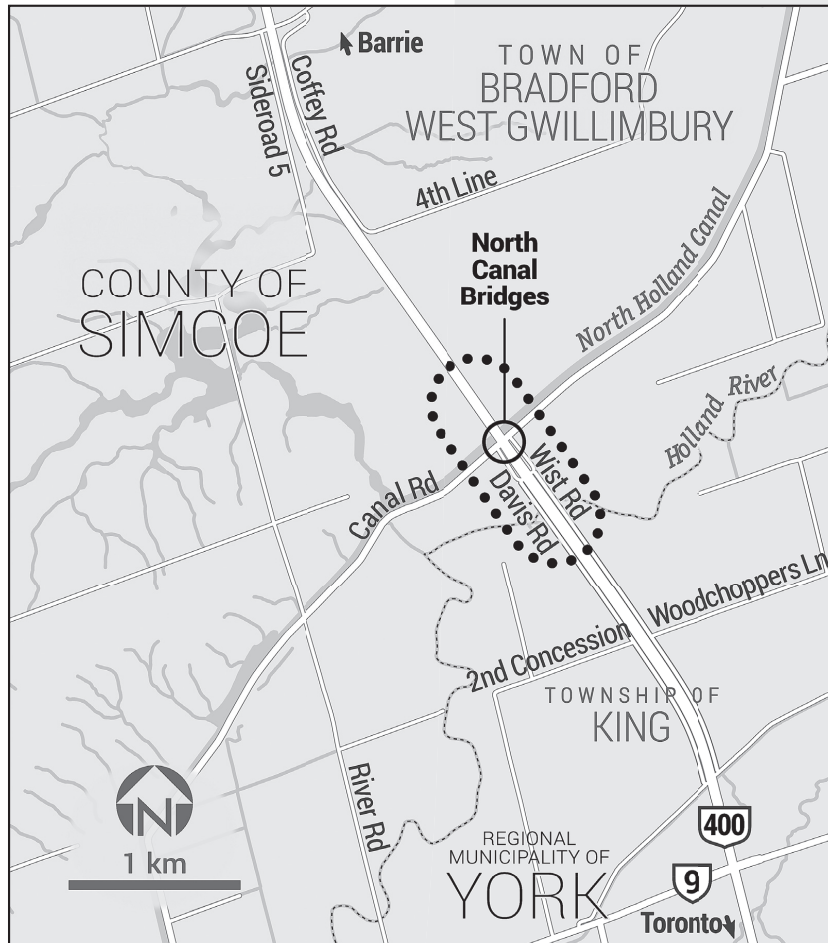


Notice of Completion Design and Construction Report

Highway 400 North Canal Overpass Structure Replacements, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, Ontario, Simcoe County Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study (GWP 2005-11-00)

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. (Stantec) to complete a Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study for the replacement of the Highway 400 bridges over the North Canal, in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, County of Simcoe (see map).



A Design and Construction Report (DCR) has been prepared to summarize the recommended plan, which includes the following improvements:

- Replacement of the Highway 400 bridges over the North Canal and rehabilitation of Highway 400 pavement within the study area
- Maintain existing three lanes in each direction, but design bridges to accommodate the ultimate future 10 lane cross section of Highway 400
- Realignment and profile adjustment of Highway 400 for 1.37 km to accommodate the new bridge alignments and increase vertical clearance over Canal Road
- Interim lowering of Canal Road and realignment of Davis Road and Wist Road to accommodate the project
- Add a Retained Soil System (RSS) between the realigned Highway 400 embankments and Davis and Wist Roads
- Permanent closure of the Highway 400 access ramps at Davis Road and Wist Road
- Lining the Holland (Schomberg) River culvert

Construction staging has been developed to minimize traffic disruptions and will maintain three lanes of Highway 400 traffic in each direction during peak hours, with some nightly lane closures required. Localized temporary closures of one month or less will be required at Canal Road, Wist Road, and Davis Roads to facilitate construction and tie-ins. Highway 400 access ramps at Wist and Davis Road will be permanently closed.

This study followed the approved planning process for Group 'B' projects under the MTO *Class EA for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000). Upon completion of the DCR review period, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA and will proceed to construction. Construction is anticipated to commence in Spring 2024 subject to funding and approvals.

A Design and Construction Report (DCR) has been prepared to summarize the project, consultation activities, environmental investigations, and the recommended plan. The DCR will be available electronically on the project website: <https://hwy400ncanalbridges.ca>.

The DCR is available for a 30-day public comment period from December 19, 2024 to January 21, 2025. Upon completion of the DCR comment period, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA and will proceed to construction. Construction is anticipated to commence in Spring 2025, subject to funding and approvals. **Interested persons may provide written comments to the project team by January 21, 2025.** All comments and concerns should be sent directly to the project team below:

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Outstanding concerns are to be directed to the proponents listed above for a response, unless the outstanding concerns are regarding potential adverse impacts to constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights, in which case Part II Order requests on these matters should be addressed in writing to:

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If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the *Access to Information Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.