

Route Assessment and Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Watermain Construction Project from Rosehill Pumping Station to Bayview Avenue and Eglinton Avenue Area

Introduction and Background:

The City of Toronto initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) in 2006 to determine the preferred route for a new watermain that needs to be constructed from Rosehill Pumping Station to the Bayview Avenue and Eglinton Avenue area.

The City of Toronto and York Region have an agreement to supply water from Lake Ontario to service Toronto and parts of York Region. In 2006, the City of Toronto updated their Joint Optimization (JOS) Study for the City of Toronto and York Region based on updated population projections. The main objective of the study was to identify the optimal infrastructure program that will satisfy water demands from 2011 through 2031 in the Toronto-York Region joint system.

The 2006 JOS identified several water projects that are needed to provide water to developing areas in north Toronto and York Region. One of these projects is upgrading the existing watermain that runs from the Rosehill Pumping Station at 240 Mount Pleasant Road to Bayview Avenue and Parkhurst Boulevard. This watermain currently does not have sufficient capacity to satisfy the projected water demands; therefore, a new watermain needs to be constructed.

The Need for this Project:

The City of Toronto identified that this new watermain will reinforce the existing watermain capacity and increase the output of Rosehill Pumping Station. Therefore, a comprehensive, environmentally sound planning process that incorporates both public and agency consultation is required.

The planning process will identify the preferred route for the new watermain based on public input and information gathered throughout the study.

Review of the Alternative Routes:

Three alternative routes were proposed for consideration in this Municipal Class EA study. These routes were the subject of an Open House and public consultation in December, 2006.

The three routes were assessed in terms of the evaluation criteria. Each route was given a ranking that reflects their suitability as the preferred route.

The results are:

Route	Description	Ranking
A	Mount Pleasant Rd. / Davisville Ave. / McCord Rd. / Cleveland St. / Eglinton Ave. E.	2
B	Mount Pleasant Rd. / Millwood Rd. / Cleveland St. / Eglinton Ave. E.	3
C	Mount Pleasant Rd. / Eglinton Ave. E.	1

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Preliminary Preferred Route Alternative

Based on the evaluation criteria and process, the City's consultant is recommending that the best route alignment for the construction of the 1650mm watermain is:

Route C: from the Rosehill Pumping Station north on Mount Pleasant Road, east along Eglinton Avenue to Bayview/Eglinton area (see attached map)

The main advantages of Route C are:

- Least impact on natural environment (landscaping / streetscaping and trees)
- Minimum conflict with existing utilities
- Least impact to residents and recreational activities during construction

Next Steps:

- Review comments received from this Open House and from government agencies.
- Confirm the preferred route alignment.
- Complete the Project File – Early Summer 2007
- Issue Notice of Completion and proceed with 30-day Review Period – Summer 2007.

- The Notice of Completion will be published in the Toronto Star and a copy will be mailed to those on the mailing list. It also will be posted on the City of Toronto's website.

Staying Informed:

**For Project information
The City of Toronto's website is:
www.toronto.ca/involved**

Your comments are welcomed and appreciated. Please complete a Comment Sheet and return it to staff at the Registration Table or place in the 'In Box'. You can also fax or use the provided postage paid envelope to mail a Comment Sheet to the address below by, April 4, 2007.

If you would like to provide your comments or if you require further information on this project, please contact:

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Preliminary Preferred Route Map

