### NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE HIGHWAY 427 EXPANSION PROJECT

# THE PROJECT

LINK427 has been selected by the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) and Infrastructure Ontario (IO) to undertake the design, build, finance and maintenance of the Highway 427 Expansion Project from Finch Avenue to Major Mackenzie Drive within the City of Vaughan and the City of Toronto.

The Highway 427 Transportation Corridor Environmental Assessment (EA) received approval from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks (MECP) in November 2010. The project was updated through completion of a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) in 2016 to add additional lanes to the proposed Highway 427 extension. A separate TESR was completed in 2013 for the widening of the existing Highway 427 between Albion Road to Highway 7.

# **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

There have been three previous Public Information Centres (PIC) for this project: January 2018; May 2018; and September 2018. The fourth and final PIC is scheduled for June 27, 2019 to provide agencies, interested groups, business representatives and members of the general public with an opportunity to review and comment on the following elements of construction:

- Restoration details for each of the valley crossings and restoration areas
- Stormwater management (SWM) landscape design (plantings for SWM ponds).
- Landscape design along the highway corridor, including cultural meadow / cultural woodland plantings, and pollinator seed mix.
- Highway and Wildlife Fencing Details.
- Restoration activities related to the removal of Culvert WB-03 (shown on the key map).
- Design refinements to three pond outlets.

Members of the project team will be available to discuss the project and answer questions. The construction elements will be documented in a DCR to be tabled for public review after this PIC.

The PIC is scheduled as follows:

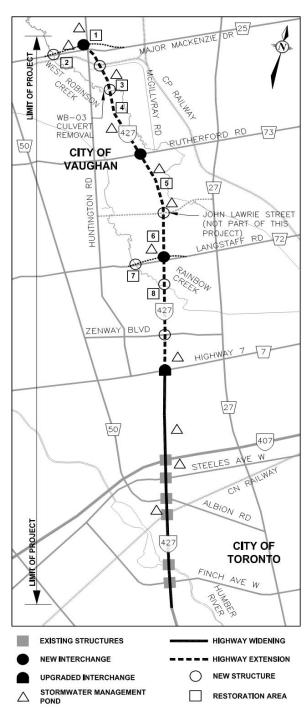
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DATE: June 27, 2019
LOCATION: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Vaughan-Southwest
Vaughan West Room
6100 Hwy 7, Woodbridge, ON L4H 0R2
TIME: 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
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## THE PROCESS

This project is being carried out in accordance with the approved environmental planning process for Group 'A' projects under the *MTO Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000). In accordance with MTO's Class EA, DCRs will be prepared with input from this PIC and will be made available for public review.

## COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have regarding this project. If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments, please consult the project website at: <u>www.427expansion.ca</u>. Comments can be provided by mail, e-mail, or online to:



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If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this Public Information Centre please contact us at the coordinates above.

Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the *Access to Information Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will be part of the public record.

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