

**NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION  
MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT  
HIGHLAND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS  
PATRICIA AVENUE TO WESTMOUNT ROAD  
CITY OF KITCHENER**

The Regional Municipality of Waterloo has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study to consider road improvements on Highland Road from Patricia Avenue to Westmount Road in the City of Kitchener. The road improvements are intended to improve traffic operations and provide enhanced pedestrian facilities. The Recommended Design Alternative endorsed by Regional Council includes the reconstruction of Highland Road, the addition of an eastbound left turn lane at the Lawrence Avenue intersection and the addition of a channelized right turn island on the northwest corner of Highland Road at Belmont Avenue to enhance the pedestrian crosswalk. The project also includes an off-road boulevard multi-use trail on the south side of Highland Road between Lawrence Avenue and Butler Lane which will provide a link to the City of Kitchener's existing off-road cycling network. The existing two-way left turn lane between Butler Lane and Westmount Road will be maintained but slightly modified to improve left turn operations.

This project has been planned under Schedule "B" of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment. Subject to comments received as a result of this notice, the Region of Waterloo intends to proceed with the design and reconstruction of Highland Road in 2014.

The Project File will be available for public review starting Friday, February 3, 2012 at the following location:

Region of Waterloo  
Clerk's Office  
150 Frederick Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Kitchener, Ontario N2G 4J3

Monday to Friday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Telephone: 519-575-4420

Interested persons may provide written comments to the Regional Clerk within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this notice. If concerns regarding this project cannot be resolved in discussion with the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, a person may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the *Environmental Assessment Act* (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual Environmental Assessments.

Requests for a Part II Order must be received by the Minister at the address below by no later than March 7, 2012. The request to the Minister must be copied to the Regional Clerk's Office. If no request for a Part II Order is received, the proposed Highland Road Improvements are intended to proceed to construction in 2014 as outlined in the planning documentation.

Minister of the Environment  
Environmental Assessment Branch  
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Toronto, Ontario M4V 1P5

Please direct any enquiries with regard to this project to:

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