

Basement Flooding Remediation Master Plan Study

Study Area 45: Black Creek Area Notice of Study Completion

The City of Toronto has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study to determine contributing factors for surface and basement flooding in areas along Black Creek. Study Area 45, which consists of several underground sewer systems in the area roughly bounded by Steeles Avenue West, St. Clair Avenue West, Highway 400 and Keele Street, has experienced basement and surface flooding during severe rainstorms in the past. The objective of the study was to provide recommendations for City infrastructure improvements to reduce the risk of future flooding.

Following consultation with agencies, City Divisions and the public, the following are the study recommendations, accepted by the City:

Two Schedule B and 27 Schedule A+ projects, including

- 234 new and upsized storm and sanitary sewers
- Sections of large diameter storm and sanitary sewer used for temporary, in-line storage during heavy rain storms
- Sewer outfall improvements (stormwater discharge outlet to creeks)
- Catchbasin management in the form of inlet control devices and high capacity inlets

Opportunities for review

The study was carried out following the requirements for Schedule B projects under the Municipal Class EA. The Project File has been placed on public record for a 45-day review period starting July 29, 2021 and ending September 17, 2021.

The Executive Summary is available for review at toronto.ca/bf45 or by contacting the City staff listed on this notice if you would like to receive the full Project File.

Interested persons may provide written comments to our project team by September 17, 2021. All comments and concerns should be addressed to City staff listed on this notice and we will attempt to find a mutually acceptable resolution.

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Information will be collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. All comments will become part of the public record. Unless you request that your personal information remain confidential, all personal information included in a request for an order, may be made available to the general public by the Ministry under the authority of the Environmental Assessment Act and/or s.37 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

A request may be made to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order requiring a higher level of study, or that conditions be imposed, only on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests on other grounds will not be considered. Requests must include your contact information and be received by September 17, 2021.

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (request for conditions or a request for an individual/comprehensive environmental assessment), how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts on Aboriginal and treaty rights, and any information in support of the statements in the request. This will ensure that the ministry is able to efficiently begin reviewing the request.

The request should be sent in writing or by email to:
Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor, Toronto ON M7A 2J3
minister.mecp@ontario.ca

AND
Director, Environmental Assessment Branch
Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Floor, Toronto ON, M4V 1P5
EABDirector@ontario.ca

Requests should also be copied to the City of Toronto by mail or e-mail. For more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act visit: www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-part-ii-order.

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