

Steeles Avenue Widening and Morningside Avenue Extension

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Welcome

Welcome to the public drop-in event for the Steeles Avenue Widening and Morningside Extension. The panels will present information on the project background, approved alignment, and work plan.

City staff are here to discuss the project with you and answer questions. The information presented today is available online at:

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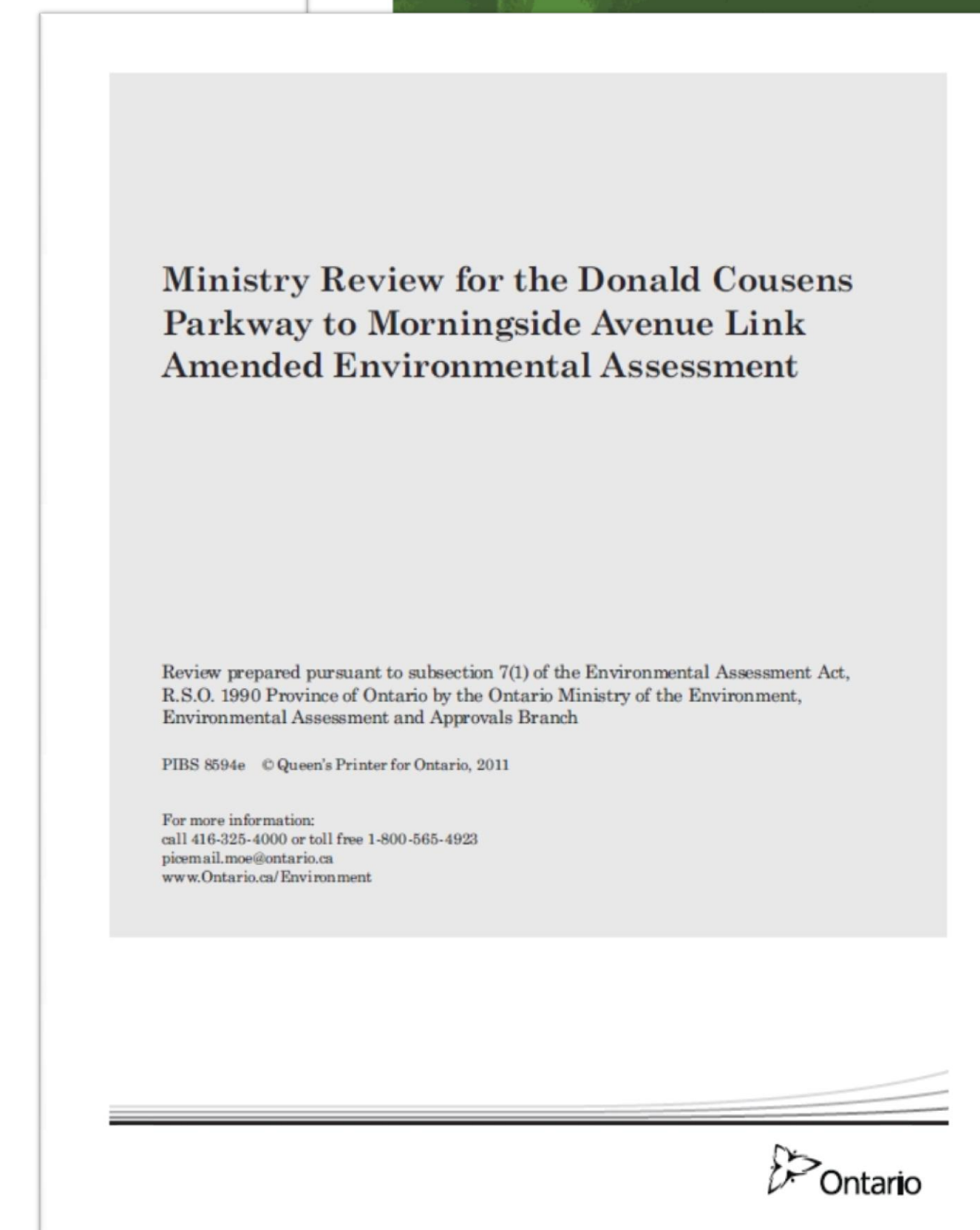
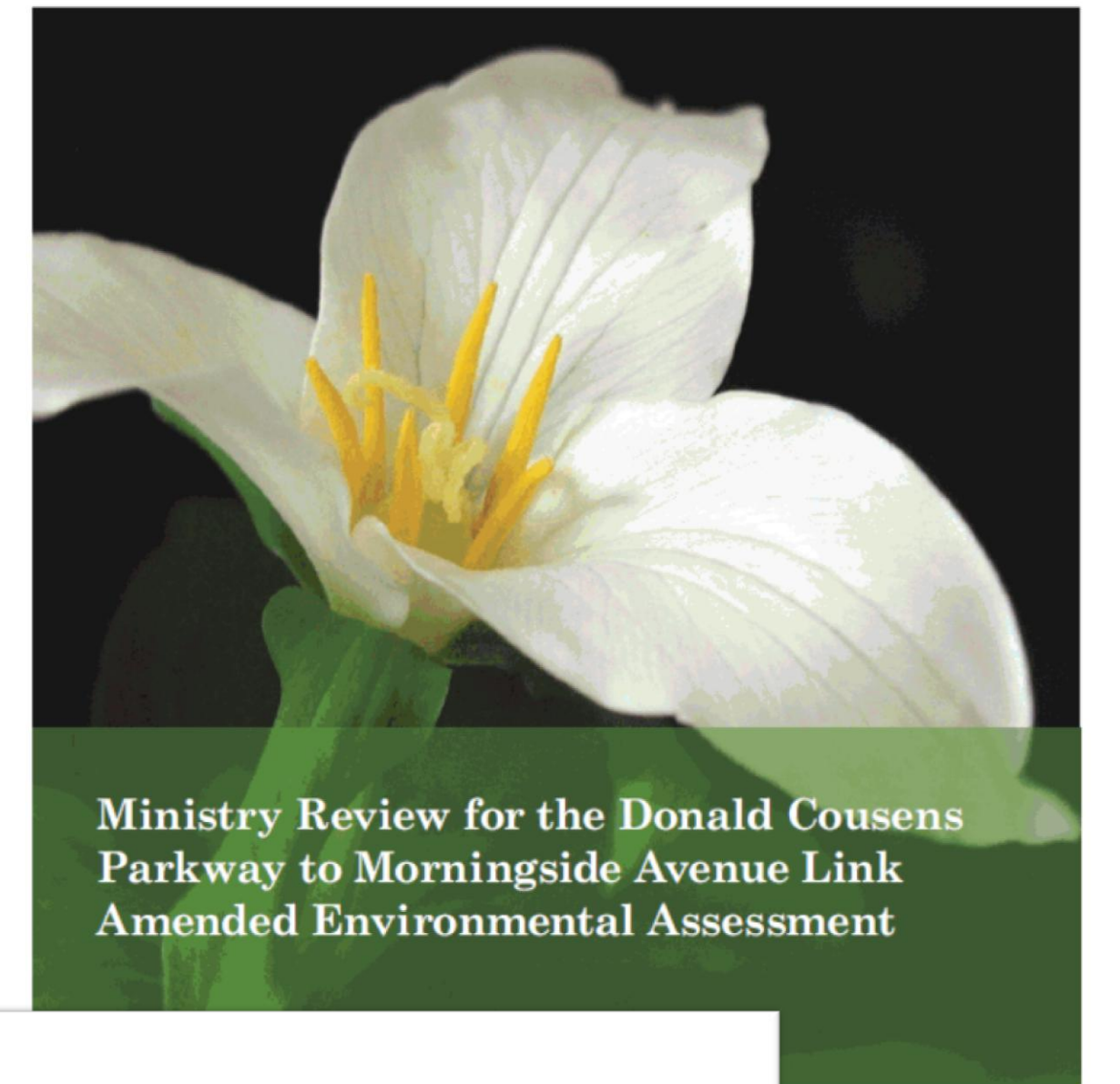
Background

- **Environmental Assessment (EA)**
 - York Region commenced an EA in 2005 to address existing and future transportation deficiencies across the boundary of the southeastern areas of the Town of Markham and northeastern areas of City of Toronto
 - EA included a number of transportation improvements including:
 - widening of Steeles Avenue East from Tapscott Road to Ninth Line (Donald Cousens Parkway) from 2 to 6 lanes
 - extension of Morningside Avenue from McNicoll Avenue to Steeles Avenue East
 - widening of Ninth Line (Donald Cousens Parkway) from 2 to 4 lanes

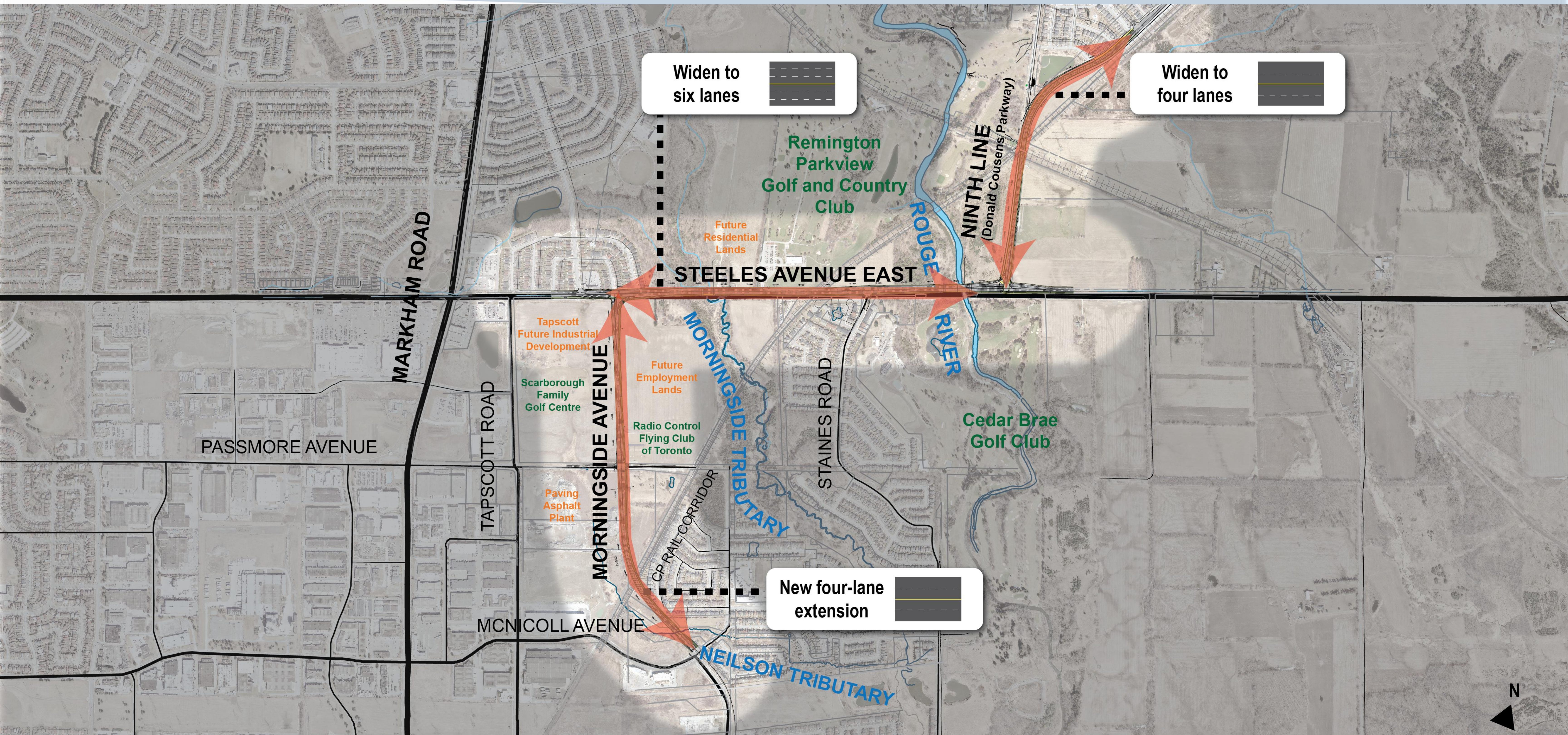


Background

- In January 2013, Minister of the Environment gave an approval of the EA
- Under the Minister's approval, a number of conditions were imposed including:
 - the need for cost sharing and implementation agreement to be developed by York Region and the City of Toronto
 - a hold on construction until a cost sharing and implementation agreement has been reached
- Funding (2013 – Ongoing)
 - City of Toronto and York Region are working to develop cost sharing principles for the construction and maintenance of improvements to Steeles Avenue East.
 - In anticipation of a cost sharing agreement, the City of Toronto has identified \$38 million in it's 10 year Capital Plan for the Steeles Avenue East widening.



Approved Alignment

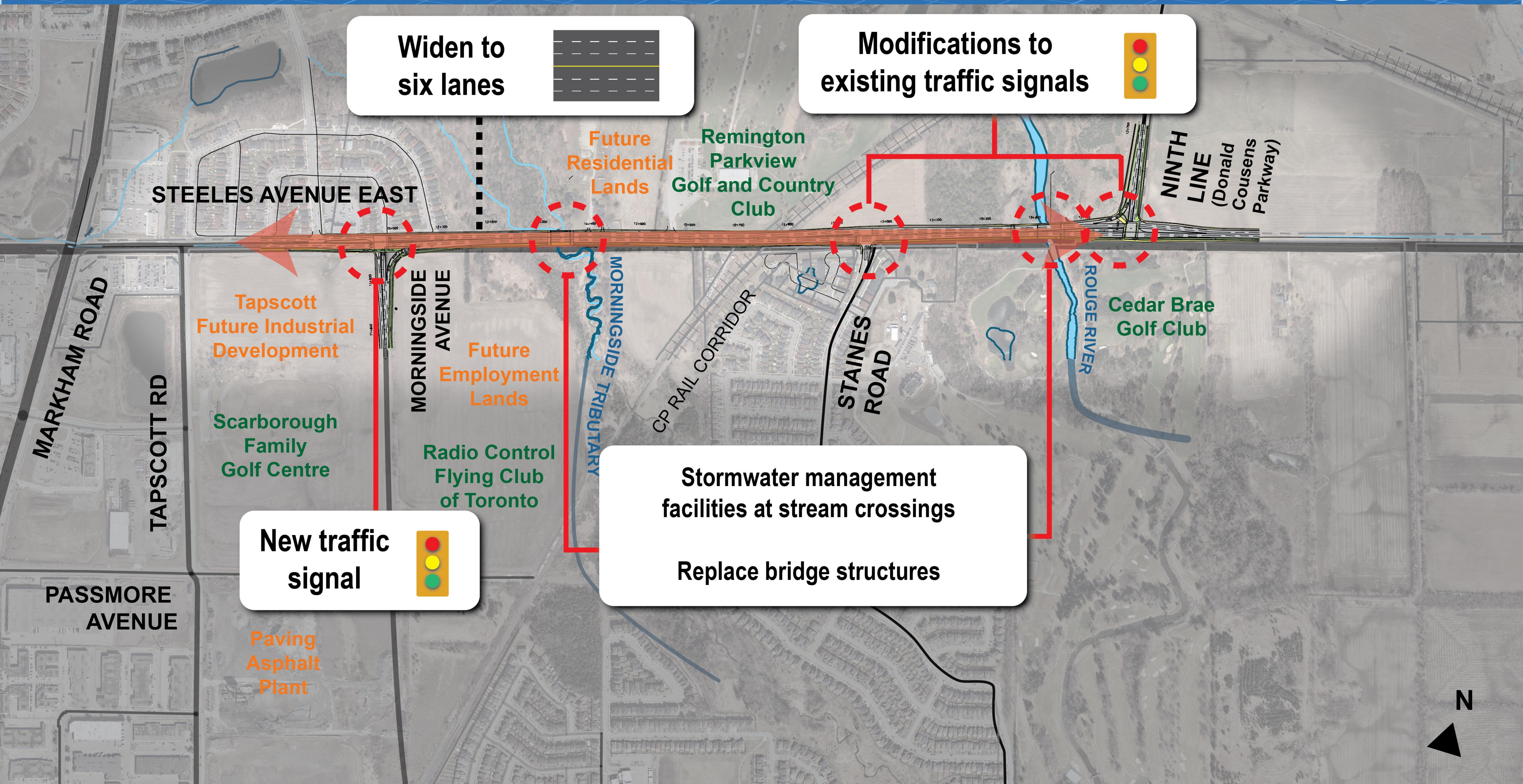


Steeles Avenue East Widening

- Widen from Tapscott Road to Ninth Line (1.5 km in length)
- The road will feature:
 - 3 vehicle lanes in both directions
 - sidewalk on both sides of the street
 - bike facility on both sides of the street
- Replacement of existing bridges on Steeles Avenue over Morningside Creek and Rouge River
- Storm water management Facilities with particular attention paid to river crossings

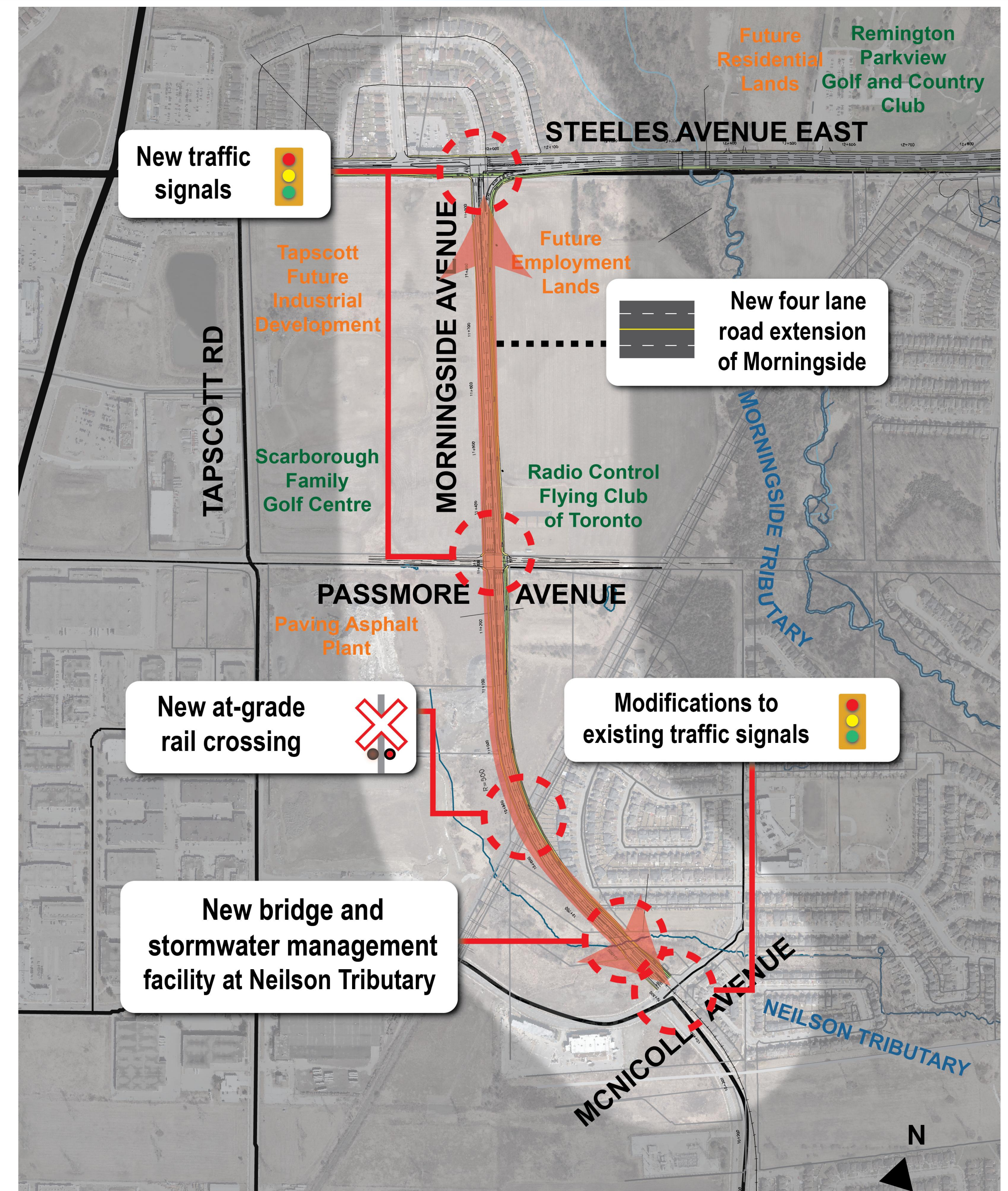


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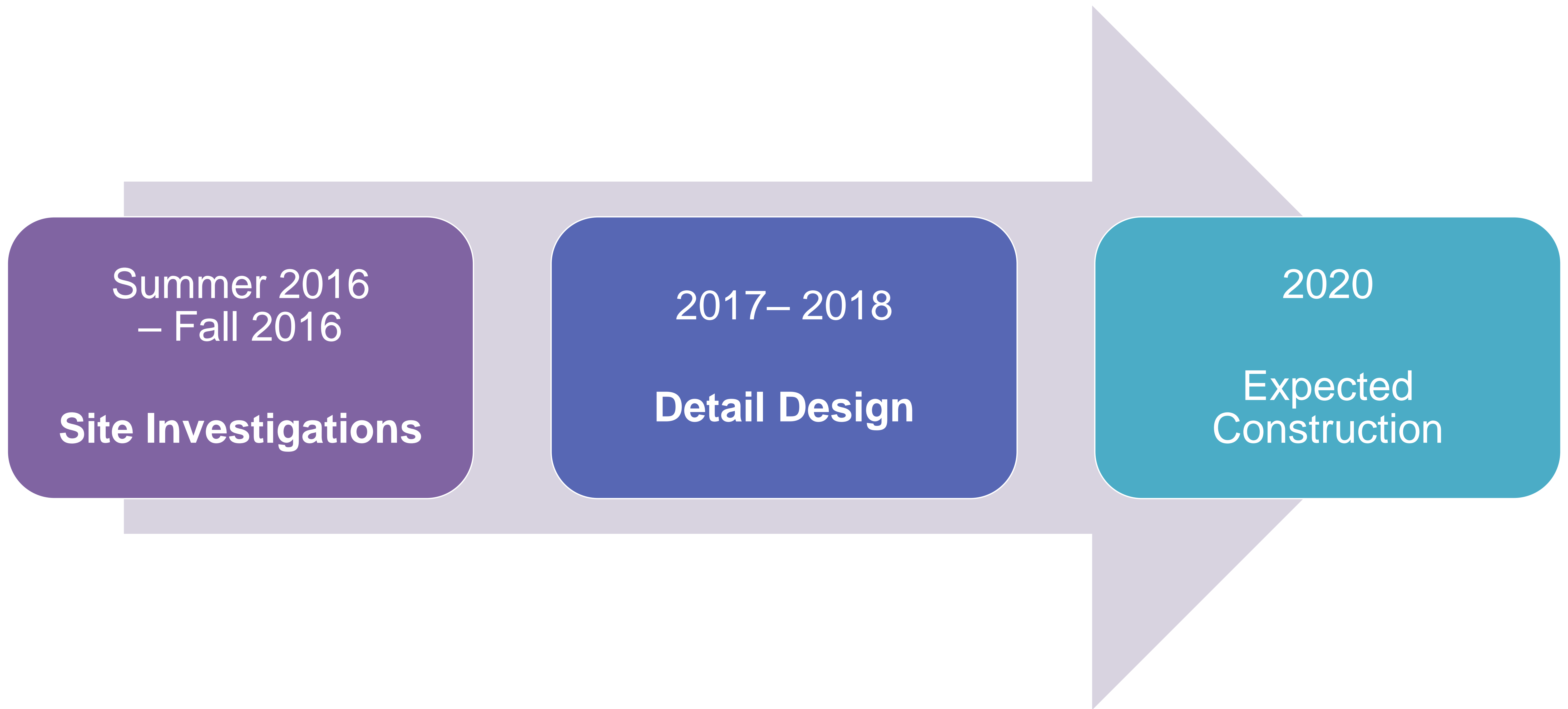


Morningside Avenue Extension

- Extend from Steeles Avenue East to McNicoll Avenue
- The 1.5 km road extension will feature:
 - 2 vehicle lanes in each direction
 - sidewalks on both sides of the street
 - bike facility on the east side (bi-directional) of the street
- A new bridge will be constructed at the Neilson Tributary crossing



Steeles Avenue - Timeline of Work



Site investigations | Summer 2016 – Fall 2016

In June 2016, contractors started performing various investigations to confirm field conditions.

These investigations include:

- topographic and legal survey
- taking pavement and soil samples
- review of existing utilities
- closed circuit television inspection of storm sewers
- Stage 2 archaeological assessment



Detail Design | 2017 – 2018

- Develop designs for the following elements:

Roadways

Cycling
facilities

Bridges

Rail
crossings

Storm water
management

New utility
installation

- Review property requirements
- Refine cost estimates
- Review constructability
- Prepare construction staging and traffic management plans
- Obtain permits and approvals

Expected Construction

- Construction funding to be shared between York Region and the City of Toronto
- Construction of Steeles Avenue East widening targeted for 2020
- Construction of Morningside Extension dependent on redevelopment of private lands



Review & Permitting

- Extensive coordination with numerous agencies is required before construction
- We will consult with:
 - York Region
 - Ministry of Environment and Climate Change
 - Federal Department of Fisheries & Oceans and Transport Canada
 - Provincial Ministry of Natural Resources
 - Toronto & Region Conservation Authority
 - Rouge Park
 - Utility companies (Bell, Rogers, Enbridge, Toronto Hydro, Hydro One, Pipelines)
 - National Energy Board
 - Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
 - Toronto & York Region Police
 - Toronto Transit Commission and York Region Transit
 - First Nations

Keeping You Informed

- Meet with the community while we finalize the design to inform you of planned work
- Issue Pre-Construction Notice by mail / email (about 3 months before work starts)
- Issue Construction Notice by mail / email (about 1 month before work starts)

Keeping You Informed

Stay in Touch

1. Visit the project webpage www.toronto.ca/steelesmorningside
2. Speak with the Project Team
3. Submit comments and feedback

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