



**Notice of Study Commencement and Public
Information Centre
Garner Road/Rymal Road and Garth Street
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment
& Shaver Estates Park and Trail**

THE STUDY

The City of Hamilton has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to address the transportation needs for Garner Road/Rymal Road and Garth Street in response to recent land use and transportation planning studies that have documented the justification for improvements in these corridors (see accompanying map for subject area). The purpose of this study is to develop and assess design alternatives that address the identified transportation issues along these roads.

THE PROCESS

This project is being carried out as a Schedule C project under the Municipal Engineers Association *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (October 2000, as amended in 2007). All requirements for Schedule C projects within the Study Area will be fulfilled.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Public consultation is an important component of the EA process. Accordingly, the first Public Information Centre (PIC) to receive public input will be held as follows:

DATE: Thursday, April 28, 2011
TIME: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (open house format)
LOCATION: Redeemer University College, Room 212 AD, 777 Garner Road E.,
Ancaster

The purpose of this information session is to present alternative design concepts that address the identified transportation needs, and the evaluation criteria that will be used to assess the alternative design concepts.

A second PIC will be held at a later date to present the evaluation of the alternative design concepts and identify the preferred design concept.

The study results will be documented in an Environmental Study Report, which will be available for public review and comment upon completion of the study. Another advertisement will be published at that time, indicating where the report can be viewed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS INVITED

There is an opportunity at any time during this process for interested persons to review outstanding issues and bring concerns to the attention of the Project Managers. If you have any questions or comments, or wish to be added to the study mailing list, please contact:

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PARK PLANNING

The City of Hamilton is conducting a master plan for the Shaver Estates Park, located at 33 Brooking Court, Ancaster. The City is seeking public input regarding the proposed park development. In addition, the City is planning a trail to connect Shaver Estates Park with Tollgate Drive to the east, through the natural open space lands, to provide a pedestrian connection to the neighbourhood. Park and trail development panels will also be on display, and staff on hand to answer questions and receive comments.

For park or trail related inquiries:

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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, all comments will become part of the public record.

If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this program or event, please contact Cynthia Graham by January 7, 2011. Advance requests are highly encouraged to enable us to meet your needs adequately.

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