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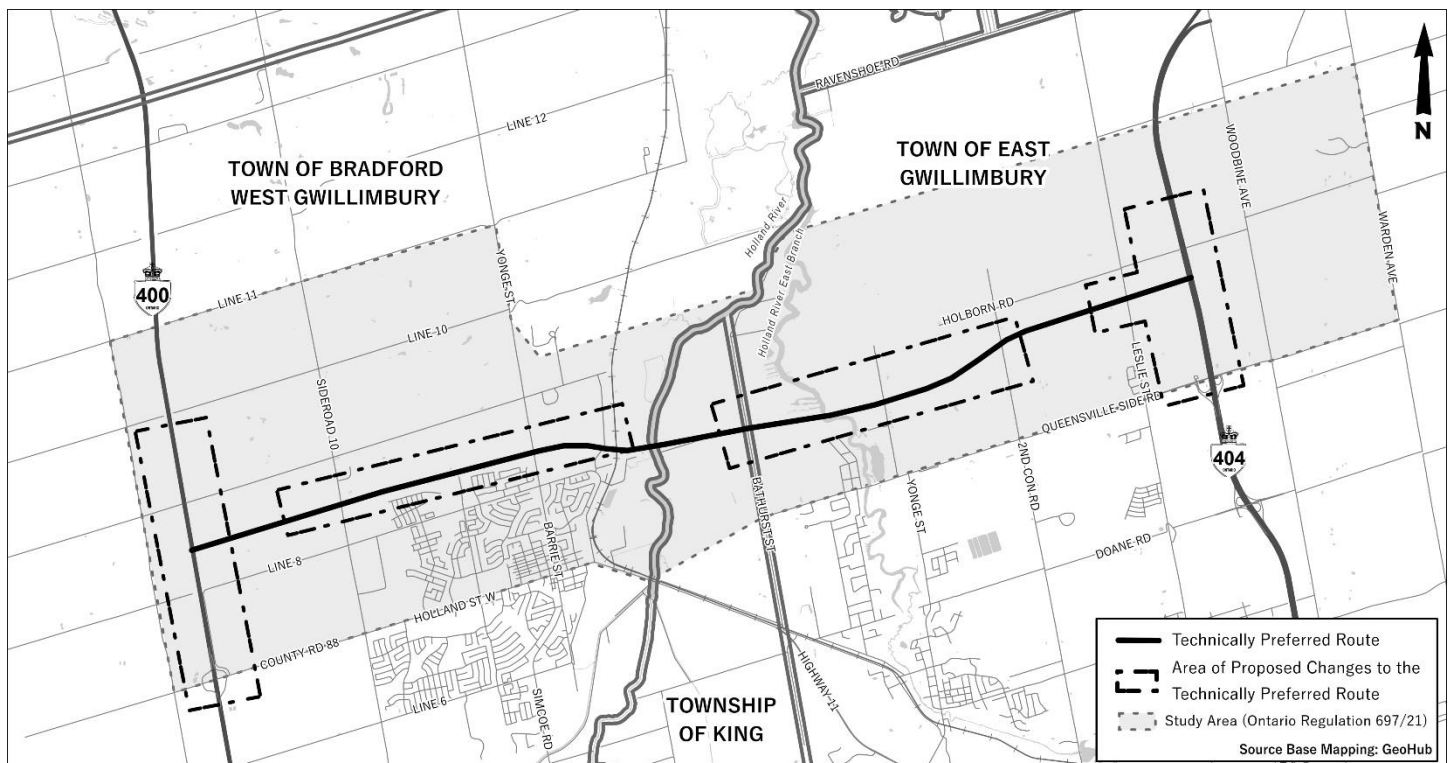
**THE STUDY**

The Ministry of Transportation has retained AECOM Canada Ltd. to undertake a Preliminary Design and project-specific assessment of environmental impacts in accordance with Ontario Regulation 697/21 for the Bradford Bypass. Under the regulation, the study is following the streamlined assessment process that includes environmental commitments from the 2002 Approved Environmental Assessment for preliminary design of the Technically Preferred Route.

The Bradford Bypass will be a 16.2-kilometre, controlled access freeway to connect Highway 400 and Highway 404 with proposed full and partial interchanges, and grade separated crossings. The route extends from Highway 400 between 8<sup>th</sup> Line and 9<sup>th</sup> Line in Bradford West Gwillimbury (County of Simcoe), will cross a small portion of King Township, and will connect to Highway 404 between Queensville Sideroad and Holborn Road in East Gwillimbury (Regional Municipality of York).

The current study proposes preliminary design refinements to the route alignment and interchanges, design standard updates to the freeway interchanges, and grade separated crossings at local roads and watercourses, including new bridges over the Holland River and Holland River East Branch. This project will also include design integration with planned work on Highway 400, such as the design development for the replacement of the 9<sup>th</sup> Line structure on Highway 400.

The key map shows the study area, the Technically Preferred Route, as well as areas where changes are proposed to the Technically Preferred Route. Alternatives and refinements have been generated that are currently being evaluated within the study area.



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The Draft Environmental Conditions Report was available for review on the project website (<https://www.bradfordbypass.ca/study-process/>) from August 12, 2022 until September 16, 2022.

In accordance with Section 19 of Ontario Regulation 697/21, the ministry has updated the Draft Environmental Conditions Report in accordance with the public consultation and review process outlined in Section 4.7 of the Draft Environmental Conditions Report. Any concerns raised during the public consultation and review period of the Draft Environmental Conditions Report by Indigenous communities and interested persons have been documented in Section 4 of the Final Environmental Conditions Report. The Final Environmental Conditions Report is now available on the project website (<https://www.bradfordbypass.ca/study-process/>).

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

To view or obtain a copy of the Final Environmental Conditions Report, please visit the project website (<https://www.bradfordbypass.ca/study-process/>) or contact the Project Team by phone or email as listed below.

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If you have accessibility requirements in order to participate in this study, or to be placed on the project mailing list, please use a contact method above, or visit the “Contact Us” page on the Project Website.

There is an opportunity at any time during the study for interested persons to provide input to the Project Team regarding the study, including at future project milestones. Future engagement and consultation milestones include Public Information Centre (PIC) #2, followed by filing of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) for a public review period. Comments are being collected to assist the ministry in meeting the requirements under Ontario Regulation 697/21. This material will be maintained on file for use during the study and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used 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.