



**TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH**  
**CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**  
**Middlebrook Place Bridges**  
**# 170160 and # 180160**



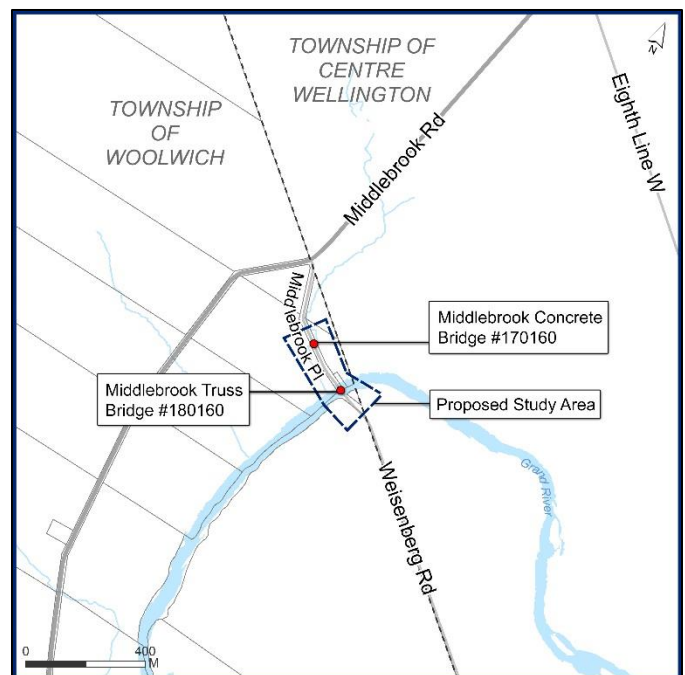
**NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT**

The Township of Woolwich and the Township of Centre Wellington, through their consultant GM BluePlan Engineering, are undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study for two bridges. Bridge #170160 is a three metre span concrete bridge with a 10 tonne posted load limit. Bridge #180160 is a 50 metre span steel truss bridge over the Grand River that is closed due to structural deterioration. These bridges are located on Middlebrook Place / Weisenberg Road approximately 300m and 450m southeast of Middlebrook Road, respectively (see key map).

The Municipal Class EA study will examine the existing environment, evaluate the impacts of a number of potential alternatives, and identify the most feasible solution to address the short and long term needs of each structure.

Several alternatives will be considered for the bridges as part of the study. The preliminary alternatives for the concrete bridge may include: rehabilitation, replacement, removal, and a “do nothing” alternative. The preliminary alternatives for the steel truss bridge may include: rehabilitation for vehicle use, replacement for vehicle use, rehabilitation for pedestrian use, permanent closure, removal, and a “do nothing” alternative. The “do nothing” alternatives would eventually result in one of the other alternatives.

An integral component of this study will be consultation with directly affected stakeholders, agencies and the general public.



In the **spring of 2018** a Public Consultation Centre will be held to present the project details and to collect community feedback. The meeting date and details will be advertised in the **Observer, Wellington Advertiser** and on **www.woolwich.ca**. Meeting notices will also be circulated to neighbourhood residents and businesses.

This study is currently being undertaken as a Schedule ‘C’ activity in accordance with the requirements of the “Municipal Class Environmental Assessment” document (Municipal Engineers Association, October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015). As part of this study, the Township of Woolwich will be identifying opportunities to engage residents, Indigenous communities, local businesses and other stakeholders to participate in this planning process.

If you have any questions or comments about this study, or would like to be contacted about future public events associated with this study, please contact:

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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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