

**ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE  
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF FINAL EARLY WORKS REPORT  
COUNTY ROAD 4 EARLY WORKS- GWP 2008-21-00  
HIGHWAY 400 – HIGHWAY 404 LINK (BRADFORD BYPASS)**

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**THE PROJECT**

AECOM Canada Ltd. (AECOM) has been retained by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to advance this Early Works project in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario Regulation 697/21. The Early Works, as set out in the regulation involves the design and construction of a grade separated bridge crossing for the Bradford Bypass on County Road 4 (Yonge Street).

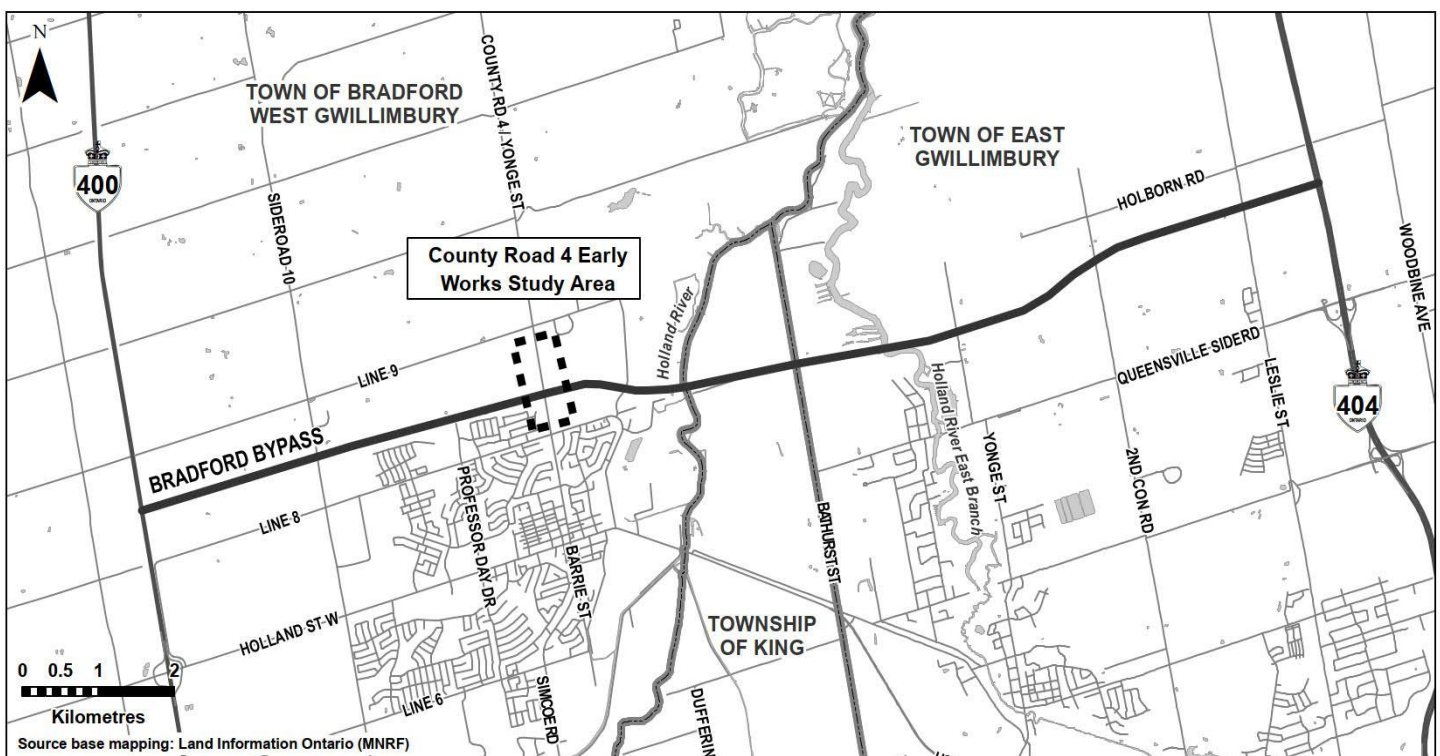
To promote efficiencies between the Bradford Bypass Project and the County of Simcoe's widening of County Road 4 (2012 approved Municipal Class Environmental Assessment), the County Road 4 Early Works will incorporate the widening of this section of County Road 4 including a 3.0m wide multi-use path.

The Early Works study area covers County Road 4 from south of Line 9 to Line 8, in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, County of Simcoe (see **Key Plan**).

**BACKGROUND**

The County of Simcoe prepared an Environmental Study Report (2012) for the widening of County Road 4 from north of Line 8 to north of County Road 89 that was approved under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process. The County of Simcoe has since started site preparation works for the widening of County Road 4 from the southern limit (Line 8) to Line 11. In September 2020, MTO initiated the Preliminary Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for the Bradford Bypass (a new 16.2 km rural controlled access freeway) for the 2002 Environmental Assessment approved recommended plan and alignment and began discussions with municipalities to coordinate projects in the study area. As the Bradford Bypass will require a bridge to carry County Road 4 over the new highway, MTO is working with the County of Simcoe to include the widening within the County Road 4 Early Works study limits and has prepared this Early Works report for the construction of the new bridge over the future highway.

**Key Plan**



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**FINAL EARLY WORKS REPORT**

The environmental impacts related to the Early Works have been assessed in accordance with Ontario Regulation 697/21. The Draft County Road 4 Early Works Report was available for review on the project website ([www.BradfordBypass.ca/early-works/](http://www.BradfordBypass.ca/early-works/)) from January 13, 2022 until February 12, 2022.

In accordance with Section 12 of Ontario Regulation 697/21, MTO has updated the County Road 4 Early Works Report in accordance with the issues resolution process outlined in Section 4.7 of the Draft Early Works Report. Any concerns raised during the public review period of the Draft County Road 4 Early Works Report by Indigenous communities and interested persons have been documented in Section 8 of the Final Early Works Report along with the outcome of the process. The Final Early Works Report is now available on the project website ([www.BradfordBypass.ca/early-works/](http://www.BradfordBypass.ca/early-works/)).

**CONTACT THE PROJECT TEAM**

To view or obtain a copy of the Final County Road 4 Early Works Report, please visit the project website ([www.BradfordBypass.ca/early-works/](http://www.BradfordBypass.ca/early-works/)) or contact the Project Team by phone or email as listed below.

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For up-to-date project information please visit the project website or contact the Project Team directly by e-mail or telephone.

This notice is issued in accordance with Ontario Regulation 697/21: Section 12(2).

Communication received will be maintained on file and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. F.31*. 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 project, please contact the Project Team as listed above.