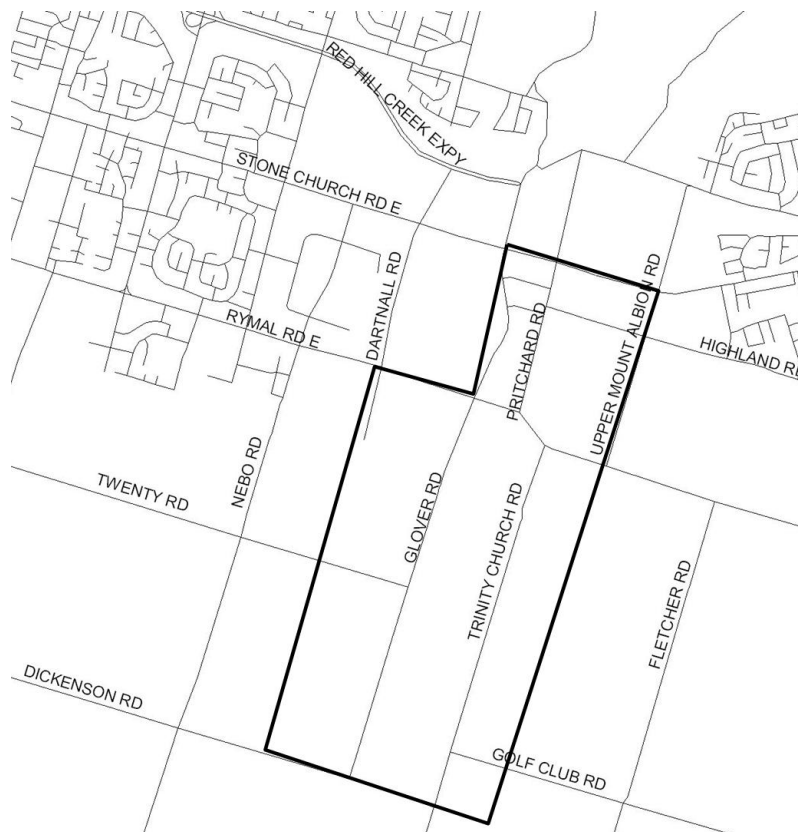


NOTICE OF COMPLETION Trinity Church Arterial Corridor Class Environmental Assessment

THE STUDY

The City of Hamilton has completed the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process to identify and evaluate alternative road alignments and design concepts for a new road link from the Stone Church Road / Red Hill Valley Parkway ramps to south of Rymal Road. The Study Area is shown below.



THE PROCESS

This study has been undertaken in accordance with the Municipal Engineers Association, ***Municipal Class Environmental Assessment*** document (June 2000) and will satisfy Phase 3 and 4 of the planning and design process. The study was presented at public information centres held on June 26, 2006, October 12, 2006 and October 18, 2006. No comments were received that cannot be addressed.

The Phase 1 and 2 requirements of the planning and design process for the ROPA 9 study area were fulfilled by the Rymal Road Planning Area Class EA Master Plan Report which was endorsed by Hamilton City Council on June 14, 2006 and was available to the public for review between June 16 and July 18, 2006.

The Phase 1 and 2 requirements of the planning and design process for the North Glanbrook study area were fulfilled by the North Glanbrook Transportation Master Plan

Report which was endorsed by Hamilton City Council on July 12, 2006 and was available to the public for review for a period of 45 days from December 1, 2006.

This notice of completion is issued for the Trinity Church Arterial Corridor addressed in this Environmental Study Report, which includes:

- A new 4 lane (2 through lanes in each direction) arterial corridor from the Red Hill Valley Parkway-Stone Church Road intersection to south of Rymal Road.
- Provision of traffic signals at the intersection with Stone Church Road.
- Provision of a roundabout at the intersections with Highland Road, Midblock Collector, Rymal Road and Twenty Road. The roundabout intersections are subject to further assessment during detailed design. Should the roundabouts be determined unfeasible during detailed design, signalization will be implemented, where warranted.
- Provision of an urban cross-section for the Trinity Church Arterial Corridor north of Rymal Road and a rural cross-section south of Rymal Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED

A Class EA Environmental Study Report documenting the planning process undertaken and conclusions reached will be on public record for a period of 45 calendar days in accordance with the municipal Class EA. **The “Review Period” will begin on June 15, 2007 and end on July 30, 2007.** The Class EA Environmental Study Report is available for public review at the following locations:

<u>Hamilton Public Library, Valley Park Branch</u> 970 Paramount Drive Hamilton, Ontario L8J 1Y2 (905) 573-3141	<u>Office of the City Clerk</u> 71 Main Street West City Hall, 2nd Floor Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4Y5 (905) 546-CITY	<u>City Centre</u> Public Works Department 77 James Street North Suite 320 Hamilton, Ontario L8R 2K3 (905) 546-CITY
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Subject to comments received as a result of this notice, the City of Hamilton intends to proceed with the implementation (i.e Phase 5 of the Municipal Class EA process) of the recommended projects. If after reading the Class EA Environmental Study Report, you have questions or concerns, please follow the following procedure:

1. Contact the following City staff to discuss your questions or concerns:

Mohan Philip M. Eng.
Project Manager, Strategic Planning
Capital Planning & Implementation,
Public Works Department, City of Hamilton
320-77 James St. N.
Hamilton, ON L8R 2K3
Phone: 905-546-2424 ext. 3438
Fax: 905-546-4435
Email: eplanning@hamilton.ca

2. Arrange a meeting with the above if you have significant concerns that may require more detailed explanation.
3. If you raise major concerns, the City will attempt to negotiate a resolution of the issues. A mutually acceptable time period for this negotiation will be set. If the issues remain unresolved, you may request the Minister of the Environment, by order, to require the City to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act before proceeding with the Schedule C projects. This is called a Part II Order (“bump up”). The Minister may make one of the following decisions:
 - Deny the request
 - Refer the matter to mediation
 - Require the City to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act by undertaking one of the following:
 - Submitting the Class EA Environmental Study Report for government review and approval; or,
 - Completing an Individual Environmental Assessment for government review and approval; or,
 - Preparing Terms of Reference governing the preparation of an Individual Environmental Assessment.

Requests for a Part II Order must be submitted in writing to the Minister of the Environment within the 30 day review period:

Minister of Environment
Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 12th Floor
Toronto, ON M4V 1P5

A copy of the Part II Order must also be sent to the City of Hamilton, to the attention of the Project Manager (address above).

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

This notice issued June 15 and June 22, 2007.