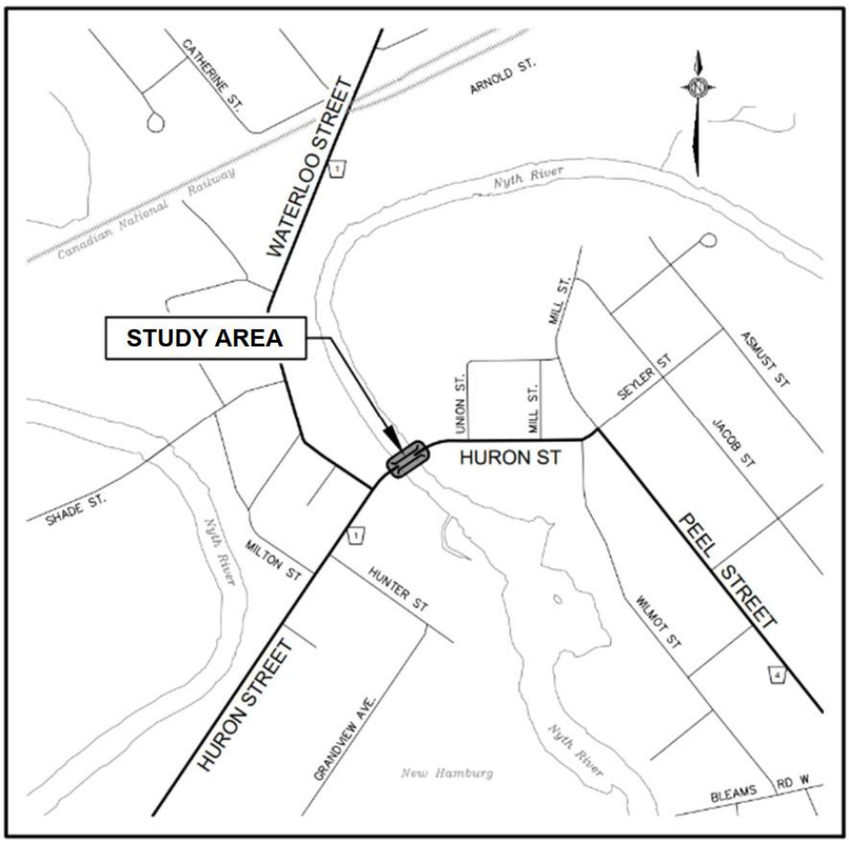
Notice of Study Commencement

Hartman Bridge
Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

The Study:
The Regional Municipality of Waterloo is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) study to address the condition of Hartman Bridge, located on Huron Street (Regional Road 4) between Waterloo Street and Union Street in the Town of New Hamburg, Township of Wilmot. Constructed in 1936, the Hartman Bridge is the last remaining steel through-truss bridge in the Region of Waterloo road network. It is located within the New Hamburg Heritage Conservation District and is included on the Ontario Heritage Bridge List. The purpose of the study is to identify the preferred solution to address the condition of the bridge while minimizing impact to its cultural heritage value.



The Process:
The study is being initiated in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule “B” projects under the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (February 2024). The Class EA process involves public consultation, the identification and evaluation of alternative solutions and design concepts, an assessment of potential impacts associated wit the proposed improvements, and development of measures to mitigate those impacts.

Comments:
Public, Indigenous and agency consultation will be an integral part of this Class EA study. Consultation will involve interested parties, including members of the public, businesses, and technical and regulatory agencies, to identify and address interests within the study area.

The Region intends to undertake online Public Consultation during the study process. Information regarding future consultation opportunities will be provided through project notices and mailed to those on the project mailing list. Upon completion of the study, a Project File Report (PFR) documenting the process will be available for public comment for a period of 30 calendar days.

If you wish to be added to the study mailing list to receive further information, or have any comments or questions regarding the study, please contact either of the following:

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Study information, including upcoming project info will be posted on the Region of Waterloo's Engage website: www.engagewr.ca/hartman-bridge

All comments and information received from individuals, stakeholder groups, Indigenous communities, and agencies regarding this project will be collected to assist the Class EA process. Under the "Municipal Act", personal information such as name, address, telephone number, and property location that may be included in a submission becomes part of the public record. Questions regarding the collection of personal information should be directed to Steve Yonemitsu at the Region of Waterloo.