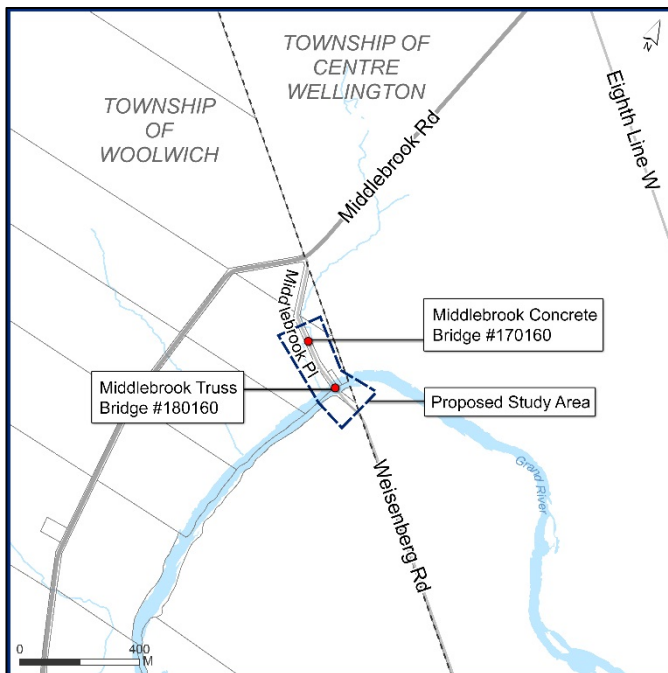


TOWNSHIPS OF WOOLWICH and CENTRE WELLINGTON

CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Middlebrook Place Bridges # 170160 and # 180160

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION



In November 2017 the Township of Woolwich and the Township of Centre Wellington initiated a Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment to review alternatives for the Middlebrook Truss Bridge and the Middlebrook Concrete Bridge. Structural inspections identified the need for permanent closure, repairs or replacement of the Middlebrook Truss Bridge and the Middlebrook Concrete Bridge due to their condition. The purpose of the study was to determine a strategy to address the short and long term needs of the structures.

A key component of this study was consultation with interested stakeholders, agencies and members of the public. A Notice of Study Commencement inviting input was published February 16, 2018 and a Public Consultation Centre (PCC) was held on November 27, 2018 to present existing conditions, alternative solutions and their potential impacts on the social, cultural, natural, technical and economic environments and to request feedback. On November 12, 2019 a Notice of

Schedule Change and Meeting Before Council was issued, which outlined that the preliminary recommendations to Council were removal of the Middlebrook Truss Bridge and rehabilitation of the Middlebrook Concrete Bridge. The study was presented to Township of Woolwich Council on January 21, 2020 at the Committee of the Whole meeting. Given that the evaluation of the rehabilitation and replacement alternatives for the Middlebrook Concrete Bridge were similar with limited impacts and comparable capital costs, the Township of Woolwich Council directed staff to proceed with the following as the preferred solution:

- Removal without replacement of the Middlebrook Truss Bridge
- Replacement of the Middlebrook Concrete Bridge

The preferred solutions from the January 21, 2020 meeting were officially approved by the Township of Centre Wellington Council on January 27, 2020 and the Township of Woolwich Council on January 28, 2020.

The Final Project File Report, documenting the study process and rationale for the Preferred Solution, is available for public review, starting **February 19, 2020**, on the Township of Woolwich website:

<https://www.woolwich.ca/en/township-services/engineering-public-notice.aspx>

and at the Township of Woolwich Administration Office at 24 Church Street West, P.O. Box 158, Elmira, ON N3B 2Z6. Office Hours are Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Project File will also be available for review at the Township of Centre Wellington Administration Office at 1 McDonald Square, Elora, N0B 1S0. Office hours are the same as the Township of Woolwich.

This Notice initiates a 30 calendar day Public Review Period. We encourage members of the public to review the Project File and share their comments or concerns by **March 20, 2020**. Please contact one of the following members of the project team if you have any questions or comments:

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If serious concerns arise regarding this project, that cannot be resolved through discussions with the Township, you may request the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) to issue a 'Part II Order' for the project. Within the Part II Order request, the Minister may be requested to refer the matter to mediation, impose additional project conditions, and/or request an elevated scope of study (i.e. an individual environmental assessment). A Part II Order request requires the completion of a 'Part II Order Request' Form (i.e. Form ID No.012-2206E). The form can be found online on Service Ontario's Central Forms Repository website (<http://www.forms.ssb.gov.on.ca/>) by searching 'Part II Order' or '012-2206E' (i.e. the form number).

Requests may be received by the Minister at the address below within 30 calendar days of this Notice. A copy of the request must also be sent to the Director of the Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch of the MECP and the Township of Woolwich. If no requests are received by **March 20, 2020**, the project is considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA and will proceed to construction as outlined in the Project File, subject to obtaining any other permits or approvals.

Minister
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Information will be collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, please note all comments will become part of the public record.

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