

File 625026

November 6, 2025

Re: Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study (Schedule B) for Structure 310121
(Low Level Bridge), Three Bridges Road, Township of Woolwich
Notice of Study Commencement

To Whom It May Concern:

The Township of Woolwich, through their consultant Tatham Engineering Limited, is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) to study the structure and physical deficiencies associated with Structure 310121 on Three Bridges Road. The purpose of this study is to determine the short- and long-term plan for the crossing.

Please find enclosed the Notice of Study Commencement which contains further background information about the study and process.

As part of this study's consultation process, you are currently included in the contact list. Should you have any questions or concerns, if you wish to be removed from future notices and consultation, or would like to suggest an alternative representative, please contact a member of the project team as identified on the Notice of Study Commencement. Should we not hear from you, we will continue to include you in all future opportunities and notices during the study.

Yours truly,

Tatham Engineering Limited



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NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY (SCHEDULE B)
FOR STRUCTURE 310121 (LOW LEVEL BRIDGE), THREE BRIDGES ROAD

TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH



Background

The Township of Woolwich is commencing a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) under the *Environmental Assessment Act* to determine the preferred method of improvement of the Bridge 310121 (Low Level Bridge), on Three Bridges Road at the Conestogo River and west of the Village of St Jacobs. The Study Area is shown on the image below. The existing bridge has a load limit of 11 tonnes, shows signs of deterioration, scour and ongoing settlement, and is frequently closed due to water overtopping the road surface. This study will evaluate alternatives for short- and long-term improvements within the Study Area including bridge removal, rehabilitation and replacement.



Study Process

This study is considered to be a Schedule 'B' project as outlined in the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document. The Class EA Study will address the following:

- The existing and future vehicle traffic operations along Three Bridges Road;
- The need to convey river flow at Three Bridges Road;
- The location, extent and sensitivity of the existing environments within the Study Area;
- Potential impacts of each alternative to the noted environments and possible mitigation measures;
- Public and agency consultation and participation; and
- An assessment and evaluation of the alternatives culminating in a preferred solution.

Consultation

Members of the public, agencies, Indigenous communities and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning of undertaking by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with information, comments or questions. Consultation opportunities will be available throughout the planning process. Opportunity for public input and review of the study progress will be provided at an in-person Public Consultation Centre anticipated to be held in Spring 2026, during which time the various alternative solutions and assessment of each will be presented. Further details with respect to the Public Consultation Centre, and how you can participate, will be advertised on the Township of Woolwich's engagement website (www.engagewr.ca/woolwich), in the Woolwich Observer, and by direct mail out to residents abutting the project limits as well as individuals requesting to be added to the project mailing list.

Project Contacts

Public input and comments are encouraged. If you would like to be added to or removed from our project mailing list or have project-related questions, please contact one of the project team members below:

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All personal information included in a submission such as name, address, telephone number and property location is collected, maintained and disclosed for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s.37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

Project and notice information will be made accessible upon request in accordance with the Accessibility Standard for Information and Communication under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. Please contact one of the project team members to request the information in an alternate format.

This notice was first issued on November 6, 2025.