October 26, 2015
File: 165000958

Attention: Margaret (Peggy) Dupuis, CAO/Clerk/ Deputy Treasurer
Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge
4569 Oliver Road
Murillo ON P0T 2G0

Dear Ms. Dupuis,

Reference: NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT
Rehabilitation of the Kakabeka Falls Bridge on Highway 11/17
Class Environmental Assessment and Detail Design (G.W.P. 6136-04-00)

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd., to complete the
Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) and Detail Design for the rehabilitation of the
Kakabeka Falls Bridge over the Kaministiquia River on Highway 11/17 within the Municipality of
Oliver Paipoonge (Coordinates: 48.405443,-89.629300).

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the project start-up and to seek your input on the
environmental (natural, socio/economic or cultural) features in the study area. The extent of the
rehabilitation required is currently being reviewed, along with impacts to traffic during
construction. It is anticipated that the construction staging strategy will maintain a single lane of
traffic with temporary signals at the structure.

The structure is scheduled for 2016 construction in the Northern Highways Program, subject to
funding and approvals. The proposed improvements are part of a larger work program that
includes the rehabilitation or reconstruction of 17 structures in Northwestern Ontario, as shown on
the enclosed Location Plan.

Please assist us in identifying issues and available background information for the site named
above.

Your initial comments using the enclosed Comment Form or by way of a separate letter/email
would be appreciated by November 27, 2015.
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Should you require further information regarding this study, please contact either the undersigned or one of the Project Managers named in the notice.

Yours truly,

STANTEC CONSULTING LTD.

[Signature]

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Attachment: Notice of Study Commencement; Comment Form; Location Plan

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J. Scale, Assistant Project Manager, Amec Foster Wheeler

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THE PROJECT
The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd., to complete the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) and Detail Design for the rehabilitation of the Kakabeka Falls Bridge (Site 48W-44) over the Kaministikquia River on Highway 11/17 within the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge.

Engineering and environmental fieldwork is underway to determine the extent of the work required for the structure. Based on the results, the study will identify the most appropriate rehabilitation strategy and will assess potential impacts to the natural environment and cultural heritage resources.

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THE PROCESS
The study will be completed following the Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000) for a Group 'C' project. Group C projects have minimal and predictable environmental effects that are readily mitigated. This type of project is approved under the EA Act, subject to “screening”. The screening process includes public and agency consultation and determines the impacts of the project, measures and provisions required to prevent/mitigate adverse impacts, including monitoring requirements, during and after construction and the required approvals. An Environmental Screening Document (ESD) will be prepared to document the effects anticipated by the project and the corresponding mitigation measures. There is no formal review period for the ESD.

COMMENTS
Comments and information regarding this project are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation. If you would like more information, or wish to provide comments, please contact one of the individuals identified below:

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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. If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above.

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Please remove this organization from the study mailing list.

☐ This organization would like to be kept informed about the Kakabeka Falls Bridge Rehabilitation Project on Highway 11/17.

Comments / Questions: (Additional space is available on the back of the form).

This organization can provide the following environmental (i.e., natural, social, economic or cultural) information and/or requires the following permits/approvals:

Contact Information on Study Mailing List
Ms. Margaret (Peggy) Dupuis, CAO/Clerk/Deputy Treasurer
Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge
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If this information is incorrect please provide updated information below.

Please return the completed form by November 27, 2015 to:
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New Contact:
Job Title:
Name of Organization:
Mailing Address:
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COMMENT FORM FOR G.W.P. 6136-04-00
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