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## **Dufferin Sanitary Trunk Sewer System Improvements**

### Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study Notice of Study Commencement

#### **Study Overview**

The City of Toronto has initiated a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study to address problems and opportunities with the Dufferin Sanitary Trunk Sewer (STS) in the Dufferin Street and Finch Avenue West area (see study area map). The purpose of the Class EA study is to assess system improvements for the Dufferin STS including the possibility for rehabilitation and/or relocation within the study area. The study will recommend solutions to achieve the following objectives:

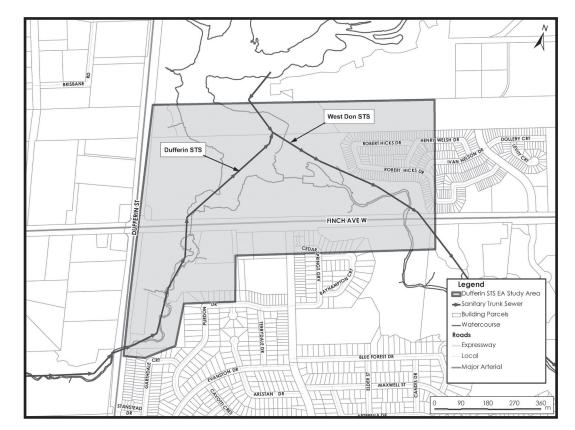
- Bring the Dufferin STS to a state of good repair
- Reduce inflow and infiltration in the Dufferin STS
- Improve the operations and maintenance of the Dufferin STS infrastructure

#### Background

Built in the early 1960s, the Dufferin STS is part of the City's Don Sanitary Trunk Sewer Collection System. Sections of the Dufferin STS in the Dufferin Street and Finch Avenue West area are located under the G. Ross Lord Reservoir, which was built in 1973 to reduce the risk of flooding to downstream communities. As a result of the Dufferin STS' deterioration over the years and its alignment under the reservoir, there is a significant amount of infiltration and inflow of stormwater into the trunk sewer and there are trunk sewer sections and manholes that are inaccessible for maintenance, which poses operational challenges.

#### **The Process**

The study is being planned as a Schedule "B" project under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process (Municipal Engineers Association 2000 as amended in 2007, 2011, and 2015). The Class EA process provides members of the public and interested parties with opportunities to provide input at key stages of the study. The studies will define the problems and their causes, consider and evaluate alternative solutions, assess impacts of the preferred solutions, and identify measures to lessen any adverse impacts.



#### **Public Consultation**

A Public Information Centre (PIC) is planned for this Class EA project. It will take place in the spring of 2017. City staff and the consulting team will be present to answer questions and discuss the next steps in the process. Notification of the PIC will be advertised in the local community newspaper and notices mailed to residents within the study area.

#### We would like to hear from you

Public consultation is an important part of this study. Visit the project website for more information or contact us if you want to be placed on our mailing list for updates.

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