



**PEDESTRIAN RECREATIONAL PATHWAY CROSSING OF RICHMOND STREET
MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
NOTICE OF PROJECT COMMENCEMENT**

Background

The City of London completed a Bicycle Master Plan in 2005 which is currently being updated. The Master Plan recommended implementing a major east-west recreational pathway corridor along the northern boundary of the City with a crossing of Richmond Street.

Subdivision development in London, north of Sunningdale Road, has progressed to the point where municipal park corridors and large sections of recreational pathways are being implemented. In order to address future public use along this corridor the City needs to determine the most appropriate means of linking this recreational pathway system across Richmond Street. The environment, safety, aesthetics, financial considerations and convenience will be the main factors considered for the preferred crossing location.

The City of London has retained AECOM to undertake a Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) to evaluate alternative solutions and design alternatives for a multi-use crossing of Richmond Street.

Public Involvement

Two Public Information Centres (PIC's) will take place during this study for members of the public, agencies, community organizations and Aboriginal communities to provide input, ask questions and identify issues or concerns they may have. The first meeting will provide an overview of issues and opportunities, background information and a preferred planning alternative. The second meeting will identify alternative design concepts, the preferred design alternative and any mitigating measures to be implemented as part of detail design.

Once the alternatives and recommendations have been reviewed with the public, an Environmental Study Report (ESR) will be prepared to document all of the stages of the study. This document will be available for public review for a period of 30 calendar days.

Members of the public and interested parties will be notified of the date, time and location of all PIC's and filing of the ESR through newspaper notices, letters mailed to those on the project's mailing list and the City website at <http://www.london.ca/residents/Environment/EAs/>

Comments

Comments and information regarding this project are being collected to assist in meeting the requirements of the EA Act. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and will become part of the public record, with the exception of personal information. Comments received will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you wish to obtain additional information about the study, be included on the study mailing list, or provide input at any point during the study, please contact any of the following Project Team members.

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