) to facilitate the construction of a multi-use trail within the East Don Corridor. A significant gap in the multi-use network exists within the East Don Corridor between the Existing East Don Trail (East of Wynford Heights Crescent), Gatineau Corridor Trail (at approximately Bermondsey Rd), and the Don Trail Systems (refer to Figure 1, attached). The East Don Trail will fill this existing gap in the trail network thus creating a continuous trail network.

The project is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of the *Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment*.

To date, project Phase 1 "Problem or Opportunity" and Phase 2 "Alternative Solutions" have been completed. Stakeholder input has been received throughout the project, including public input following two Public Information Centres as well as six Community Liaison Committee meetings. The Solutions, considered Alternative Trail Alignments, and the Preferred Alternative selected are shown in Figure 1 (attached).

Further details and public consultation materials are available on project website:

<http://www.toronto.ca/eastdontrail/index.htm>

At this time, the project is moving into Phase 3 "Alternative Design Concepts for the Preferred Solution". As part of Phase 3, Alternative Design Concepts for the Preferred Alternative will be developed and evaluated to identify the Preferred Design Concept. The public, key stakeholders, and review agencies will be consulted prior to selecting the Preferred Design Concept. The public will have an opportunity to review and provide feedback on the Alternative Design Concepts at the third meeting to be held on June 24, 2014, at Victoria Park Hub, 1527 Victoria Park Avenue.

Please find a map attached showing the East Don Trail EA Phase 2 results: **Alternative Trail Alignments considered and the Preferred Alignment Selected.**

In addition, a printed copy of the letter and attachment have been mailed to you office. Should you wish to provide comment or have any questions, please contact Violetta Tkaczuk, Project Manager, at 416-661-6600 ext. 5755 or vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca.



EDT_Phase2Update_Map.pdf

Kind regards,
Maria

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Violetta Tkaczuk
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April 23, 2014

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SUBJECT: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment – Project Update

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Should you wish to provide comment or have any questions at this time, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

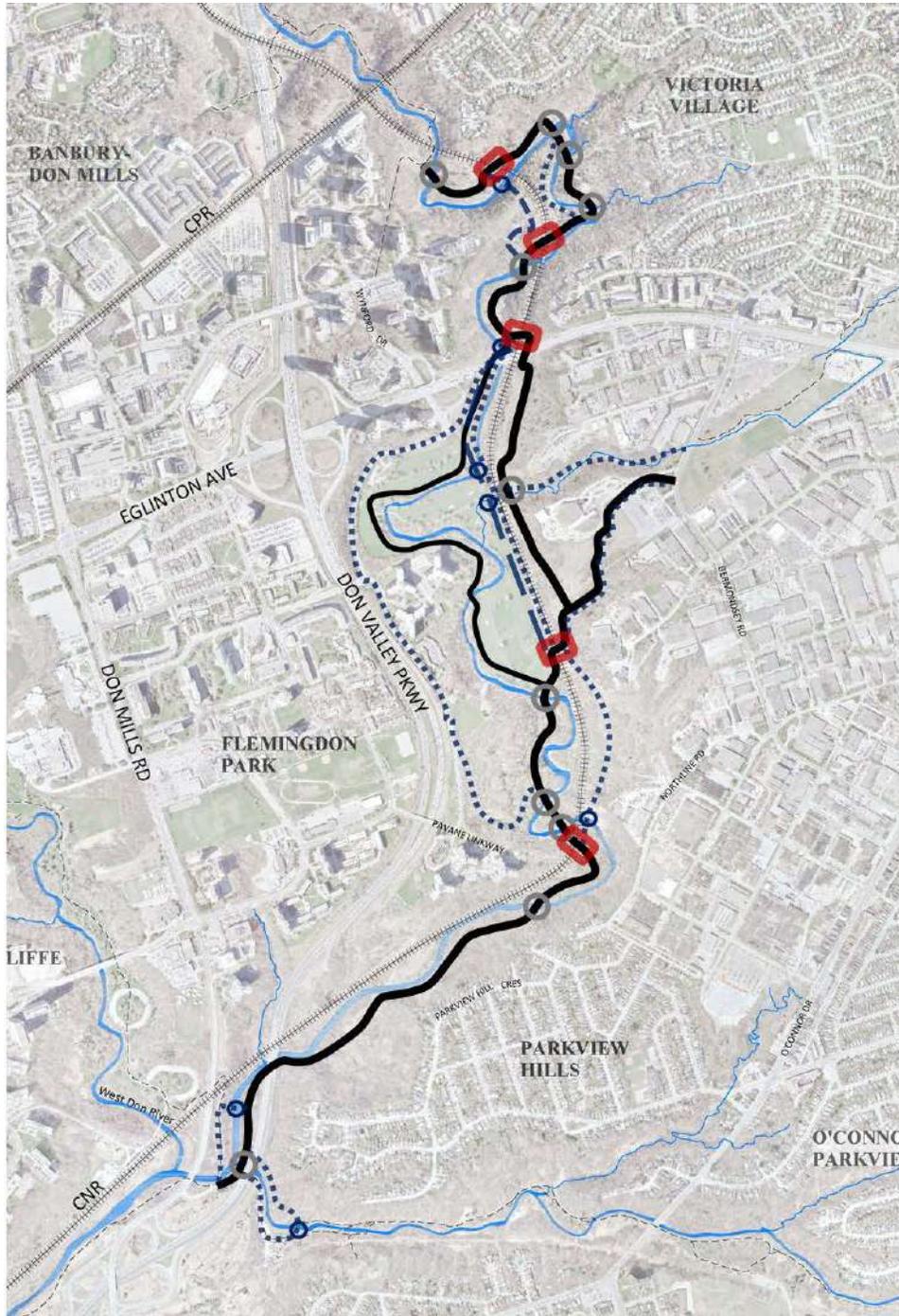


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Enclosure – Figure 1 East Don Trail EA Phase 2 results: Alternative Trail Alignments considered and the Preferred Alignment Selected

cc: Daniel Egan, City of Toronto
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Wendy Strickland, City of Toronto
Laura Stephenson, TRCA

Figure 1 East Don Trail EA Phase 2 results: Alternative Trail Alignments considered and the Preferred Alignment Selected



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|  | Rail Line Crossing |  | Preferred Alignment |
|  | River Crossings (Preferred Alignment) |  | Alternative Trail Alignments |
|  | River Crossings (Alternatives) |  | Refined Alternative Trail Alignments |
| | |  | Existing Multi-Use Trails |



RE: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment ? Project Update
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Cc: Maria Zintchenko <MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>

Good afternoon Violetta,

Please note that MNR's comments of February 14, 2013 still apply.

Sincerely,

Jackie Burkart

District Planner

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Subject: East Don Trail EA Response
Date: 04/24/2014 02:43 PM
Attachments: [East Don Trail Clear of SCPL.pdf](#)

Hello Violetta Tkaczuk, Project Manager,

Sun-Canadian has reviewed the East Don Trail location map and have added the location of the oil pipelines for your reference.

The pipelines are clear of the project as proposed, and unless the scope of work changes, will not be involved.

Thank you for considering Sun-Canadian, if you have any question please call me.

W. Paul Lane CET
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East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Project Update

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As you may be aware, the City of Toronto and TRCA are conducting a study to examine the creation of a multi-use trail system within the East Don Corridor. The proposed trail would provide a key connection in the multi-use trail network, joining the existing East Don Trail (East of Wynford Heights Crescent), Gatineau Corridor Trail (at approximately Bermondsey Rd), and the Lower Don Trail System. The East Don Trail study is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of *Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA)*.

East Don Trail EA Phase 1 “Problem or Opportunity” and Phase 2 “Alternative Solutions” have been completed, and the study is now in the final stage of Phase 3 “Alternative Design Concepts”.

A public meeting was held during each phase to provide an opportunity for the public to review materials and provide feedback. The final public meeting for the EA process was held on June 24, 2014 and focused on the Alternative Design Concepts. During this meeting the preferred Alternative Solution (preferred trail alignment) was presented in addition to the Alternative Design Concepts. Alternative Design Concepts provide a number of ways in which a project can be developed and designed for the preferred solution. Members of the public had an opportunity to comment on the evaluation and preliminary results of the preferred Alternative Design Concepts. Following the public meeting the preferred Alternative Design Concepts were revised and reassessed based on feedback from the Community Liaison Committee (CLC), the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), review agencies, and the general public.

The preferred Alternative Design Concept is shown in Figure 1 (see attached). A number of segments still require utility landowner review and approval, including two preliminary preferred level crossings of the Metrolinx/GO Transit-owned Bala Subdivision rail line. A safety assessment of these level crossings is currently underway.

The final step in Phase 3 will be the description of the preferred Design Concept. This step translates the preferred Design Concept into specifics required for detailed design, and will include information on: trail design, watercourse crossings, rail line crossings, drainage and stormwater management, utilities, easement requirements, construction staging, monitoring and maintenance considerations, preliminary cost estimates and necessary permits and approvals. Additionally, the potential environmental effects and proposed mitigation measures for the preferred design will be outlined. After being presented to the project CLC and TAC for feedback, this information will be revised and finalized into the Environmental Study Report (ESR). The ESR will be filed with the Ministry of Environment for a 30 day public review.

Further details and public consultation materials are available on project website:
www.toronto.ca/eastdontrail

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Should you wish to provide comments or have any questions, please contact Violetta Tkaczuk, Project Manager, at 416-661-6600 ext. 5755 or vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca.

Thank you,
Maria

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Date: 09/24/2014 10:25 AM
Attachments: [EDT_Phase3_Update.pdf](#)

Hello Chunmei

I am writing in regards to the East Don Trail EA to provide you an update on the progress and to book a status update meeting.

The East Don Trail EA is now in Phase 3 of the EA process, with the final public meeting held on June 24, 2014 on the alternative design concepts. A preferred design concept has been selected and the project team is now working on the description of this concept as well as writing the ESR. A short project update is attached for further information.

The last time we meet we had indicated that we would touch base in the fall and I would like to book a meeting at your earliest convenience. For this meeting we would also like to update you on Ashbridges Bay EA and Gibraltar Point.

Could you please let me know a few suitable times for you in the first few weeks of October for an update meeting.

Thank you



Violetta Tkaczuk | Project Manager I, Project Management Office |

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EAST DON TRAIL EA PROJECT UPDATE: Phase 3



BACKGROUND

The City of Toronto and TRCA are conducting a study to examine the creation of a multi-use trail system within the East Don Corridor. The proposed trail would provide a key connection in the multi-use trail network, joining the existing East Don Trail (East of Wynford Heights Crescent), Gattineau Corridor Trail (at approximately Bermondsey Rd), and the Lower Don Trail System. The East Don Trail study is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of *Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA)*.

PROGRESS TO DATE

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NEXT STEPS

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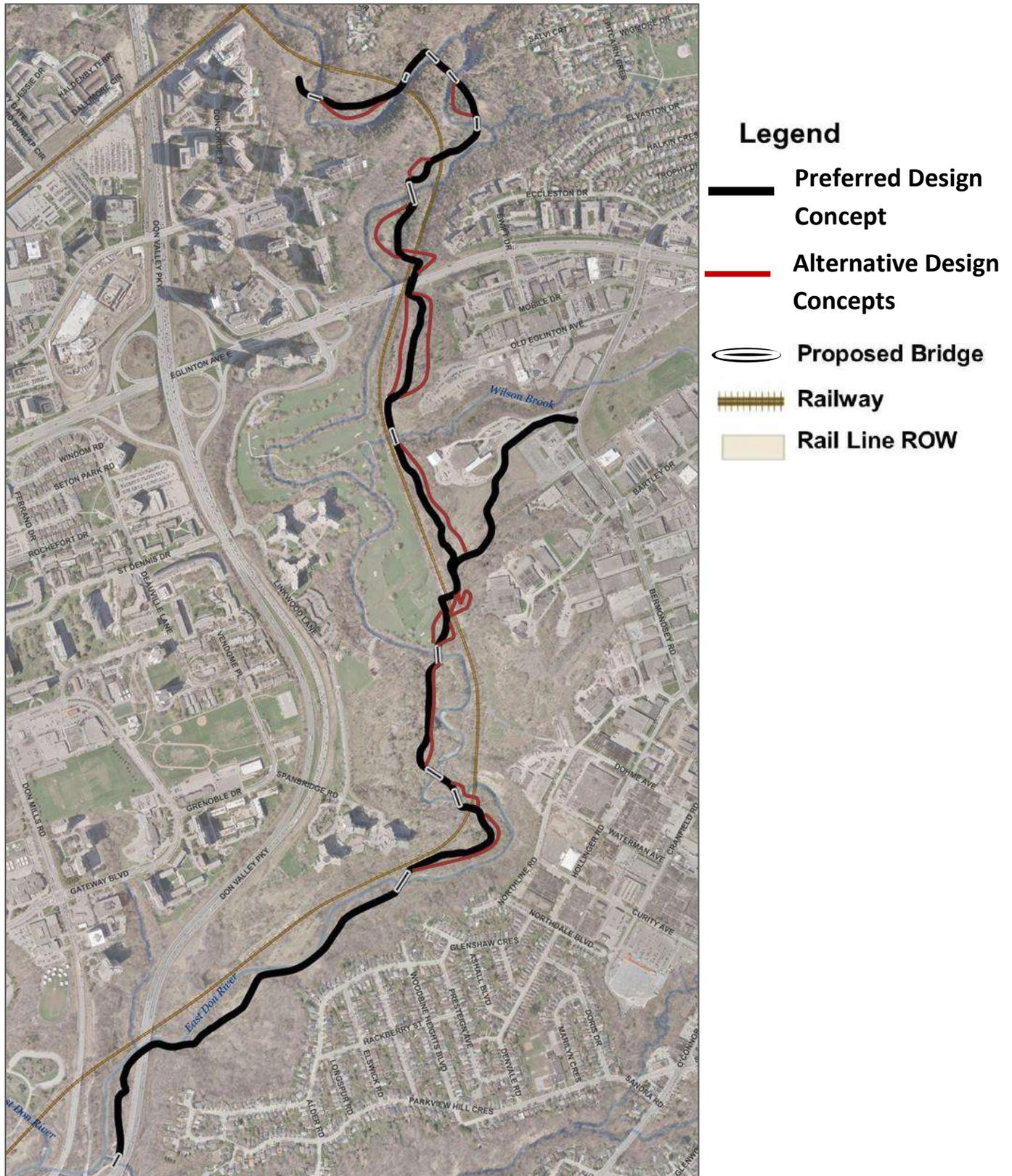
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Or Contact:

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EAST DON TRAIL EA PROJECT UPDATE: Phase 3

Figure 1: East Don Trail EA Phase 3 results: Alternative Design Concepts considered and the Preferred Design Concept selected





East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Maria Zintchenko to: Jackie.Burkart

09/19/2014 11:35 AM

Cc: Violetta Tkaczuk

Hello Jackie,

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Please let me know if you require further information. The project team would also be available to meet at your convenience.

Thank you,
Maria

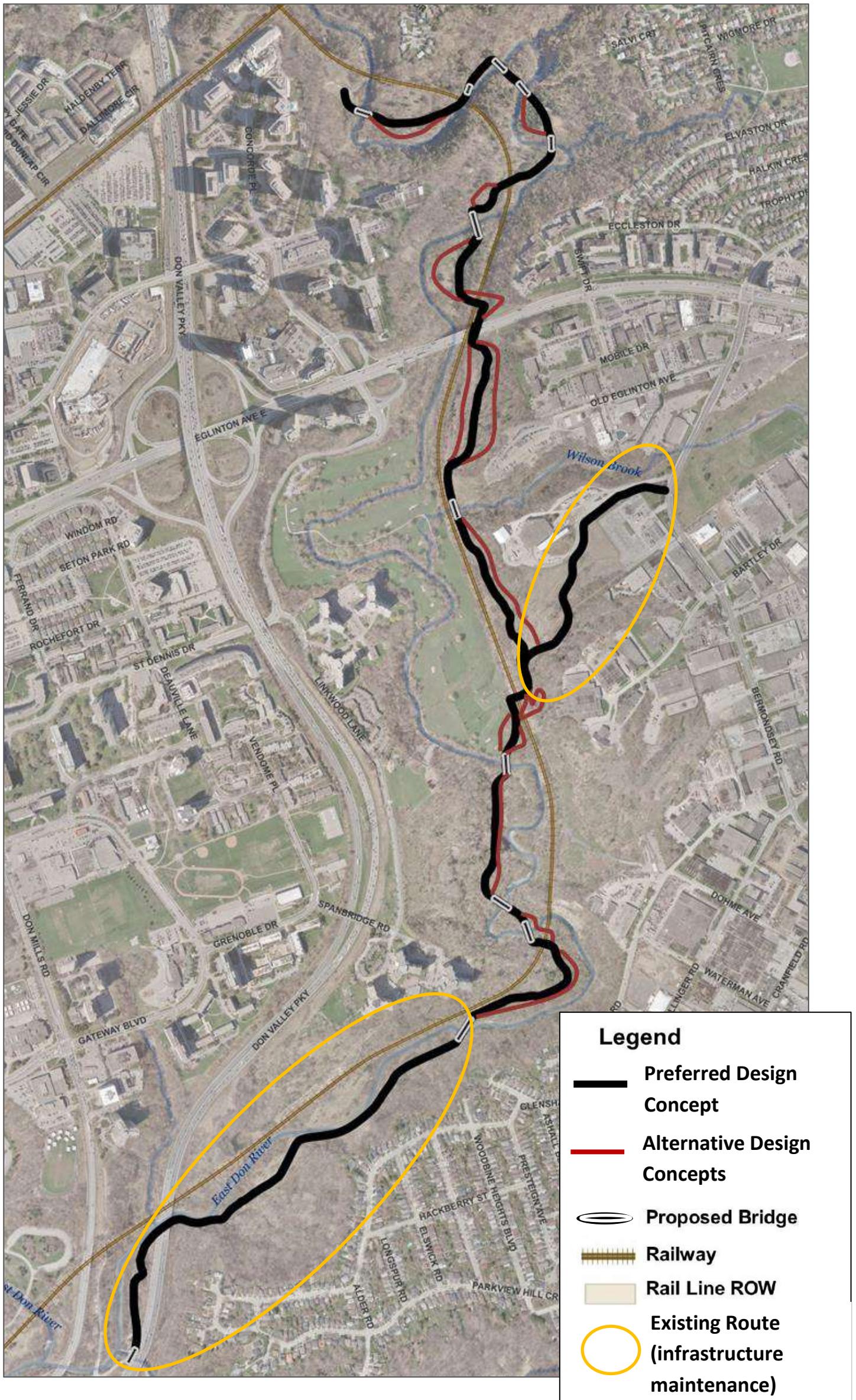
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EAST DON TRAIL EA PROJECT UPDATE: Phase 3

Figure 1: East Don Trail EA Phase 3 results: Alternative Design Concepts considered and the Preferred Design Concept selected



East Don Trail Environmental Assessment (EA)

Assessment of Potential Impact on Trees: Detailed Tree Inventory and Impact Evaluation Approach

In order to assess the potential impact of alternative design concepts on surrounding trees, a detailed tree inventory was compiled and the impact assessment approach was developed that took into account the number of trees affected as well as individual trees preservation value (see below).

Tree Inventory

A 15 m buffer was applied to each trail alignment option (alternative design concept) center line to capture the extent of the potential impact of trail construction.

Within this buffer (30 m total), each tree with a trunk diameter of over 10 cm was tagged and tree species, Trunk Diameter, Trunk Integrity (TI), Canopy Structure (CS) and Canopy Vigor (CV) were recorded. Tree location was recorded as well.

Each tree was then assigned a Low, Medium or High Preservation Value (PV). The three main criteria used for PV assignment were tree Trunk Integrity (TI), Canopy Structure (CS) and Canopy Vigor (CV). These provide an indication of the tree condition at the time of inventory compilation as well as the condition likely to be expected in the next 20 to 25 years, based on the current tree form and growing structure.

For example, a tree with a poor TI is likely to either fail, decline, or not grow well. Trees with poor CS are usually found growing under other trees or in conditions which cause them to develop uneven and/or unbalanced crowns, thus potentially limiting tree growth and future potential. Unbalanced trees are also much more likely to fail than well-balanced trees growing in a more natural form.

Other criteria that used to determine tree PV included, but were not limited to the following:

- Native vs. Non-Native status
- Longevity of the species in question
- Invasive vs. Non-Invasive status
- Diversity of trees on site (rare species may be desirable)

The detailed tree inventory information was used to develop the approach to assess the potential impact of each alternative design concept on surrounding trees. In turn, impact assessment results were used in the alternative design concepts evaluation.

Impact Assessment - Approach

The following were carried out in order to evaluate the potential impact of each alternative design concept on surrounding trees:

- A 7 m Clearance Zone (CZ) was established for trail route in each alternative design concept developed in Phase 3. Clearance Zone was defined as the corridor where trees are most likely to be removed to accommodate the trail path as well as the drainage features and/or mowed grass shoulder, where appropriate, in addition to providing sufficient clearance between the trail and fences, steep slopes etc. (7 m = 4 m of trail surface + 1.5 m on each side for drainage/grass shoulder, on average).
- For each trail alignment option, the following were carried out:
 - The number of trees (High PV, Medium PV and Low PV trees) within the 7 m CZ (the trees located within the CZ are most likely to be removed) was determined;
 - The number of High PV trees Tree Protection Zones (TPZ , with size corresponding to the values in the Ravine and Natural Feature Protection By-law) intersecting Clearance Zone was determined;
 - Points were assigned to each tree as follows:

For trees that are most likely to be removed (see “A” above): High PV = 3 points;
Medium PV = 2 points; Low PV = 1 point

Each potentially impacted High PV tree (see “B” above) was assigned 2 points
 - Total number of points assigned to each alternative design concept was incorporated into the alternative design concepts evaluation via using measures for assigning scores developed for the “Trees” evaluation criterion (see example below).

Please note that:

- In the detailed design stage, all efforts will be made to design the trail while minimizing disturbance to and removal of trees such that the overall negative impact is reduced
- All tree removals and injuries are subject to the City of Toronto Ravine and Natural Feature Protection By-law
- Tree protection during construction to follow City of Toronto Specifications for Construction near Trees and approvals by Urban Forestry

Example

Trail Segment L

		Segment L			
		Option 1		Option 2	
		# Trees	Score	# Trees	Score
Within Clearance Zone (3.5 m on either side of center line) – i.e., most likely to be removed	Number of High PV Trees	13	39	27	81
	Number of Medium PV Trees	13	26	8	16
	Number of Low PV Trees	46	46	48	48
Buffered (TPZ = buffer radius) High Preservation Value Trees outside of the Clearance Zone intersecting Clearance Zone – i.e., potentially impacted	Number of High PV Trees	9	18	15	30
	Total Score*	--	129	--	175
	Rank (assigned based on Measures for Assigning Scores, Trees Phase 3 evaluation criterion)	-1		-2	

*Scoring System: Most likely to be removed High PV tree = 3 points; Medium PV = 2 points; Low PV = 1 point; Potentially impacted High PV tree = 2 points

As shown in the Table above, Segment L Option 2 has a lower score ((-2) compared to (-1) scored by Option 1) and therefore a higher potential negative impact on trees.

Option 1 has a lower score and therefore lower potential negative impact.



RE: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update
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 to:
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 10/02/2014 11:42 AM
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1 Attachment



TRCA_East Don Trail_October22014.pdf

Hi Maria,

Please accept the attached letter as a response to your information request.

We may require more detailed information on the proposed project in order to assess the impacts of the works on Species at Risk. When project details have been determined, please fill an Information Gathering Form (IGF) for any *threatened* or *endangered* species listed in the provided letter and submit it to our office (to ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca). The IGF can be found [here](#) (along with its associated [guide](#)). Please include detailed descriptions of the undertakings such as proposed timing and phasing of project and detailed on what is required at each phase.

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Thank you,
 Eva

From: Burkart, Jackie (MNR)
Sent: September 19, 2014 1:04 PM
To: Maria Zintchenko; ESA Aurora (MNR)
Cc: Berube, Margaret (MNR)
Subject: FW: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Hi Maria,

By way of this email, I have forwarded your request for detailed SAR information to ESA Aurora for screening and response.

Kind regards,

Jackie

Jackie Burkart

District Planner

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Dear Ms. Zintchenko,

**Re: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment
City of Toronto**

In response to your email dated September 19, 2014, please note that as of the date of this letter, the following species have the potential to occur within or adjacent to your study area:

Butternut	END	Bank Swallow	THR	Eastern Meadowlark	THR
	Eastern Wood-Pewee	SC	Wood Thrush	SC	

Some of these species receive protection under the *Endangered Species Act, 2007 (ESA 2007)* and thus, an approval from MNRF may be required if the work you are proposing could cause harm to these species or their habitats. If the Species at Risk in Ontario List is amended, additional species may be listed and protected under the *ESA 2007* or the status and protection levels of currently listed species may change.

Natural heritage features recorded in the vicinity of your area include a number of identified wetlands.

Absence of information provided by MNRF for a given geographic area, or lack of current information for a given area or element, does not categorically mean the absence of sensitive species or features. Many areas in Ontario have never been surveyed and new plant and animal species records are still being discovered for many localities. For these reasons, the MNRF cannot provide a definitive statement on the presence, absence or condition of biological elements in any part of Ontario.

This species at risk information is highly sensitive and is not intended for any person or project unrelated to this undertaking. Please do not include any specific information in reports that will be available for public record. As you complete your fieldwork in these areas, please report all information related to any species at risk to our office. This will assist with updating our database, and facilitate early consultation regarding your project.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at eva.bobak@ontario.ca or at ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "E. Bobak".

Eva Bobak
Fish and Wildlife Technical Specialist
Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Aurora District

East Don Trail Environmental Assessment - Project Update - Action Required by Sept 21, 2016

Caitlin Rochon to:

09/07/2016 02:30 PM

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If you have any questions or would like to provide comments, please contact Violetta Savage, Project Manager, at 416-661-6600 ext. 5755 or vsavage@trca.on.ca by **Wednesday, September 21, 2016**.

Thank you,
Caitlin

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EAST DON TRAIL EA

PROJECT UPDATE: Preferred Design Concept

BACKGROUND

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STATUS

The preferred trail design concept for the East Don Trail was presented to the public and stakeholders in 2014, at that time two preliminary preferred level crossings of the rail line still required review and approval. In 2015 additional details on the design, construction and mitigation measures for the remainder of the preferred design concept were developed while review and discussion on the two level crossings continued. Results of these discussions indicated that it is Metrolinx/GO's policy direction to not permit any new level crossings of active rail corridors, and therefore the level crossings could not be selected as the preferred crossing options. The final preferred design concept has been amended to include two bridge crossings of the Metrolinx rail line, Metrolinx Crossing 2 and 3 (refer to Figure 1).

EAST DON TRAIL PREFERRED DESIGN CONCEPT

The previously presented preferred design concept for the East Don Trail remains the same, except for the amendment of the two level crossings to two rail line bridge crossings. The preferred option of crossing the Metrolinx rail line at the three additional locations remain unchanged and include two tunnel crossings and one underpass. The final preferred design concept, including the two proposed rail line bridges can be seen in Figure 1.

RAIL LINE BRIDGES

Both bridges will be designed and built to span the Metrolinx right-of-way, ranging from 45 to 60m long, the specific sizing of these crossings will be completed in the detailed design project phase. Both bridges will aim to meet a minimum of 7.4 m vertical clearance, the distance from the rail line to the bottom of the bridge structure. Bridge width will be determined with the function of a multi-use trail in mind, aiming for a clearway width of at least 3.5 m.

Further design and implementation considerations may include: bridge surface material type to consider an anti-slip surface, railing height and design to consider safety of trail users and rail line operations, bridge abutments and load requirements.

To transition trail users from the trail at ground level to the bridges over the rail line three design approaches will be explored: multi-use trail switchbacks, sloped walkways, and raised ramp structures. The specific dimensions for each of these will be determined during the detailed design project phase, and will consider: grades, number and location of landings/resting areas, handrails, guards, length, width, and turn radius.

EAST DON TRAIL EA

PROJECT UPDATE: Preferred Design Concept

The design of the bridges and transition areas will be done in consultation with Metrolinx and will work to meet the Ontario Accessibility Standards for the Design of Public Spaces Guidelines (2013), the Toronto Multi-Use Trail Design Guidelines (2014), City of Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines (2004), and all applicable Transport Canada and Metrolinx standards.

NEXT STEPS

The public, project stakeholders and review agencies are being asked to review and provide comment on the recent changes to the East Don Trail preferred design concept which includes the two rail line bridges. Any comments are requested by **Wednesday, September 21, 2016**. Following this two week review period, any necessary changes or additions will be made to the new proposed rail line bridge crossings and the Environmental Study Report (ESR) will be updated. The ESR will be filed with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change for a 30 day public review period.

EAST DON TRAIL EA

PROJECT UPDATE: Preferred Design Concept

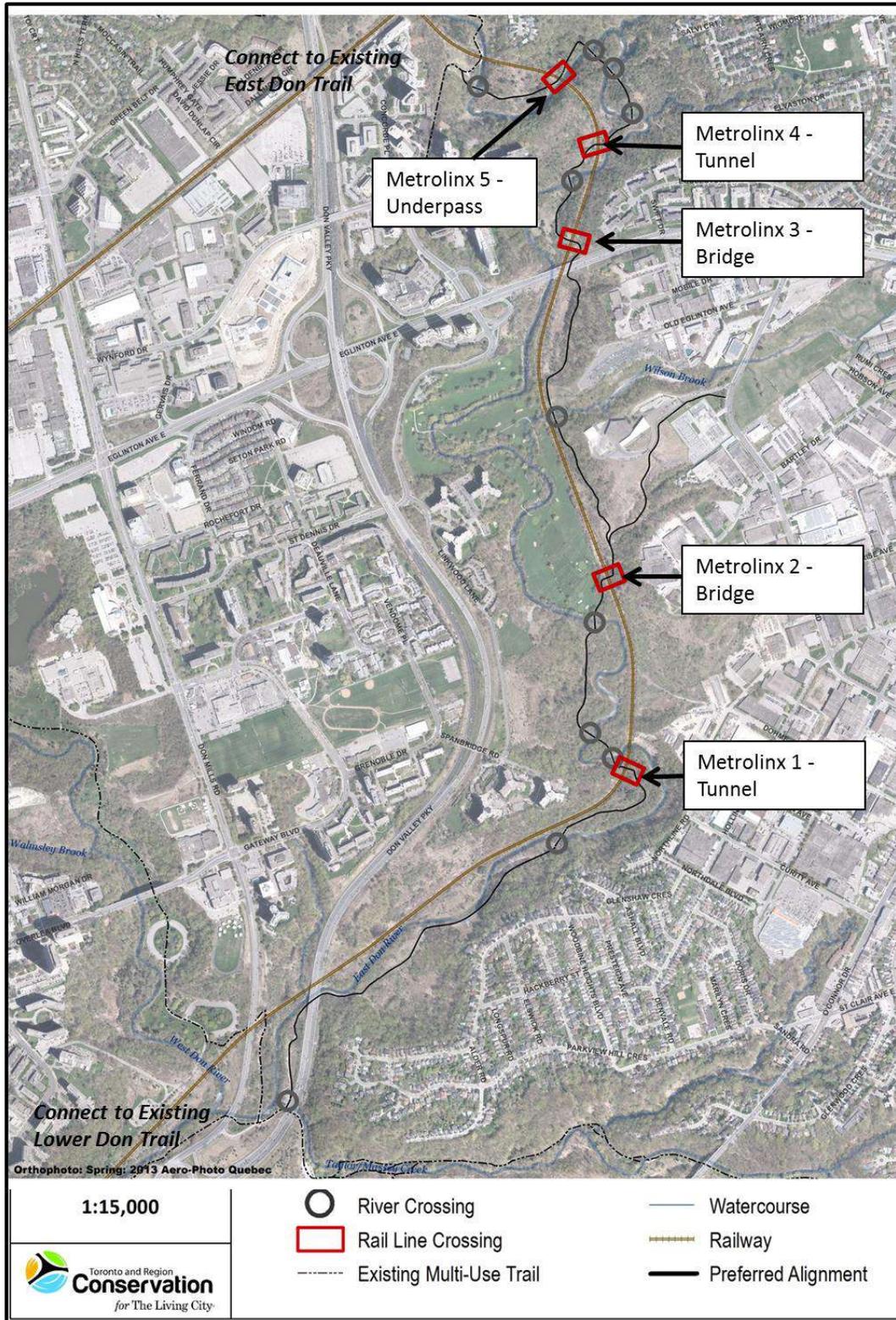


Figure 1: East Don Trail Preferred Design Concept

From: [Kowalyk, Bohdan \(MNRF\)](#)
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Subject: RE: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry
Date: 06/09/2015 04:28 PM
Attachments: [PL2-02-02_Ownership-Determination-BNWA_POL_Feb26_2007_EN.pdf](#)
[P 2-02-02_Ownership-Determination_BNWA_PRO_Feb26_2007_EN.pdf](#)

Hi Maria,

Since you indicated an interest, attached are the current ownership determination policy and procedures that I have access to.

Regards,

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Hi Bohdan,

Thanks for looking into this.
Let me check the titles to see if the bed of the river south of Eglinton was expressly granted to the grantee.

- Maria

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Date: 06/09/2015 11:10 AM
Subject: RE: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hello,

I should have forwarded part 4 of the application (attached).

According to the *Beds of Navigable Waters Act*, the bed of a navigable body of water or stream did not pass from the Crown to the grantee unless there was an express grant of it. The Don River East Branch was determined back in 1959 to be navigable south of Eglinton Avenue (and not navigable north of Eglinton Avenue). Are you able to easily determine if the bed of the river south of Eglinton was expressly granted to the grantee?

Thanks,

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To: 'Maria Zintchenko'
Cc: Berube, Margaret (MNRF)
Subject: RE: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

I am seeking some clarification and hope to get back to you soon, although it may not be until next week.

Regards,

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Subject: RE: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Bohdan,

Our research of properties potentially affected by the project showed that the river bed in the project area is owned by the City of Toronto. The bed is split into several parcels, all having City of Toronto as the owner. At the same time, most of the parcels do have Crown Patents on title that reserve certain rights such as rights to mines and minerals, as well as certain land uses.

The bridges proposed for this project would connect parcels of TRCA-owned land over the City-owned

river, or City-owned land over City-owned river.

Do we still have to apply for permits under the Public Lands Act? Do we have to look at the Crown Patents on title to confirm this?

I attached the property ownership map for your reference. The map shows individual property identification numbers and owners.

Your help to clarify this is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Maria

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Hello,

The bed of the Don River in this area would be Crown land. Whether this becomes an issue would depend on the design of the bridges or other infrastructure affecting the bed of the river.

Attached are the Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act Administrative Guide as well as the Work Permit application parts 1 and 5. If there are any questions, let me know.

Regards,

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To: [Maria Zintchenko](#)
Subject: RE: East Don Trail EA: application of the MOI Class EA process
Date: 11/18/2015 04:10 PM

Hi Maria,

As you know, Aurora District continues to work with the TRCA who is leading this Municipal Class EA for the City of Toronto. MNRF may have some concerns regarding potential natural heritage features within the project area, but we are confident that these concerns will be address to our satisfaction through the Municipal Class EA process. Therefore, we have no concerns regarding the disposition associated with the MOI Class EA process for the lands designated Hydro-electric Power Commission and Hydro One Networks Inc.

Margaret

From: Maria Zintchenko [mailto:MZintchenko@trca.on.ca]
Sent: November-16-15 12:35 PM
To: Almond, John (MNRF)
Cc: ESA Aurora (MNRF); Berube, Margaret (MNRF); Violetta Tkaczuk; jhyland@toronto.ca
Subject: East Don Trail EA: application of the MOI Class EA process

Hello John,

As you may be aware, City of Toronto and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) are in the process of completing a Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the East Don Trail and associated access connections within the East Don valley lands.

The Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure (MEDEI) owns lands in the Study Area that are proposed to be granted as an easement, based on the preferred solution recommended in this study (see Figure attached). While owned by MEDEI, these lands are managed by Infrastructure Ontario. As a result, this portion of the proposed trail is also being addressed in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Infrastructure (MOI) Class EA process. Following consultation with the Infrastructure Ontario, it has been determined that the undertaking falls under MOI Class EA Category B undertaking.

As per the MOI Class EA process, City of Toronto and TRCA are requesting that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) inform the City of Toronto and TRCA if you have any concerns with the East Don Trail study being undertaken according to the MOI Class EA process. The response can be in the form of an email reply to this email.

Please note this email is only seeking clearance or concerns in regards to the East Don Trail study being undertaken according to the MOI Class EA process. Any previous consultation we have engaged in (for example in regards to Species at Risk) is still ongoing and your response to this email will not be taken as a response to those discussions.

If you could please respond by Wednesday, November 18th, 2015. I apologize for the short notice. We were made aware of this requirement only recently and have plans to file the East Don Trail EA Environmental Study Report by the end of this month. A response from the MNRF in regards to this study being undertaken according to the MOI Class EA process is required prior to the filing date in order to be included in the Environmental Study Report.

Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

I will follow up with a phone call later today. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Maria

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RE: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry
 Berube, Margaret (MNRF)
 to:
 Caitlin Rochon
 09/22/2016 04:24 PM
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 From: "Berube, Margaret (MNRF)" <Margaret.Berube@ontario.ca>
 To: Caitlin Rochon <CRochon@trca.on.ca>,

1 Attachment



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Hi Caitlin,

One more thing: could you complete the attached spreadsheet for all SAR that have been observed during studies for this project?

Thanks,

Margaret

From: Berube, Margaret (MNRF)
Sent: September 22, 2016 4:21 PM
To: 'Caitlin Rochon'
Cc: Felix, Peter (MNRF)
Subject: RE: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Caitlin,

I should add that you may require an authorization under the Public Lands Act. Peter Felix is currently acting as our Lands and Waters Technical Specialist. He can be reached at peter.felix@ontario.ca.

Also, an authorization could be required under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act if you are proposing to de-water any areas in the river and conduct fish rescues as a result.

Margaret

From: Berube, Margaret (MNRF)
Sent: September 22, 2016 4:16 PM
To: 'Caitlin Rochon'
Subject: RE: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Caitlin,

Thanks for following up. We have no concern with this project regarding SAR bird species so long as all site preparation works such as tree removal, vegetation removal, stripping, grading, etc. are done between September 1 and April 30 of any given year (outside of the sensitive period for bird processes).

Thanks,

Margaret

From: Caitlin Rochon [<mailto:CRochon@trca.on.ca>]
Sent: September 22, 2016 10:18 AM
To: Berube, Margaret (MNRF)
Cc: ESA Aurora (MNRF)
Subject: Fw: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Margaret,

I am following up on Maria's inquiries for the East Don Trail project from September 2014-September 2015. Are you able to determine whether you have any concerns with the proposal regarding impacts to SAR birds? Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Thank you,
 Caitlin

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 Cc: "ESA Aurora (MNR)" <ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca>
 Date: 09/01/2015 10:58 AM
 Subject: Fw: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Margaret,

I'm following up on the status of East Don Trail project with respect to potential impacts to SAR birds and any other concerns you may have. I hope the information we provided, including the 2015 breeding bird survey data as per your request, is sufficient.

Please let me know if there is anything else you need.

Thank you,
 Maria

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 To: "Berube, Margaret (MNR)" <Margaret.Berube@ontario.ca>,
 Cc: "ESA Aurora (MNR)" <ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca>
 Date: 08/04/2015 11:05 AM
 Subject: Fw: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Margaret,

Additional breeding bird surveys in the project area have been completed. Please see the attachment for the list of species observed (EDT_BreedingBirdSurveys2015_BirdSpeciesList.pdf).

No Eastern Meadowlark, Chimney Swift or Barn Swallow observations were made. However, one Bank Swallow observation was made - please see the attachment for observation location (Fig 2_Updated2015Aug04) and details (Table 2_Updated2014Aug04).

Having received these data, are you able to determine whether you have any concerns with the proposal regarding impacts to SAR birds?

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[attachment "Fig2_Birds_Updated2015Aug04.pdf" deleted by Maria Zintchenko/TRCA] [attachment "Table2_Updated2015Aug04.pdf" deleted by Maria Zintchenko/TRCA]

Thank you,
 Maria

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 Cc: "ESA Aurora (MNR)" <ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca>, "Kowalyk, Bohdan (MNR)" <bohdan.kowalyk@ontario.ca>
 Date: 06/04/2015 09:52 AM
 Subject: RE: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Margaret,

Thank you for your time and comments.

We are completing additional breeding bird surveys in the project area this year. So far, 2 rounds of surveys have been conducted. We are doing a 3rd for the areas identified as potential Eastern Meadowlark/Bobolink habitat (open grassy areas). While we are not able to get the survey results georeferenced until early Fall, I will forward you the species list in the coming weeks.

I haven't heard back in regards to the review of the area re. Crown land interests. Were you able to confirm whether those apply?

Thank you for letting me know about the FWCA requirements surrounding the in-water works. We will certainly adhere to all that apply once we are in the implementation stage.

Kind regards,

Maria

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 Cc: "Kowalyk, Bohdan (MNRF)" <bohdan.kowalyk@ontario.ca>, "ESA Aurora (MNRF)" <ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca>
 Date: 05/21/2015 03:28 PM
 Subject: RE: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Maria,

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you. Thank you for your detailed reply.

I would still like to see additional breeding bird surveys done on the subject lands if possible. Otherwise, I won't be able to determine whether or not we have any concerns with the proposal regarding impacts to SAR birds. It looks like the Bio Blitz 2015 happening in the Don River Watershed in June might cover this area – double check with the ROM.

Also, and for Eastern Meadowlark and Bobolink especially, I still recommend that at least three sets of point count surveys be conducted as per MNRF's survey protocols (attached – can be used for both species).

I will just have our Lands and Waters Technical Specialist review the area re. Crown land interests (cc'd on this email).

If you are isolating areas within the river to conduct in-water works (i.e. bridge installation), you will need to conduct a fish rescue and apply for a Licence to Collect Fish for Scientific Purposes under the FWCA.

It was very nice chatting with you earlier. Please continue to involve me as the EA progresses.

Margaret

From: Maria Zintchenko [<mailto:MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>]
Sent: March-31-15 12:14 PM
To: Berube, Margaret (MNRF)
Cc: Hislop, Chris (MNRF); Stanley, Elizabeth (MNRF); ESA Aurora (MNRF); Violetta Tkaczuk
Subject: Re: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Margaret,

Sorry about the delayed response. Please see attached document that includes responses to your questions and comments. We've updated several maps submitted with the original IGF and provided additional information where available.

I'll follow up in about 2 weeks (will be away until then) to make sure outstanding items are resolved to your satisfaction.

Thank you,
Maria

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 To: "MZintchenko@trca.on.ca" <MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>,
 Cc: "ESA Aurora (MNRF)" <ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca>, "Stanley, Elizabeth (MNRF)" <Elizabeth.Stanley@ontario.ca>, "Hislop, Chris (MNRF)" <Chris.Hislop@ontario.ca>
 Date: 02/27/2015 10:14 AM
 Subject: FW: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Maria,

Sorry for the delay. I have some questions and comments regarding your IGF:

Butternut

I only see reference to trees with a trunk diameter over 10cm. Does this mean that trees with a diameter less than 10cm were not surveyed? Butternut targeted surveys should be conducted for the entire study area to ensure that Butternut of all ages (seedling, sapling, etc.) are identified.

We recommend that the 2008 ELC table be used for all ELC works moving forward.

A plant summary list (using the plant species lists created for each ELC polygon) should be provided.

Eastern Meadowlark and Bank Swallow

It appears that surveys were done 15 years ago and that only two visits were made. More recent breeding bird surveys should be done and each survey station needs to be visited at least 3 times.

Other Breeding Birds

We also have records of Barn Swallow (threatened) and Chimney Swift (threatened) in the area. Additional information should be provided on these species re. surveys and presence/absence.

Other Approvals

You may require approvals under the Public Lands Act and the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act.

Thanks,

Margaret

From: Maria Zintchenko [<mailto:MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>]

Sent: January-29-15 5:12 PM
To: Bobak, Eva (MNR)
Cc: ESA Aurora (MNR)
Subject: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Status Inquiry

Hi Eva,

I wanted to follow up on the status of the East Don Trail EA IGF review.

Please let me know if there is any additional information I could provide to assist.

Thank you,
Maria

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Cc: "ESA Aurora (MNR)" <ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca>
Date: 01/09/2015 02:08 PM
Subject: Information Gathering Form for the East Don Trail EA - Submission

Hi Eva,

Please find attached the completed Information Gathering Form for the *threatened* and *endangered* species that have been recorded in areas adjacent to the location of the multi-use trail proposed in the East Don Trail EA. The species include Butternut, Eastern Meadowlark and Bank Swallow.
[attachment "EastDonTrailEA_IGF_2015Jan09.pdf" deleted by Maria Zintchenko/TRCA]

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Maria

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From: "Bobak, Eva (MNR)" <Eva.Bobak@ontario.ca>
To: Maria Zintchenko <MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>,
Date: 10/27/2014 03:03 PM
Subject: RE: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Hi Maria,

The surveys that have been completed by the TRCA should be sufficient. Could you please provide the breeding bird survey protocol details as well?

Thank you very much,
Eva

From: Maria Zintchenko [<mailto:MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>]
Sent: October 27, 2014 10:27 AM
To: ESA Aurora (MNR); Bobak, Eva (MNR)
Subject: RE: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Hi Eva,

As per the Information Gathering Form (IGF), I wanted to confirm what was your determination in regards to species at risk surveys. Would you be able to confirm whether any surveys beyond those already completed by the TRCA are required?

The surveys that have been completed include the following:

- Terrestrial biological inventory surveys which included vegetation community (based on the Ecological Land Classification), and flora and fauna species (including breeding bird) surveys
- Detailed Tree Inventory, collected for trees found within 15 meters of each side of the proposed trail.

Please let me know if you'd like me to provide survey protocol details (will be included in the IGF).

Thank you,
Maria

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From: "ESA Aurora (MNR)" <ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca>
To: Maria Zintchenko <MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>,
Date: 10/02/2014 11:42 AM
Subject: RE: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Hi Maria,

Please accept the attached letter as a response to your information request.

We may require more detailed information on the proposed project in order to assess the impacts of

the works on Species at Risk. When project details have been determined, please fill an Information Gathering Form (IGF) for any *threatened* or *endangered* species listed in the provided letter and submit it to our office (to ESA.Aurora@ontario.ca). The IGF can be found [here](#) (along with its associated [guide](#)). Please include detailed descriptions of the undertakings such as proposed timing and phasing of project and detailed on what is required at each phase.

All sections and tables should be filled out in their entirety – incomplete forms will be returned and may delay the review process. Any applicable supplemental information that will assist with the review process should also be submitted with the IGF (e.g. field survey results, site plan/drawings, ELC mapping, etc.). Please note that forms are reviewed in the order in which they are received by MNR and we will contact you with our response once the review is complete.

Thank you,
Eva

From: Burkart, Jackie (MNR)
Sent: September 19, 2014 1:04 PM
To: Maria Zintchenko; ESA Aurora (MNR)
Cc: Berube, Margaret (MNR)
Subject: FW: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Hi Maria,

By way of this email, I have forwarded your request for detailed SAR information to ESA Aurora for screening and response.

Kind regards,

Jackie

Jackie Burkart

District Planner

Ministry of Natural Resources | 50 Bloomington Road, Aurora, ON L4G 0L8 | Phone: 905-713-7368 | Fax: 905-713-7360 | Email: jackie.burkart@ontario.ca |

From: Maria Zintchenko [<mailto:MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>]
Sent: September 19, 2014 11:35 AM
To: Burkart, Jackie (MNR)
Cc: Violetta Tkaczuk
Subject: East Don Trail Project Environmental Assessment - Project Update

Hello Jackie,

As you know, the City of Toronto and TRCA are conducting a study to examine the creation of a multi-use trail system within the East Don Corridor. The proposed trail would provide a key connection in the multi-use trail network, joining the existing East Don Trail (East of Wynford Heights Crescent), Gatineau Corridor Trail (at approximately Bermondsey Rd), and the Lower Don Trail System. The East Don Trail study is being carried out in accordance with the requirements of *Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA)*.

East Don Trail EA Phase 1 “Problem or Opportunity” and Phase 2 “Alternative Solutions” have been completed, and is now in the final stage of Phase 3 “Alternative Design Concepts”.

To develop and evaluate Alternative Design Concepts, a detailed tree survey of areas potentially impacted by each Concept was conducted which found no Butternut trees. Please see attached for the detailed description of the tree survey procedure. Please note that there would be no to minimal vegetation removal or other physical alterations along the existing routes (noted in the Map attached).

A public meeting was held during each phase to provide an opportunity for the public to review materials and provide feedback. The final public meeting for the EA process was held on June 24, 2014 and focused on the Alternative Design Concepts. During this meeting the preferred Alternative Solution (preferred trail alignment) was presented in addition to the Alternative Design Concepts. Alternative Design Concepts provide a number of ways in which a project can be developed and designed for the preferred solution. Members of the public had an opportunity to comment on the evaluation and preliminary results of the preferred Alternative Design Concepts.

Following the public meeting the preferred Alternative Design Concepts were revised and reassessed based on feedback from the Community Liaison Committee (CLC), the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), review agencies, and the general public.

The preferred Alternative Design Concept is shown in the Map attached. Several segments still require utility/landowner review and approval, including two preliminary preferred level crossings of the Metrolinx/GO Transit-owned Bala Subdivision rail line. A safety assessment of these level crossings is currently underway.

The final step in Phase 3 will be the description of the preferred Design Concept. This step translates the preferred Design Concept into specifics required for detailed design, and will include information on: trail design, watercourse crossings, rail line crossings, drainage and stormwater management, utilities, easement requirements, construction staging, monitoring and maintenance considerations, preliminary cost estimates and necessary permits and approvals. Additionally the potential environmental effects and proposed mitigation measures for the preferred design will be outlined. This information will be presented to the CLC and TAC for feedback, then revised and finalized into the Environmental Study Report (ESR). The ESR will be filed with the Ministry of Environment for a 30 day public review. For more information, please visit: www.toronto.ca/eastdontrail or contact Violetta Tkaczuk, Project Manager, at 416-661-6600 ext. 5755 or vtkaczuk@trca.on.ca.

At this time, the project team is requesting that you assess whether the preferred Design Concept route has the potential to affect species at risk that may be present within the study area.

Previous project correspondence related to species at risk is attached for your reference.

Please let me know if you require further information. The project team would also be available to meet at your convenience.

Thank you,
Maria

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From: [Violetta Tkaczuk](#)
To: chunmei.liu@ontario.ca
Cc: jhyland@toronto.ca; [Lisa Turnbull](#)
Subject: East Don Trail EA -summary
Date: 10/24/2014 10:52 AM
Attachments: [EDT Project Summary.pdf](#)

Hello Chunmei

Thank you for meeting with us earlier this week. As promised please find attached a brief summary of the East Don Trail EA background and progress to date. Hopefully this will be helpful in determining next steps for this project.

Please let me know if you require any further information.



Sincerely:

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EAST DON TRAIL EA PROJECT Summary

Purpose

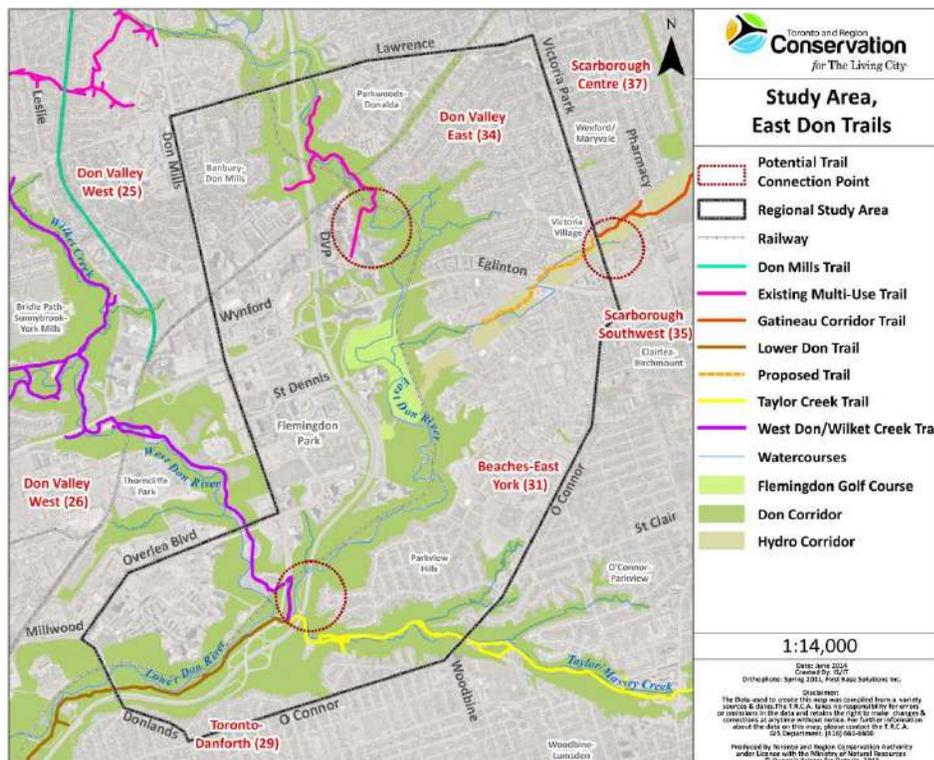
The City of Toronto and TRCA are conducting a *Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA)* to study options for a multi-use trail system within the East Don Corridor. The proposed trail would provide a key connection in the multi-use trail network, joining the existing East Don Trail (East of Wynford Heights Crescent), Gatineau Corridor Trail, and the Lower Don Trail System. The purpose of the project is to create a key connection in the multi-use trail system, provide safe access to nature and recreational opportunities for the public, and to create a safe travel route, through an environmentally sound planning process.

Background

In 2012, City of Toronto prepared the multi-year *Bikeway Trails Implementation Plan* to identify specific links and installation priorities of the multi-use trail network. The Plan recommended adding 77 kilometres (km) of new bikeway trails to the existing 286 km trails network and was approved by City Council in June of 2012. The largest and most complex project included in the Bikeway Trails Implementation Plan was the East Don Trail.

The City of Toronto's, Parks Forestry and Recreation, and Transportation Services, and TRCA have been working in partnership on the development of the East Don Trail for several years, and constructed a section in the north in 2011. In addition, City of Toronto and TRCA, with support from R.V. Anderson Associates Limited, completed a feasibility study of the remaining portion of the East Don Trail. The study determined that a trail was possible and identified potential technical challenges recommending that an EA was required.

Study Area



EAST DON TRAIL EA PROJECT Summary



Environmental Assessment Progress

Project Phase 1 “problem or opportunities”, Phase 2 “alternative solutions”, and Phase 3 “alternative design concepts” have been completed for the East Don Trail EA. The project is currently in Phase 4 “Environmental Study Report”, with Phase 5 “Implementation” anticipated to commence in early 2015, pending approval.

Phase 1 - Complete

During Phase 1 the project study area and objectives were defined and the need for the project (i.e. a multi-use trail) was identified through the problem and opportunity statement. In addition a detailed inventory of the existing conditions of the study area was undertaken.

A public meeting was held on February 13, 2013 to introduce the study to the public and receive feedback on the project objectives. An invitation to participate in the Community Liaison Committee (CLC) was extended to members of the public during this event. The CLC was formed in March of 2013 and included participants who expressed interest at the public event, and members identified by the TRCA, City of Toronto and local municipal councilors to ensure a balanced and broad spectrum of opinions and geographies with the study area were represented

Phase 2 – Complete

Phase 2 looked at different ways of addressing the identified problem and opportunity statement and was undertaken in a two-step process: alternatives to and alternative trail alignments. Alternatives to looked at and evaluated the “do nothing” approach against providing a multi-use trail connection. Providing a multi-use trail connection was selected as the preferred and a number of trail route options were created termed alternative trail alignments. Alternative trail alignments were identified, evaluated and a preferred was selected.

A second public meeting was held on September 12, 2013 that focused on existing site conditions and the alternative trail alignments. Based on public and stakeholder input, the trail alignments presented at this meeting were revised, evaluated and presented to the CLC and a preferred alignment was selected.

Phase 3 – Complete

In Phase 3 the preferred alternative trail alignment was further refined based on detailed field work (flood analysis, tree inventory and topography) and a number of alternative design concepts were developed. The design concepts were evaluated and presented to the public at the third and final public meeting, held June 24, 2014. Following the public meeting a few segments were refined and a preferred alternative design concept was selected based on input received. A few portions of the preferred design concept still require landowner approval, specifically two preliminary preferred level crossings of the Metrolinx rail line. A safety assessment of these level crossings is currently underway.

Additionally, parameters of the preferred design concept were further refined and will inform the detailed design phase including: trail design guidelines, watercourse crossings, rail line crossings, drainage and stormwater management, utilities, easement requirements, construction staging, monitoring and maintenance considerations, preliminary cost estimates and necessary permits and approvals. Additionally the potential environmental effects and proposed mitigation measures for the preferred design have been outlined. This information was presented to the CLC and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for feedback.

EAST DON TRAIL EA PROJECT Summary



Phase 4 – In Progress

The final Environmental Study Report (ESR) is currently being drafted. The ESR will be provided to the CLC and the TAC for a draft review prior to filing with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change for a 30 day public review.

Phase 5 – Pending Approval of the ESR

During Phase 5 the preferred design concept will be refined into a final detailed design, necessary permits will be obtained, and the project will proceed to construction adhering to the environmental provisions and commitments made in the ESR. In addition the following plans will be developed: construction management, monitoring, restoration, and operations and maintenance.

Implementation Timeline

The current approach is to divide the detailed design and construction into 3 distinct phases, based on geographic area, in order to construct priority sections first, accommodate budgetary constraints and reduce risks involved in tendering and construction (see map below).

Implementation Phase 1 – Lower Don Trail to Gatineau Hydro Corridor

The detailed design is anticipated to start early 2015, with planned construction to start late 2015 or early 2016. This portion of the proposed East Don Trail is the first priority section to be built as it will form part of the Pan Am Path legacy. The Pan Am Path will be a continuous multi-use pathway across the city; approximately 80km in length, connecting Toronto's existing trails and creating an active-living legacy for the Toronto 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games. The path will connect users from across the city from the northwest border of Brampton to the southeast border of Pickering.

Phase 1 contains two existing paved/gravel access routes which will be formalized into a multi-use trail. As the footprint of these routes already exists and the public is informally using them, implementing Phase 1 first will allow a large portion of the trail to be built and used in a timely manner allowing for managed use thus increase user safety.

Implementation Phase 2 – Existing East Don to Eglinton Avenue

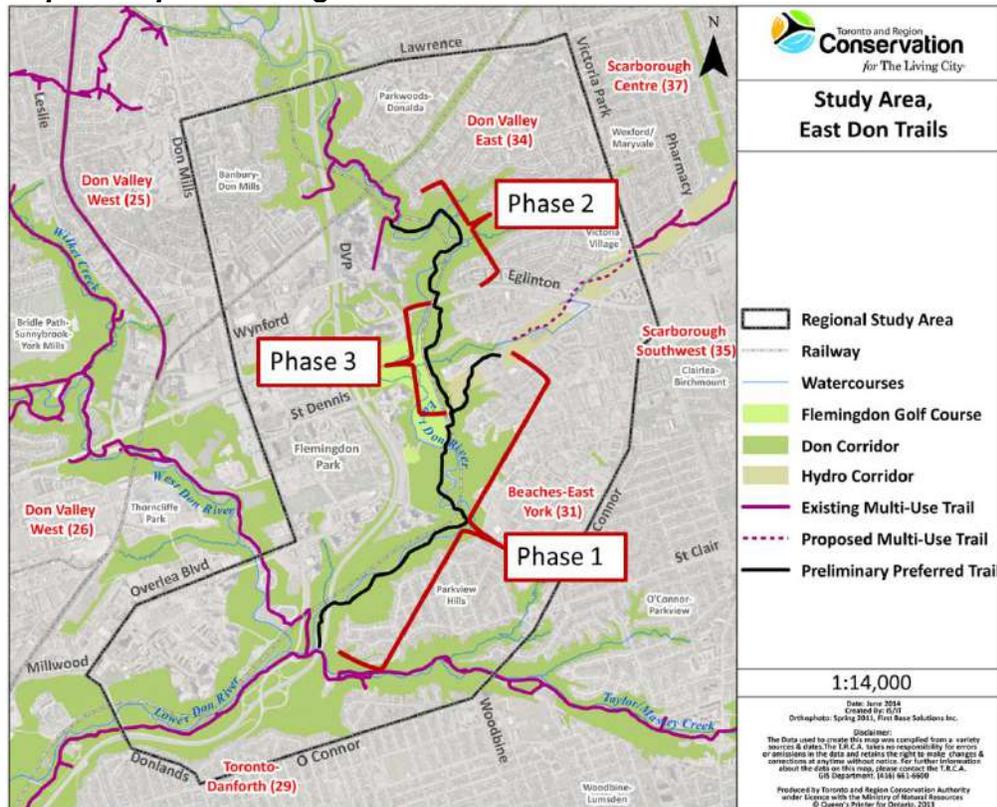
Detailed design and construction is anticipated to begin 2017/2018

Implementation Phase 3 – Eglinton Avenue to Gatineau Hydro Corridor

Detailed design and construction is anticipated to begin following Phase 2 completion.

EAST DON TRAIL EA PROJECT Summary

Map of Proposed Design and Construction Phases based on Area



Public Consultation

Public and agency consultation has been fundamental in the decision making process of the East Don Trail EA. Through consultation the public, local interest groups, non-government organizations, and federal, provincial and municipal agencies have been kept informed and have provided valuable comments and insights. A few key activities undertaken as part of the public consultation are provided below:

- Three (3) public events
- Seven (7) Community Liaison Committee meetings
- Five (5) Aboriginal notifications (with follow up phone calls and meetings)
- Updates and meetings with affected ward Councillors
- Updates and meetings with review agencies
- Updates and meetings with key stakeholders (those owning or operating land or utilities within the study area)
- Seven (7) Technical Advisory Committee meetings
- One (1) meeting with the City of Toronto Community Disability Steering Committee

For all public information materials for this project visit:

<http://www.toronto.ca/eastdontrail>

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To: chunmei.liu@ontario.ca
Cc: solange.desautels@ontario.ca
Subject: East Don Trail EA - Update
Date: 09/07/2016 03:07 PM
Attachments: [EDT Update Preferred RA.pdf](#)

Good afternoon Chunmei,

As you may be aware, the City of Toronto and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority are conducting a Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to study options for a multi-use trail system within the East Don Corridor. The proposed trail would provide a key connection in the multi-use trail network joining the existing East Don Trail (East of Wynford Heights Crescent), Gatineau Corridor Trail (at approximately Bermondsey Road), and the Lower Don Trail System.

The public, project stakeholders and review agencies are being asked to review and provide comments on the recent changes to the East Don Trail preferred design concept which includes the two rail line bridges. Please see the attached project update for more information on the preferred design concept.

If you have any questions or would like to provide comments, please do not hesitate to contact me. We are requesting comments from the public and stakeholders by **Wednesday, September 21, 2016.**

Thank you,



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EAST DON TRAIL EA

PROJECT UPDATE: Preferred Design Concept

BACKGROUND

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STATUS

The preferred trail design concept for the East Don Trail was presented to the public and stakeholders in 2014, at that time two preliminary preferred level crossings of the rail line still required review and approval. In 2015 additional details on the design, construction and mitigation measures for the remainder of the preferred design concept were developed while review and discussion on the two level crossings continued. Results of these discussions indicated that it is Metrolinx/GO's policy direction to not permit any new level crossings of active rail corridors, and therefore the level crossings could not be selected as the preferred crossing options. The final preferred design concept has been amended to include two bridge crossings of the Metrolinx rail line, Metrolinx Crossing 2 and 3 (refer to Figure 1).

EAST DON TRAIL PREFERRED DESIGN CONCEPT

The previously presented preferred design concept for the East Don Trail remains the same, except for the amendment of the two level crossings to two rail line bridge crossings. The preferred option of crossing the Metrolinx rail line at the three additional locations remain unchanged and include two tunnel crossings and one underpass. The final preferred design concept, including the two proposed rail line bridges can be seen in Figure 1.

RAIL LINE BRIDGES

Both bridges will be designed and built to span the Metrolinx right-of-way, ranging from 45 to 60m long, the specific sizing of these crossings will be completed in the detailed design project phase. Both bridges will aim to meet a minimum of 7.4 m vertical clearance, the distance from the rail line to the bottom of the bridge structure. Bridge width will be determined with the function of a multi-use trail in mind, aiming for a clearway width of at least 3.5 m.

Further design and implementation considerations may include: bridge surface material type to consider an anti-slip surface, railing height and design to consider safety of trail users and rail line operations, bridge abutments and load requirements.

To transition trail users from the trail at ground level to the bridges over the rail line three design approaches will be explored: multi-use trail switchbacks, sloped walkways, and raised ramp structures. The specific dimensions for each of these will be determined during the detailed design project phase, and will consider: grades, number and location of landings/resting areas, handrails, guards, length, width, and turn radius.

EAST DON TRAIL EA

PROJECT UPDATE: Preferred Design Concept

The design of the bridges and transition areas will be done in consultation with Metrolinx and will work to meet the Ontario Accessibility Standards for the Design of Public Spaces Guidelines (2013), the Toronto Multi-Use Trail Design Guidelines (2014), City of Toronto Accessibility Design Guidelines (2004), and all applicable Transport Canada and Metrolinx standards.

NEXT STEPS

The public, project stakeholders and review agencies are being asked to review and provide comment on the recent changes to the East Don Trail preferred design concept which includes the two rail line bridges. Any comments are requested by **Wednesday, September 21, 2016**. Following this two week review period, any necessary changes or additions will be made to the new proposed rail line bridge crossings and the Environmental Study Report (ESR) will be updated. The ESR will be filed with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change for a 30 day public review period.

EAST DON TRAIL EA

PROJECT UPDATE: Preferred Design Concept

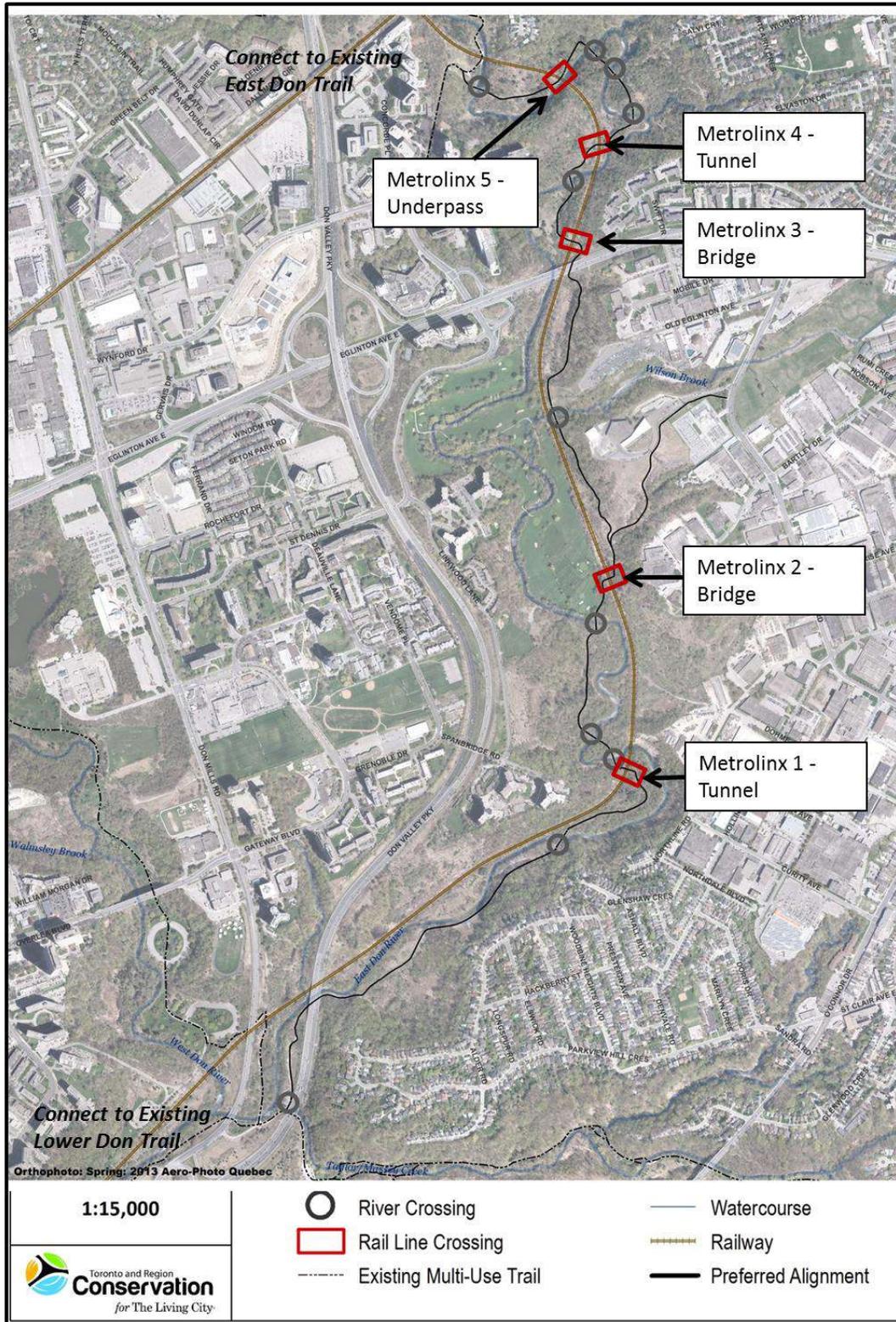


Figure 1: East Don Trail Preferred Design Concept



Fw: RE: East Don Trail EA: application of the MOI Class EA process

Maria Zintchenko to: Violetta Tkaczuk

11/19/2015 08:04 AM

-----Forwarded by Maria Zintchenko/TRCA on 11/19/2015 08:03AM -----

To: Maria Zintchenko <MZintchenko@trca.on.ca>

From: "Berube, Margaret (MNRF)" <Margaret.Berube@ontario.ca>

Date: 11/18/2015 04:10PM

Subject: RE: East Don Trail EA: application of the MOI Class EA process

Hi Maria,

As you know, Aurora District continues to work with the TRCA who is leading this Municipal Class EA for the City of Toronto. MNRF may have some concerns regarding potential natural heritage features within the project area, but we are confident that these concerns will be address to our satisfaction through the Municipal Class EA process. Therefore, we have no concerns regarding the disposition associated with the MOI Class EA process for the lands designated Hydro-electric Power Commission and Hydro One Networks Inc.

Margaret

From: Maria Zintchenko [mailto:MZintchenko@trca.on.ca]

Sent: November-16-15 12:35 PM

To: Almond, John (MNRF)

Cc: ESA Aurora (MNRF); Berube, Margaret (MNRF); Violetta Tkaczuk; jhyland@toronto.ca

Subject: East Don Trail EA: application of the MOI Class EA process

Hello John,

As you may be aware, City of Toronto and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) are in the process of completing a Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the East Don Trail and associated access connections within the East Don valley lands.

The Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure (MEDEI) owns lands in the Study Area that are proposed to be granted as an easement, based on the preferred solution recommended in this study (see Figure attached). While owned by MEDEI, these lands are managed by Infrastructure Ontario. As a result, this portion of the proposed trail is also being addressed in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Infrastructure (MOI) Class EA process. Following consultation with the Infrastructure Ontario, it has been determined that the undertaking falls under MOI Class EA Category B undertaking.

As per the MOI Class EA process, City of Toronto and TRCA are requesting that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) inform the City of Toronto and TRCA if you have any concerns with the East Don Trail study being undertaken according to the MOI Class EA process. The response can be in the form of an email reply to this email.

Please note this email is only seeking clearance or concerns in regards to the East Don Trail study being undertaken according to the MOI Class EA process. Any previous consultation we have engaged in (for example in regards to Species at Risk) is still ongoing and your response to this email will not be taken as a response to those discussions.

If you could please respond by Wednesday, November 18th, 2015. I apologize for the short notice. We were made aware of this requirement only recently and have plans to file the East Don Trail EA Environmental Study Report by the end of this month. A response from the MNRF in regards to this study being undertaken according to the MOI Class EA process is required prior to the filing date in order to be included in the Environmental Study Report.

Your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

I will follow up with a phone call later today. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Maria

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Myslicki, Lisa (IO) to: Violetta Tkaczuk
Cc: "Dieterman, Frank (IO)", "Iannetta, Matthew (IO)"

11/24/2015 01:52 PM

History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Violetta, our archaeologist has now reviewed the proposal in the context of your EA. Frank has reviewed the proposal and determined that MEDEI Duty to Consult requirements are not required. You may proceed to post your EA (assuming all of our other requirements have been satisfied).

Please let me know if you have any questions or require anything else.

(Mat, please file with the appropriate notice).

Regards,

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Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 2:18 PM
To: Myslicki, Lisa (IO); Iannetta, Matthew (IO)
Cc: jhyland@toronto.ca; Maria Zintchenko
Subject: Re: East Don Trail ESR

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Please let me know if you have any questions on these items.

Thank you;

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To: "lannetta, Matthew (IO)" <Matthew.lannetta@infrastructureontario.ca>, "Myslicki, Lisa (IO)" <Lisa.Myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca>,

Cc: jhyland@toronto.ca, Maria Zintchenko/TRCA@MTRCA

Date: 11/17/2015 03:26 PM

Subject: East Don Trail ESR

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This section review the easements that will be required for the trail, including on IO managed lands within the Hydro Corridor

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East Don Trail - North York 632.1-5317
Myslicki, Lisa (IO) to: Violetta Tkaczuk
Cc: "Iannetta, Matthew (IO)"

12/01/2015 12:46 PM

Hi Violetta,

Please use this wording for Duty to Consult:

The Crown has a legal obligation to consult with Aboriginal peoples where it contemplates decisions or actions that may adversely impact asserted or established Aboriginal or treaty rights. The requirement for Aboriginal consultation is determined by the Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure and facilitated by its agency, Infrastructure Ontario. For this realty undertaking, the Provincial requirement for Aboriginal consultation was determined to be sufficient as completed by the Proponent within the Municipal Class EA framework.

Regards,

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RE: East Don Trail ESR 
Violetta Tkaczuk to: Myslicki, Lisa (IO)

12/01/2015 09:46 AM

Hello Lisa,

As per the email sting below we have added an introduction section about IO's process (section 2.2, this does follow the MEA blurb), I will review the write up to ensure the language you suggested below is incorporated.

Yes please let us know about the First Nations wording, and if any changes are required.

As for the notice I sent you a separate email that should be in your inbox now.

Thank you;

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"Myslicki, Lisa (IO)"

Hi Violetta, I am just checking with our archaeo...

12/01/2015 09:37:55 AM

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Date: 12/01/2015 09:37 AM
Subject: RE: East Don Trail ESR

Hi Violetta, I am just checking with our archaeologist on the First Nations wording. Please make sure that you provide a small blurb at the very beginning of your ESR report (next to the MEA blurb) about how this process is being streamlined and both EA processes are being undertaken at the same time. In that section, please ensure that the undertakings of "easement and any other associated realty undertaking" will be required to be granted by MEDEI. These are the undertakings that MEDEI will be assessing through the streamlined Class EA these undertakings "easement and any other related realty activity" needs to be articulated in the consultation with the stakeholders, the notice of completion and at the introduction of the Class EA. Also, I do not see a Notice of Completion. Can you send it my way for review?

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Subject: RE: East Don Trail ESR

Hello Lisa,

Thanks for the message, that is great news. Can you please confirm if you or Matthew will be providing any comments in regards to the ESR and Notice of Completion sent to you last week?

Thank you for your continued work and support towards helping us get the East Don Trail ESR filed!

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Thank you."

From: [Daniel Brent](#)
To: lisa.myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca
Cc: [Violetta Savage](#); [Maria Zintchenko](#); [Renee Afoom-Boateng](#)
Subject: Letter from TRCA regarding CFN 52418.025: East Don Trail Disposition
Date: 01/08/2016 02:37 PM
Attachments: [52418.025 East Don Trail Disposition.pdf](#)

Hi Lisa,

As discussed with Violetta, attached is our response regarding the disposition of lands for this project. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Daniel x5774

Daniel Brent, B.Comm., M.SEM.

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January 8, 2016

CFN 52418.025
XREF CFN 46697

BY E-MAIL ONLY (lisa.myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca)

Ms. Lisa Myslicki
c/o Infrastructure Ontario
1 Dundas St. W, Suite 2000
Toronto, ON M5G 2L5

Dear Ms. Myslicki:

**Re: Response to Request for Comments
Infrastructure Ontario (IO) Disposition of Lands, East Don Trail/Gatineau Hydro Corridor
Class Environmental Assessment (EA) – Category B
Don River Watershed; City of Toronto – North York**

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) staff received the inquiry with respect to the above property via e-mail on December 17, 2015. We understand the proposal involves the disposition of Infrastructure Ontario lands located in the Gatineau Hydro Corridor, east of the Don Valley Parkway. We understand this disposition is necessary for the future East Don Trail project, the environmental assessment for which will be filed in early 2016.

According to TRCA mapping, a portion of the subject property is regulated under Ontario Regulation 166/06. The top of valley bank for this valley corridor falls on this property. No environmentally significant areas (ESAs) or areas of natural and scientific interest (ANSIs) have been identified on the subject parcel. The site does not fall in the regional storm flood plain. Additionally, parts of the property have been identified as existing natural cover area through TRCA's terrestrial natural heritage system (TNHS) with meadow and forest natural cover.

Please be advised this letter does not alleviate Infrastructure Ontario from seeking other federal, provincial or municipal approvals. TRCA staff has no further concerns with the disposition of lands.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at extension 5774 or at dbrent@trca.on.ca.

Yours truly,

Daniel Brent, B.Comm., M.SEM.
Planner II, Environmental Assessment Planning
Planning and Development

BY E-MAIL

cc:

TRCA: Violetta Savage, Project Management Office
Maria Zintchenko, Project Management Office
Renée Afoom-Boateng, Planning and Development



FW: Comments for The Infrastructure Ontario (IO) Disposition of Lands , East Don Trail/Gatineau Hydro Corridor

Leah Wannamaker to: 'Violetta Savage'

10/25/2016 07:23 AM

Hi Violetta, I see that you weren't cc's on this. Here's the letter you requested.

Regards

Leah

From: Justin Wong

Sent: October-24-16 9:32 AM

To: 'lisa.myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca'

Cc: 'DBrent@trca.on.ca'; Leah Wannamaker

Subject: Comments for The Infrastructure Ontario (IO) Disposition of Lands, East Don Trail/Gatineau Hydro Corridor

Good Morning,

Please see attached comments for the Infrastructure Ontario (IO) Disposition of Lands, East Don Trail/Gatineau Hydro Corridor.

Regards,

Justin Wong
Support Assistant
PF&R, Urban Forestry
18 Dyas Road, 1st Floor
Toronto M3B 1V5
416 392-7316
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October 21, 2016

BY E-MAIL ONLY (lisa.myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca)

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c/o Infrastructure Ontario
1 Dundas St. W., Suite 2000
Toronto, ON, M5G 2L5

Dear Ms. Myslicki:

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Corridor
Class Environmental Assessment (EA) – Category B
Don River Watershed; City of Toronto – North York**

City of Toronto, Urban Forestry (UF) staff understand the proposal for the above mentioned property involves the disposition of Infrastructure Ontario (IO) lands located in the Gatineau Hydro Corridor, east of the Don Valley Parkway. We understand this disposition is necessary for the future East Don Trail project, the environmental assessment for which will be filed November 10, 2016.

A portion of the subject property is regulated under the Ravine & Natural Feature Protection By-law, Chapter 658 of the City of Toronto Municipal Code. It is applicable throughout the City of Toronto and regulates certain activities within protected areas as defined in Schedule A of the By-law. Specifically, the purpose of the By-law is to promote the management, protection and conservation of ravines and associated natural and woodland areas and to prohibit and regulate the injury and destruction of trees, filling, grading and dumping in defined areas. A permit is required to conduct any of the above activities on ravine protected lands.

The lands are also designated as part of the City's Natural Heritage System shown on Map 9 of the Official Plan (OP) and so the building and operating of the future east Don Trail project will have to satisfy the applicable OP policies. No environmentally significant areas (ESAs) or areas of natural and scientific interest (ANSIs) have been identified on the subject parcel.

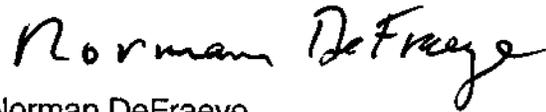
According to Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) mapping, a portion of the subject property is regulated under Ontario Regulation 166/06.

Please be advised that this letter does not alleviate Infrastructure Ontario from seeking any other necessary approvals.

City of Toronto, Urban Forestry has no further concerns regarding the disposition of lands associated with the MOI Class EA process for the lands designated Hydro-electric Power Commission and Hydro One Networks Inc.

Should you require any additional information please contact Leah Wannamaker at lseign@toronto.ca or 416-392-1900.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Norman DeFraeye". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Norman DeFraeye
Supervisor, Ravine & Natural Feature Protection

cc: Violetta Savage, Project Management Office
Daniel Brent, Planner, TRCA

From: [Violetta Savage](#)
To: [Myslicki, Lisa \(IO\)](#)
Subject: North York 632.1-5317 - East Don Trail EA
Date: 08/02/2016 11:47 AM

Hello Lisa,

I would like to take this opportunity to update you on the progress and current status of the East Don Trail Environmental Assessment (EA) - IO file number North York 632.1-5317.

I had been in correspondence with yourself and Matthew last year regarding ensuring the East Don EA meets IO's due diligence requirements and that the EA is following IO's EA process. At that time we were close to filing the ESR, however due to unexpected comments from one of our Key Stakeholders concerning the preferred alternative filing the EA was placed on hold. Since last year, the project team has been exploring and confirming the most appropriate solution for the preferred alternative, and we are aiming to have a final solution in the upcoming month.

I wanted to touch base to let you know the status (we have not filed yet) and to confirm where we are in meeting IO's requirements.

We had already received comments from you in regards to the following:

- Notice of completion wording
- ESR - including info on stream lined EA process (IO and MCEA) and a section on how this EA meets IO's EA requirements
- MEDEI Duty to Consult requirements are not required

We have included all your comments in the ESR and Notice, the last item we are still working on is obtaining a letter from the City of Toronto for your due diligence requirements (as per email below). We have already received letters from the TRCA and MNR, however finding the proper individual at the City has been tricky. Once we receive this letter I will forward that information, along with the other two letters.

I will keep you updated as the EA moves forward, in the mean time if you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kindest Regards;

Violetta Savage (Tkaczuk) | Project Manager I, Project Management Office
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority

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----- Forwarded by Violetta Savage/TRCA on 08/02/2016 11:29 AM -----

From: "Iannetta, Matthew (IO)" <Matthew.Iannetta@infrastructureontario.ca>
To: "'Violetta Savage'" <VSavage@TRCA.on.ca>,

Date: 12/15/2015 03:37 PM
Subject: RE: East Don Trail ESR

Hi Violetta,

I do understand it seems redundant, but for the purposes of our due diligence requirements, IO still needs some sort of documentation from all proponents to be included in the ESR. Please include correspondence with the TRCA and City of Toronto (same articulation of IO/MEDEIs undertaking that was outlined in correspondence with the MNR) in Appendix A and then send me a copy for review. I'm not sure if these contacts are outdated, but I have the following names listed for consultation purposes:

City of Toronto: North York District Community Planning Office – **Gabriella**

Vitta (gabriella.vitta@toronto.ca) (416) 396-7000 or (416) 396-7135

TRCA: **Harsha Gammanpila** (416) 661-6600 X 5629 hgammanpila@trca.on.ca and **Brian**

Storozinski (416) 661-6600 X 5744 bstorozinski@trca.on.ca

Please let me know if you have any questions. Furthermore my last day at IO is this upcoming Friday – if you have any questions following December 18 please direct them to Lisa Myslicki.

Thank you,

Matthew

From: Violetta Savage [mailto:VSavage@TRCA.on.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2015 7:58 AM

To: Iannetta, Matthew (IO)

Subject: RE: East Don Trail ESR

Hello Matthew

Thank you for your response.

In terms of the correspondence from the listed stakeholders I have a few comments:
-I have attached the correspondence from MNR
-as the project is being undertaken by the City of Toronto and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, and our TAC has included a variety of individuals from both agencies, do we still require some type of correspondence? I thought being the

proponent we would not require this. If we do, who does it need to be from?
-I can send along Appendix A if you would like, it is very large which is why I have just attached the relevant correspondence.

Thank you;

Violetta Savage (Tkaczuk) | Project Manager I, Project Management Office
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From: "Iannetta, Matthew (IO)" <Matthew.Iannetta@infrastructureontario.ca>
To: "'Violetta Tkaczuk'" <VTkaczuk@TRCA.on.ca>,
Date: 12/10/2015 02:42 PM
Subject: RE: East Don Trail ESR

Hi Violetta,

I apologize for the delay. It looks like we will be able to rely upon the ESR for IO's due diligence requirements; however before I can confirm reliance on the ESR, I need to see Appendix A which contains articulation of the easement undertaking to the agency stakeholders (MNRF, CA, Municipality) and their responses.

Regards,

Matthew Iannetta

Environmental Associate

Infrastructure Ontario

1 Dundas St. West, Suite 2000

Toronto, Ontario M5G 2L5

(416)-327-6921

From: Violetta Tkaczuk [<mailto:VTkaczuk@TRCA.on.ca>]

Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 3:12 PM

To: Myslicki, Lisa (IO)

Cc: Dieterman, Frank (IO); Iannetta, Matthew (IO)

Subject: RE: East Don Trail ESR

Hello Lisa,

Thanks for the message, that is great news. Can you please confirm if you or Matthew will be providing any comments in regards to the ESR and Notice of Completion sent to you last week?

Thank you for your continued work and support towards helping us get the East Don Trail ESR filed!

Violetta Tkaczuk | Project Manager I, Project Management Office
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From: "Myslicki, Lisa (IO)" <Lisa.Myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca>

To: Violetta Tkaczuk <VTkaczuk@TRCA.on.ca>,

Cc: "Dieterman, Frank (IO)" <Frank.Dieterman@infrastructureontario.ca>, "Iannetta, Matthew (IO)" <Matthew.Iannetta@infrastructureontario.ca>

Date: 11/24/2015 01:52 PM

Subject: RE: East Don Trail ESR

Hi Violetta, our archaeologist has now reviewed the proposal in the context of your EA. Frank has reviewed the proposal and determined that MEDEI Duty to Consult requirements are not required. You may proceed to post your EA (assuming all of our other requirements have been satisfied).

Please let me know if you have any questions or require anything else.

(Mat, please file with the appropriate notice).

Regards,



Lisa Myslicki, M.Env.Sc.,
Environmental Specialist
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✉ Email: lisa.myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca



From: Violetta Tkaczuk [<mailto:VTkaczuk@TRCA.on.ca>]

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 2:18 PM

To: Myslicki, Lisa (IO); Iannetta, Matthew (IO)

Cc: jhyland@toronto.ca; Maria Zintchenko

Subject: Re: East Don Trail ESR

Hello Lisa and Matthew,

I just wanted to follow up on the status of your review of the East Don Trail ESR and notice of completion. Do you know when you will have comments back to us? Or do you have any questions? In addition, any word on the MEDEI duty to consult response?

I also wanted to update you on two items:

-we have deferred our file date (was suppose to be December 3rd), we are hoping to set a new file date soon, but I will wait to hear back from you on the items above prior to setting one.

-we have heard back from the MNR, they stated "we have no concerns regarding the disposition associated with the MOE Class EA process for the alnds designated Hydro-electric Power Commission and Hydro One Networks Inc."

Please let me know if you have any questions on these items.

Thank you;

Violetta Tkaczuk | Project Manager I, Project Management Office
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From: Violetta Tkaczuk/TRCA

To: "Iannetta, Matthew (IO)" <Matthew.Iannetta@infrastructureontario.ca>, "Myslicki, Lisa (IO)" <Lisa.Myslicki@infrastructureontario.ca>,

Cc: jhyland@toronto.ca, Maria Zintchenko/TRCA@MTRCA

Date: 11/17/2015 03:26 PM

Subject: East Don Trail ESR

Hello Matthew and Lisa,

Please find attached the dropbox link to the draft East Don Trail EA ESR.

Dropbox link:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/83rmql0g7a7vhz9/EDT_Draft_Full_ESR_17Nov2015_sent%20to%20IO.pdf?dl=0

The East Don Trail ESR is quite large, therefore to focus your review I have outlined the sections that pertain to IO's EA process or IO as a stakeholder

-Section 2.2: Ministry of Infrastructure Public Work Class Environmental Assessment Process

This section review the requirements of IO's EA process

-Section 8.8.3: Infrastructure/Utilities and Key Stakeholder – Infrastructure Ontario
This section outlines how we have meet the requirements of IO's EA and refers to the specific sections in the East Don Trail ESR where the supplementary information can be found. Please note that we will update this section to reflect comments from yourself, the duty to consult correspondence, and the reply from MNR.

-Section 8.9: Property Requirements

This section review the easements that will be required for the trail, including on IO managed lands within the Hydro Corridor

Can you please let me know when I can expect comments back from you.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you;

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PHASE 4 - CORRESPONDENCE

November 10, 2016

**Re: Notice of Completion – East Don Trail – Schedule C Municipal Class
Environmental Assessment and Ministry of Infrastructure and Public Works Class
Environmental Assessment**

Please be advised that the City of Toronto and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) have completed a study to determine a trail route that would provide a connection in the multi-use trail network between the existing East Don Trail, the Gatineau Trail, and the Don Trail System. This trail system is proposed within the valleylands of the East Don River from Lawrence Avenue East to the north and where the West Don, Don Mills Road and Don Valley Parkway meet to the south.

The recommended solution, as documented in the Environmental Study Report (ESR), is an approximately 3.6 to 4 metre wide, 4.8 kilometre long, asphalt multi-use trail routed within the East Don corridor. The route includes nine bridges over the East Don River, one over Taylor Massey Creek and two other tributaries, as well as five railway crossings.

The Study was carried out following the requirements for Schedule C projects under the Municipal Class EA process and in accordance with the Ministry of Infrastructure (MOI) Class EA requirements.

The ESR is available for review on the project webpage: www.toronto.ca/eastdontrail

Please find attached the Notice of Completion. If you have any questions or comments regarding this study, please contact Violetta Savage, Project Manager, at vsavage@trca.on.ca or (416) 661-6600 ext. 5755 within the 30-day review period, from **November 10, 2016, to December 9, 2016.**

Sincerely,



Caitlin Rochon

Project Coordinator, Project Management Office

Encl. Notice of Completion

East Don Trail

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment and Ministry of Infrastructure Public Work Class Environmental Assessment - Notice of Completion

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Opportunities for Review

The study was carried out following the requirements for Schedule C projects under the Municipal Class EA process and in accordance with the Ministry of Infrastructure (MOI) Class EA requirements. An Environmental Study Report (ESR) has been prepared and is available for a 30 day period from **November 10, 2016 to December 9, 2016**, for review at the following libraries:

Thornccliffe	Flemingdon Park	Victoria Village
48 Thornccliffe Park Dr.	29 St. Dennis Dr.	184 Sloane Ave.
416-396-3865	416-395-5820	416-395-5950

Please call or check online to confirm hours of operation.

The ESR is also available on the project's webpage at: toronto.ca/eastdontrail

Interested persons may provide written comments to City staff within the 30 calendar day period. Comments should be directed to:

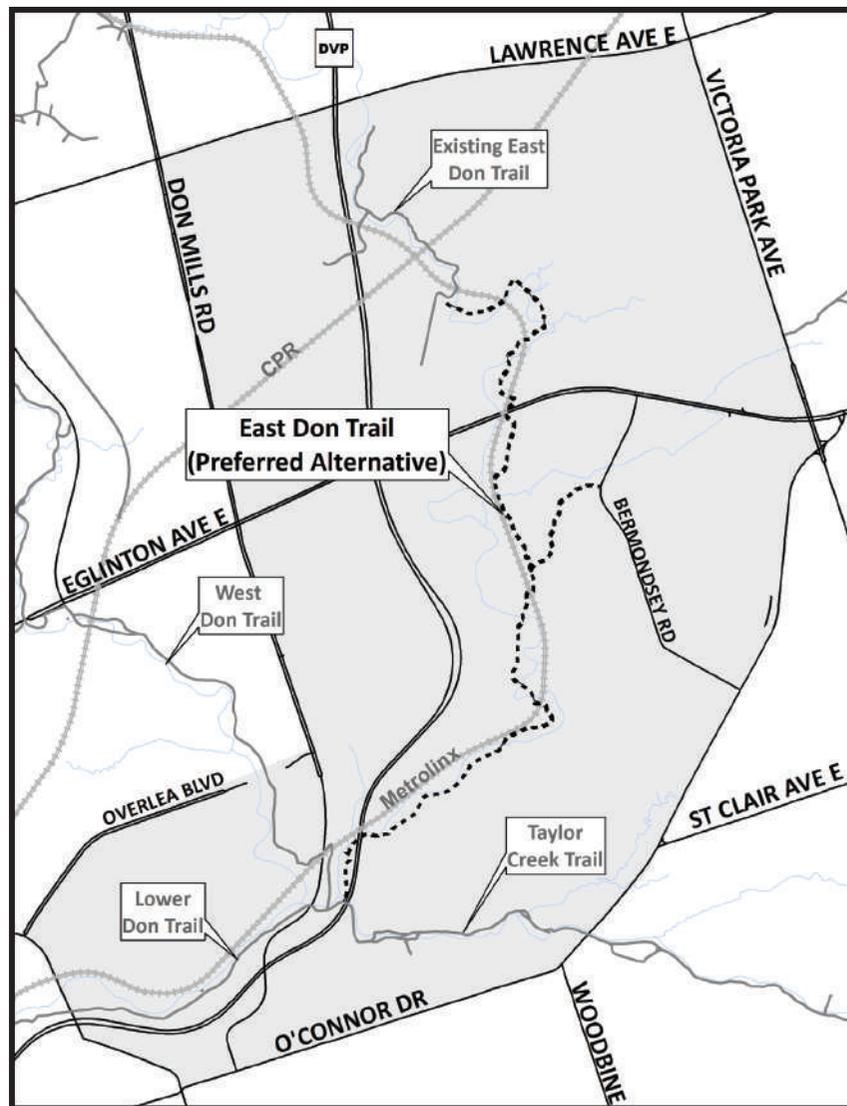
Maogosha Pyjor
Public Consultation Unit, City of Toronto
Metro Hall, 19th Fl., 55 John St. Toronto, ON M5V 3C6
Tel: 416-338-2850 Fax: 416-392-2974 TTY: 416-338-0889
E-mail: mpyjor@toronto.ca

Subject to comments received as a result of this study and the receipt of necessary approvals and funding, the City intends to proceed with the implementation of the East Don Trail.

If concerns regarding this project remain unresolved after consulting with City staff, a person can request that the project be subject to a Part II Order by the Minister of the Environment & Climate Change. Part II Order requests must be written and received by the Minister, with a

The Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure (MEDEI) owns lands in the Study Area in which an easement (and any other associated but required realty activities) is proposed to be obtained, based on the preferred solutions recommended in this study. As a result, the portions of the proposed trail within the MEDEI landholdings are also being addressed in accordance with the requirements of the MOI Class EA.

Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. All comments will become part of the public record. Unless you request that your personal information remain confidential, all personal information included in a Part II Order request is available to the general public under the authority of the Environmental Assessment Act and/or s.37 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. For more information, please contact the Ministry's Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1434.



copy to the City, at the following addresses within 30 calendar days following the date of this Notice:

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77 Wellesley St. W., Ferguson Block, 11th Fl.
Toronto, ON M7A 2T5
AND
Ministry of the Environment & Climate Change
Environmental Approvals Branch
135 St. Clair Ave. W., 1st Fl.
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Issue Date: November 10, 2016