

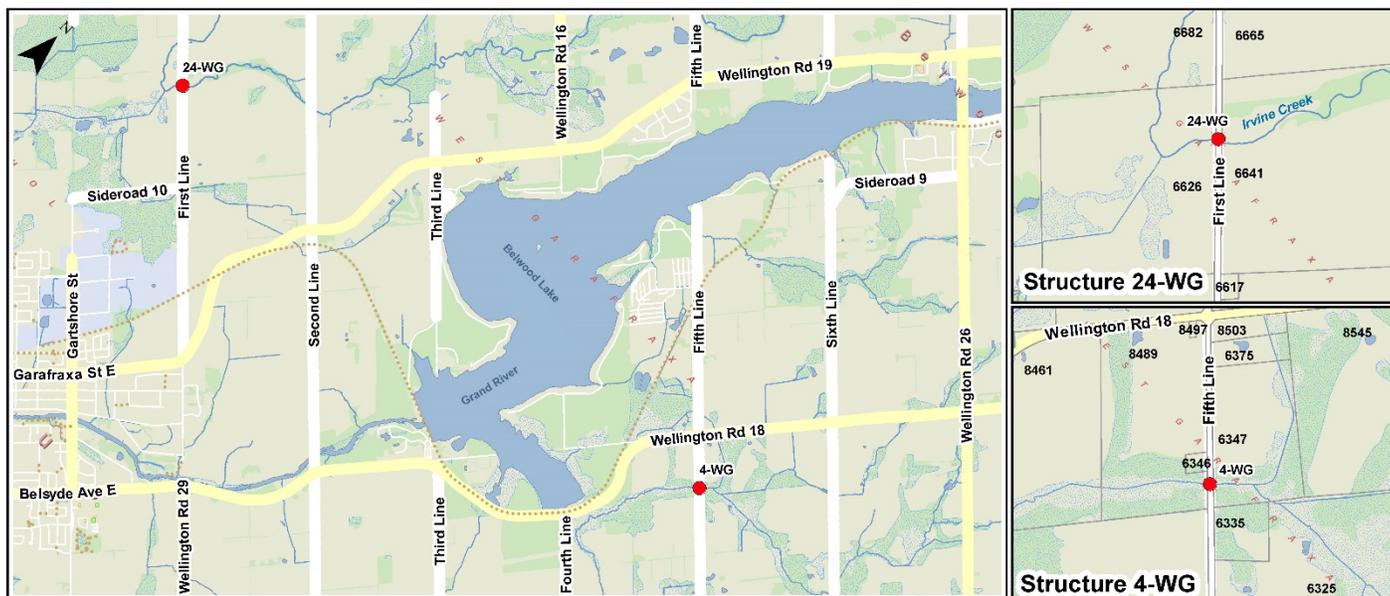


# Notice of Study Commencement

## Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for Bridge 24-WG and Bridge 4-WG

### The Project

The Township of Centre Wellington is conducting a review of two bridge structures to address their advanced state of deterioration. Both structures (24-WG and 4-WG) are located within the former Township of West Garafraxa and are illustrated on the key plan below. Bridge 24-WG is located on First Line between Sideroad 10 and Sideroad 15 in the rural area to the north of Fergus. Bridge 4-WG is located on Fifth Line between Wellington Road 18 and Eramosa-West Garafraxa Townline in the rural area to the south of Belwood Lake.



Key Plan

Bridge 24-WG is a 22.9m (75ft) single span concrete bowstring arch over Irvine Creek constructed circa 1922. Bridge 24-WG was closed to vehicle traffic in July 2018 due to structural concerns. Bridge 4-WG is a 6.1m (20ft) single span concrete bowstring arch over a tributary of the Speed River constructed circa 1923. Since 2016, Bridge 4-WG has had a posted load limit of 5 tonnes and a height restriction barrier.

### The Study Process

The study is being conducted in accordance with Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) (October 2000, as amended) process. This notice signals the commencement of the Class EA. The study will confirm and document the existing structural deficiencies and identify alternative solutions, including rehabilitation or replacement of the structures. The environmental impacts of each alternative will be evaluated and in consultation with the public and external agencies, a technically preferred alternative will be selected.

### How to Participate

A key component of this study is public and agency consultation. A Public Open House is planned for the spring of 2019 and will be held to present the study findings and obtain public input. Details of the Open House will be advertised in the Wellington Advertiser and on [centrewellington.ca](http://centrewellington.ca) closer to the date under a separate notice.

**We Want to Hear from You!**

If you have any questions or comments regarding the study, or would like to be included on the mailing list to receive future notices and study updates, please contact one of the Project Team members below:

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