



Highway 407 East

407 East Advisory Committee (EAC)

Meeting #14

Agenda

Monday June 1, 2015

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Regional Municipality of Durham, Regional Headquarters

605 Rossland Rd. E, Whitby, ON

Meeting Room I-A

Purpose:

- a) Confirm approval of the 407 EAC meeting #13 minutes;
- b) Provide the 407 EAC members with an update on Phase 1 implementation;
- c) Provide the 407 EAC members with an update on Phase 2 procurement; and
- d) Provide an opportunity for Questions and Answers.

1:30 p.m. 1. Opening remarks, purpose of the meeting and agenda review

Peter Verok, MTO Regional Director, Central Region

1:40 p.m. 2. Confirm approval of Minutes from 407 EAC meeting #13

Calvin Curtis / All

1:45 p.m. 3. Update on Phase 1 implementation

Calvin Curtis and Darlene Proudfoot / Chris Brown

2:15 p.m. 4. Questions and Answers

Calvin Curtis / All

2:25 p.m. 5. Break

2:35 p.m. 6. Update on Phase 2 procurement

Faisal Khan and Darlene Proudfoot / Chris Brown

3:00 p.m. 7. Questions and Answers

Faisal Khan / All

3:10 p.m. 8. Other business, next meeting and adjourn

Calvin Curtis

Map to 407 EAC Meeting

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**[Parking entrance from Garden St., south of Rossland Rd. E]
Meeting Room I-A**



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Date: Monday, June 1, 2015; 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Meeting Room: I-A, Regional Municipality of Durham, Regional Headquarters, Whitby

Attendees:

- Peter Chackeris (MTO, Manger, Major Projects Office)
- Calvin Curtis (MTO, Head Phase 1, MPO)
- Faisal Khan (MTO, Head Phase 2, MPO)
- Chris Brown (MTO, Senior Environmental Planner, MPO)
- Dawnett Allen (MTO, Environmental Planner, MPO)
- Diane Naluzny (MTO, Communications Specialist, MPO)
- Anjhela Salonga (*Parsons, 407 Owner's Engineer, EAC Coordinator*)
- Paul Gee (Regional Municipality of Durham, Manager, Transportation Design)
- Jeff Brooks (City of Pickering, Manager of Policy and Geomatics)
- Hubert Ng (Town of Ajax, Senior Transportation Planner)
- Gary Carroll (City of Oshawa, Director, Engineering Services)
- Mike May (Town of Whitby, Project Engineer), alternate for Greg Hardy
- Ron Albright (Munic. of Clarington, Assistant Director, Engineering Services) alternate for Tony Cannella
- Ross Lashbrook (MOECC, Manager, Technical Support- Central Region)
- Perry Sisson (CLOCA, Director, Engineering and Field Operations)
- Sharon Lingertat (TRCA, Sr. Planner, Environmental Assessment), alternate for Beth Williston

Members Not Present:

- Peter Verok (MTO, Regional Director, Central Region)
- Darlene Proudfoot (MTO, Senior Environmental Planner, MPO)
- Cliff Curtis (Regional Municipality of Durham, Commissioner of Works)
- Susan Siopis (Regional Municipality of Durham, Director of Transportation and Field Services)
- Suzanne Beale (Town of Whitby, Commissioner of Public Works)
- Greg Hardy (Town of Whitby, Manager, Engineering Services)
- Tony Cannella (Municipality of Clarington, Director, Engineering Services)
- Rob Dobos (Environment Canada, Manager, Environmental Assessment Section)
- Darla Cameron (CEAA, Section Lead)
- Gary Cooper (DFO, Fisheries Protection Biologist)
- Paul Heeney (MNRF, District Manager)
- Tom Farrell (MNRF, Aurora District)
- Greg Wells (GRCA, Manager, Planning & Regulations)
- Beth Williston (TRCA, Manager of Environmental Assessment Planning)

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Meeting Purpose:

The purpose of this meeting is to confirm approval of the minutes from the 407 EAC meeting #13 (November 5, 2014); to provide an update on tolling for the Highway 407 Project; to provide an update on Phase 1 implementation; provide an update on Phase 2 procurement status and environmental issues; and provide an opportunity for questions and answers.

Hard copies of the meeting agenda and minutes from the 407 EAC meeting #13 were distributed. Discussions were led by Calvin Curtis from MTO.

No.	Item	Action
1.0	Opening remarks, Purpose of the Meeting and Agenda Review	
1.1	Calvin Curtis chaired the meeting and initiated a round table of introductions.	
2.0	Review of Meeting #13 Minutes	
2.1	Item 4.2 CLOCA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action: MTO to confirm if a copy of 407 EDG’s measures to improve turbidity rates can be provided to CLOCA. ○ Response: MTO will not be sharing 407 EDG’s monitoring information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chris Brown noted that agencies could request data carried out under 407 EDG’s permits to take water from the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC). ▪ Calvin Curtis noted that Environment Canada, through changes in the Federal Fisheries Act, has now taken over duties from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans as far as enforcement of sediment control issues. ▪ Environment Canada has assigned staff to various subsections of the project. ▪ Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry continues to be involved with respect to streams that are designated as Redside Dace habitat. ▪ Environment Canada and DFO remain responsible for the non Redside Dace streams. 	
2.2	<u>Meeting #13 Minutes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meeting #13 (Nov. 2014) draft minutes were emailed to EAC members for review on January 5, 2015. ○ No comments were received. ○ On January 26, 2015 an email was sent to confirm that meeting #13 minutes had been finalized and uploaded to the website at: http://www.highway407east.com/documents/407-EAC-Meeting-13-Final-Agenda-and-Minutes.pdf 	

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3.0	Update on Phase 1 Implementation	
3.1	Key dates for Phase 1 and Phase 2 were highlighted.	
3.2	<p><u>Tolling</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Province has a Tolling Services Agreement with Canadian Tolling Company International Inc. for toll collection services. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rationale for utilizing the 407 ETR's existing tolling system includes the use of one transponder, integrated invoicing payment system, and single point of contact for customer enquiries. ▪ The Province will regulate and set the toll rates for Highway 407, 412, and 418. ○ Proposed initial toll rate, which includes time of day pricing and takes into account type of vehicle used, was posted on February 20, 2015 on the Regulatory Registry and very few comments were received. ○ The public can post questions on the Highway 407 East website (http://www.highway407east.com/) and the project team will respond to enquiries. ○ Gary Carroll requested that the EAC be informed regarding toll rates since members are not always aware of changes to regulations. ○ Action: MTO to keep EAC regularly informed regarding toll rates. ○ Post Meeting Note: On July 2nd an email with a link to the initial toll rates that will be in effect for Highways 407 and 412 as part of Phase 1 of this project. http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/highway-bridges/major-highway-projects.shtml[mto.gov.on.ca] 	MTO
3.3	<p><u>Construction Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Earth and granular placement – full production throughout project limits ○ Fabrication of pre-cast concrete elements – nearing completion ○ Asphalt placement – ongoing at Highway 401, starting on Highway 407 this week. ○ As of May 22: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Work ongoing at > 51 structures ▪ girders fabrication > 95% ▪ girders erection > 75% ▪ 26 bridge decks complete ○ EDG/ECGP maintains they will open the facility in December 2015. 	
3.4	<p><u>Simcoe Street Bridge Embossed – Consultation with First Nations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In consultation with the seven First Nations of the Williams Treaties, the Simcoe Street Bridge has been embossed with symbols and images that are important to the Anishinabek people, whose traditional territories are crossed by the highway. 	
3.5	<p><u>Brock Road Interchange</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New Brock Road Interchange to be partially opened to traffic by mid-June 2015. ○ The new Interchange should improve traffic on Highway 7 in advance of the Toronto 2015 Pan Am and Parapan Am games. ○ Post Meeting Note: During the weekend of August 7th, traffic was realigned onto the new Brock Road Interchange alignment; traffic signals at Brock Road and at the former Highway 7 detour were removed. The lane reductions currently in effect on Highway 7 will now remain until construction of Highway 407 is ready to receive traffic. 	

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3.6	<p><u>Environmental Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CEEA Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The 2014 CEEA Follow-up Monitoring Program Annual Report was submitted to the Federal Agencies in December, 2014. ▪ To date, no comments have been received by from the Federal Agencies. ○ MOECC Conditions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The 2014/2015 Annual Compliance Report was submitted to MOECC on May 29, 2015. One report was provided for the entire corridor. ▪ Digital copies of this report will be provided to EAC in June 2015. ○ Action: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MTO to send compliance monitoring documents to the EAC members. ○ Post Meeting Note: The ACR was accepted by MOECC on June 5, 2015. The compliance monitoring report was sent to the EAC on August 19th by Dawnett Allen of MTO. 	MTO
4.0	Questions and Answers	
	EAC members were provided an opportunity to ask questions regarding the project update.	
4.1	<p><u>TRCA</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sharon Lingertat requested copies of the stormwater management plan (SWM). <p><u>Response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Calvin Curtis confirmed that the intent is to provide all the SWM plans related to TRCA’s watershed area. ○ Action: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MTO to provide SWM plans for watershed areas along the corridor to the CAs after substantial completion. 	MTO
4.2	<p><u>Durham Region</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Paul Gee, asked if there are any proposed newspaper advertisements or newsletters that will indicate timing and/or duration of road closures with respect to Brock Road. <p><u>Response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Calvin Curtis indicated that MTO will follow-up on the status and timing of road realignment at Brock Road. ○ Post Meeting Note: The Brock Road Project Team engaged Paul Gee prior to the staging shifts. 	MTO
4.3	<p><u>City of Oshawa</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gary Carroll requested the status of the commuter parking facilities, such as the Brock Road/south of Highway 7 location. <p><u>Response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Calvin Curtis confirmed that AECON is undertaking the work at the parking facility on Brock Road south of Highway 407, which has been underway for a few weeks. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Construction will include the first leg of the access road for the new Seaton community development. ▪ Approximately 250-300 spaces but the facility is expandable in the future. ○ The second group of parking facilities consists of 3 parking facilities: on Baldwin 	

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	<p>Street – immediately south of Highway 407; on Halls Road north of Dundas Road west of Highway 412 in the Town of Whitby, and on the corner of Simcoe Street and Winchester Road in the City of Oshawa.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Each facility, other than the Simcoe Street and Winchester Road facility, is a shared undertaking between GO Transit and MTO. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The shared facilities can primarily store GO Transit buses with consideration for the Durham Transit buses. ▪ Construction of these facilities is anticipated to commence in the Spring of 2016 and estimated for completion in the Fall of 2016. 	
4.4	<p><u>Region of Durham</u></p> <p>Harmony Road and Winchester Road:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Durham Region confirmed that the Harmony Road and Winchester Road intersection design has been completed and tendering will take place this month. ○ Construction is expected to commence in August 2015 and anticipated to be completed by the end of year. <p>Simcoe Street and Winchester Road:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Durham Region confirmed that the construction of Simcoe Street and Winchester Road will not commence in 2015 primarily due to significant utility work (including 2 pipelines) that is outstanding. MTO and IO lands also still need to be acquired. ○ Road construction will likely commence in 2016. ○ Given the delay to the intersection modification, Durham Region requests that MTO have a discussion to coordinate with the Region for any potential minor work that should be done this fall to improve traffic operations, possibly in conjunction with temporary traffic signals. ○ Action: Calvin Curtis to meet with Durham to discuss potential coordination between MTO and Durham for the Simcoe Street and Winchester Road construction. 	MTO
5.0	Update on Phase 2 Procurement	
	Faisal Khan presented an update on the status of Phase 2 procurement.	
5.1	<p><u>Phase 2: Procurement Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Infrastructure Ontario and MTO announced March 2015 that Blackbird Infrastructure Group (BBI) signed a fixed-priced contract to design, build, finance and maintain the Highway 407 East Phase 2 Project. ○ BBI's team includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Developer: Holcim and Cintra ▪ Constructors: Dufferin Construction and Ferrovia Agroman Canada ▪ Designers: Urban Systems, AIA Engineers and Louis Berger Group ▪ Maintainers: Holcim and Cintra ○ New completion date is late 2019. ○ A meeting has been scheduled by BBI with municipalities (Region of Durham, City of Oshawa, and Municipality of Clarington), MTO and IO for June 11th. 	

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5.2	<u>Agricultural Lands</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MTO extended agreements to use the highway corridor (PTU's) for agricultural purposes to existing local farmers for the 2015 season. ○ BBI will determine PTU possibilities for 2016 and beyond. 	
5.3	<u>Phase 2: Road Closures</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An Ontario Municipal Board hearing was held on February 3, 2015 at Region of Durham Council Chambers, 605 Rossland Avenue East, Whitby, ON. ○ Acres Road was the only closure for which objectors attended the hearing. MTO defended the need for this closure. ○ Once the decision is received MTO will continue with the formal process to close roads after the expiration of the statutory 30 day appeal period. ○ Actual road closure dates will be dependent on BBI's construction schedule. 	
5.4	<u>Phase 2: Environmental Update</u> <u>Archaeology and Heritage:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stage 3 and 4 investigations will be conducted by BBI this year. ○ MTO continues to consult with Aboriginal Groups ○ MTO has salvaged materials from heritage buildings which have been demolished. ○ The responsibility for the demolition and material salvage for the remaining heritage buildings has been transferred to BBI. <u>Endangered Species:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MTO has received Endangered Species Act permits for Bobolink, Eastern Meadowlark, and Butternut Tree. ○ It is expected that greater than 75 hectares of compensatory habitat for Bobolink / Meadowlark will be established on MTO lands. ○ MTO has initiated a 4 hectare plot of Bobolink habitat on Liberty Street adjacent to Highway 407. This is being carried out in partnership with a local farmer. <u>Consultation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BBI will initiate contact with agencies and stakeholders this summer to consult on their detailed design activities (i.e., RAG, MTAG) ○ Vegetation clearing is expected to begin in the fall. 	
5.5	<u>Phase 2: MOE Conditions Update</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Condition 8 - Surface Water – MTO will conduct background surface water monitoring until July 2015. BBI will continue this program post construction. ○ Condition 13 - Complaint Protocol – BBI is preparing their Complaints Protocol based on MTO's document. It will be provided to EAC for comment. ○ Condition 15 - Construction Noise, Vibration & AQ – Pre-construction monitoring at Solina Road and the Phase 2 Highway 407 was completed by MTO in 2014. BBI will begin pre-construction monitoring at Highway 2, in June, July, and August of this summer (2015). ○ Condition 18 - Vegetation Restoration Plans – BBI will prepare detailed vegetation restoration plans as per the Vegetation Restoration Framework that was provided to EAC in May 2014. They are currently developing a schedule for the development of this plan. 	

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6.0	Questions and Answers	
6.1	<p><u>Commuter Lots</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Is there potential for a GO Transit commuter lot to be located closer Highway 401, particularly since the informal lot at the south end of Curtis Road is no longer available? <p><u>Response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action: Faisal Khan will check with the Highway 401 team to see if there are any opportunities for commuter lots near Highway 401. 	MTO
6.2	<p><u>Community Value Plan (CVP)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gary Carroll confirmed that the City of Oshawa wants a better understanding of the CVP regarding the Winchester road crossing, which is just within phase 2. ○ Gary Carroll requested this item be discussed in more detail at a Phase 2 update meeting with BBI on June 11, 2015. <p><u>Response:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Action: Calvin Curtis and Faisal Khan indicated that Phase 2 CVP work is likely to occur sooner than on Phase 1. 	MTO
7.0	Other business, next meeting and adjourn	
7.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parsons to schedule the next 407 EAC meeting for mid-November potentially on the second or third Monday unless the Monday falls on November 11th. ○ FK confirmed that BBI will be invited to the next meeting. 	Parsons

If there are any errors or omissions, please advise candace.bastedo@parsons.com within ten business days of the issuance of these minutes.

Minutes prepared by Anjhela Salonga.

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