



HIGHWAY 3 WIDENING AND SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS
TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT REVIEW
east of Essex County Road 23 easterly to east of Essex County Road 34
GWP 3021-18-00

NOTICE OF ONLINE PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

THE STUDY

In 2006, the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) completed a study of Highway 3 from Outer Drive in Windsor easterly 33.5 km to Essex County Road 34, which was documented in a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR). The TESR was approved and MTO has implemented the improvements in three phases with Phase 1 and Phase 2 being constructed in 2009 and 2012, respectively.

Recently, MTO has initiated the Detail Design including completing a review of the 2006 TESR approved improvements for Phase 3, to widen Highway 3 from east of Essex County Road 23 easterly to east of Essex County Road 34 in the County of Essex. The 2006 approved improvements included widening Highway 3 from two to four lanes with a 15 metre grass median, realigning the South Talbot Road/ Division Road intersection, and closing Inman Side Road with a connection to Division Road.

Further information on the study is available on the project website: www.highway3widening.ca.

THE PROCESS

The current study is following the TESR Review process for a Group 'B' project in accordance with the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities, 2000* (Class EA). Based on the TESR review, proposed changes to the 2006 approved improvements include the following (see **Figure**):

- The installation of new traffic signals at two intersections (Belle River Road (County Road 27) and County Road 18)
- The closure of an additional four unsignalized intersections to enhance safety (Cameron Side Road (Concession Road 9), Marsh Road (Concession Road 8), Upcott Side Road, and Graham Side Road)
- The realignment of South Talbot Road at Belle River Road

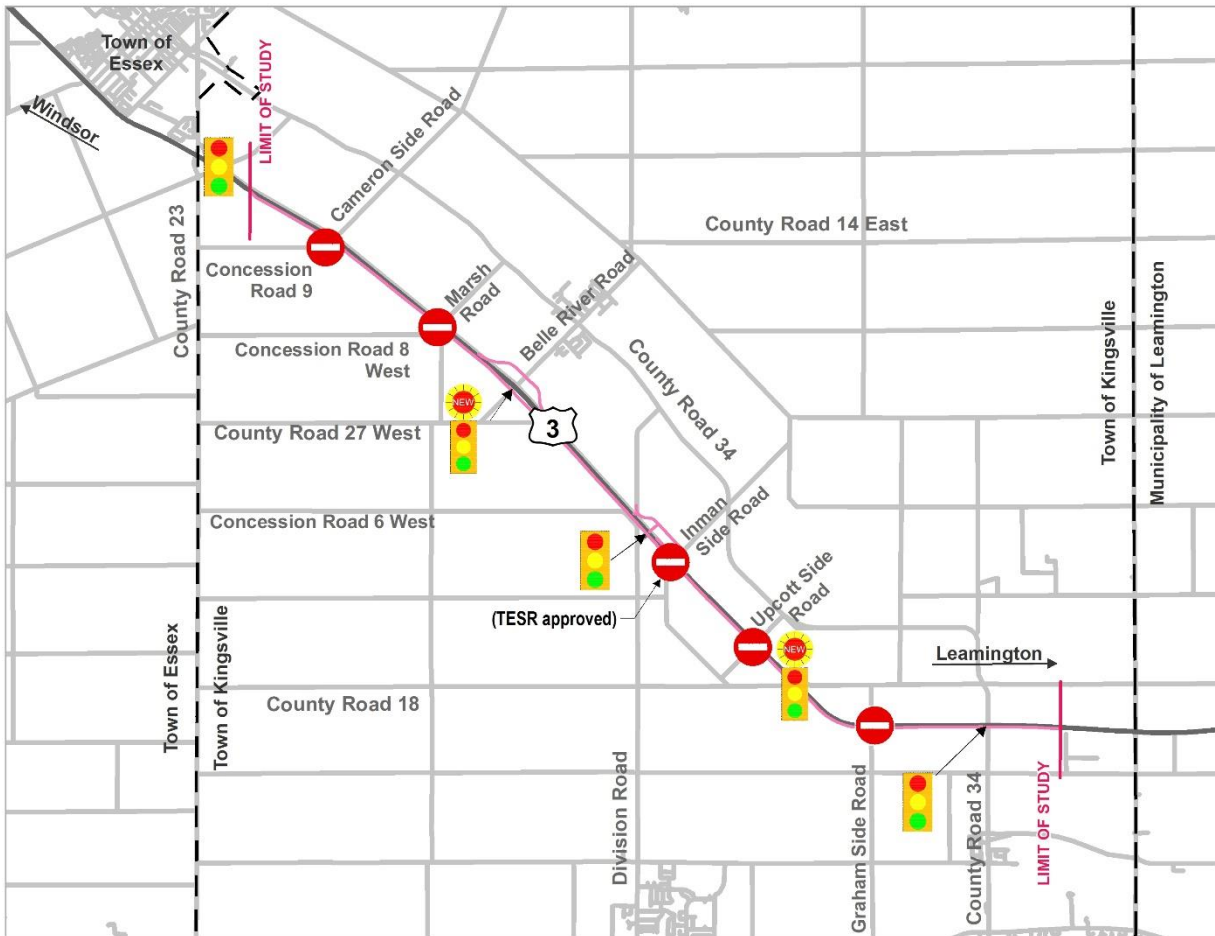
We want to hear from you on these changes! Due to the ongoing Public Health Emergency related to COVID-19, an Online Public Information Centre (PIC) will be available to the public to provide input on the Highway 3 Improvements TESR Review and changes proposed.

ONLINE Public Information Centre:

When: June 18 to July 3, 2020

Where: www.highway3widening.ca

Following the Online PIC, the Project Team will respond by email to input received from the public. In addition, a TESR Addendum will be prepared documenting the changes and will be made available for public review. Notices will be published at that time to explain the TESR Addendum review process.



COMMENTS

In addition to providing comments on the Online PIC, please feel free to contact either one of the following project team members or visit the project website if you would like to provide comments, request additional information, and/or be added to the Study's mailing list to receive future Study notifications directly:

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Comments and information will be collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.