



yonge**T**omorrow

Public Engagement and Consultation Report

Appendix 1: Communications and Promotional Materials

November 2021

Phase 2: Spring 2018-Fall 2019	Round One <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice of Commencement, PIC 1 • IEC (Oct 17) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project E-Blast #1 • Project E-Blast #2 	April 24, 2019 October 9, 2019
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Phase 3: Winter 2020-Fall 2020	Round Three <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Event #3 • Event Reminder • Questionnaire Reminder + Extension • R3 Summary Report + IEC • Report to Council • Letter from GM • IEC endorses • Council adopts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project E-Blast #6 • Project E-Blast #7 • Project E-Blast #8 • Project E-Blast #8 • Project E-Blast #9 • Project E-Blast #10 • Project E-Blast #11 • Project E-Blast #12 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sept 2, 2020 • Sept 15, 2020 • Sept 30, 2020 • Dec 2, 2020 • Dec 24, 2020 • Jan 8, 2021 • Jan 28, 2021 • Feb 11, 2021
Phase 4: Winter 2021	Notice of Completion		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 18, 2021



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January 8, 2019

Chunmei Lui
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Dear Chunmei,

The City of Toronto is initiating the Yonge Tomorrow study. The study will be carried out according to the approved environmental planning process for a Schedule C project under the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA).

The purpose of the study is to develop, evaluate and recommend design options intended to improve streetscaping and increase pedestrian space, along with other possibilities to improve the way people move through and enjoy the Yonge Street public right-of-way between Queen Street and College/Carlton Street. Attached is a map showing the study area.

The design options are intended to increase pedestrian space through a variety of means, including: sidewalk widenings, a potential narrowing of the traffic lane widths, reduction in the number of traffic lanes and diversion of loading activities to adjacent public laneways and side streets, where possible.

A Notice of Study Commencement is expected to be issued in early 2019. In advance of the notice being issued, the City would appreciate the Ministry's comments on the undertaking and a list of Indigenous communities to be engaged.

If you require further information or have any questions, please contact the following staff:

Maogosha Pyjor
Tel: 416-338-2850
Email: Maogosha.Pyjor@toronto.ca

Sincerely,

Tracy Manolakis
Manager, Public Consultation Unit
City of Toronto

c. Jeffrey Dea, Transportation Services
Johanna Kyte, Transportation Services

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yongeTOMorrow Notice of Commencement and Public Event

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study

The City is holding a drop-in event where you can learn more about this study, ask questions and share your comments:



Thursday, May 9, 2019

Open House

4 p.m. - 8 p.m.



Courtyard Marriott Toronto Downtown

The Alexander Room



475 Yonge Street (north of Carlton Street)

Our public meeting location is wheelchair accessible.

Background

Yonge Street is an iconic destination in the heart of downtown Toronto where residents and visitors come to live, work, learn and play. Currently, the sidewalks on Yonge Street have some of the highest pedestrian volumes in Canada. There has also been a considerable amount of development in the neighbourhood and the current population and employment are projected to double by 2041.

City Council has identified Yonge Street as one of Toronto's Great Streets - a significant retail and civic corridor to be developed as a pedestrian priority urban destination.

The City of Toronto is carrying out a study that will focus on the section of Yonge Street from Queen Street to College/Carlton Street. A number of opportunities will be considered to increase pedestrian space and improve the way people move through and experience Yonge Street.

The Process

The study is being carried out under Schedule 'C' of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA), which is an approved planning process under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. The public will have opportunities for input at key stages of this study. The study will define the problem, develop and evaluate alternative solutions, review public and stakeholder feedback, and identify measures to minimize any impacts.

An Environmental Study Report will be prepared at the end of the process in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class EA.

We would like to hear from you. Visit our website to complete the questionnaire.

If you have any questions, contact:



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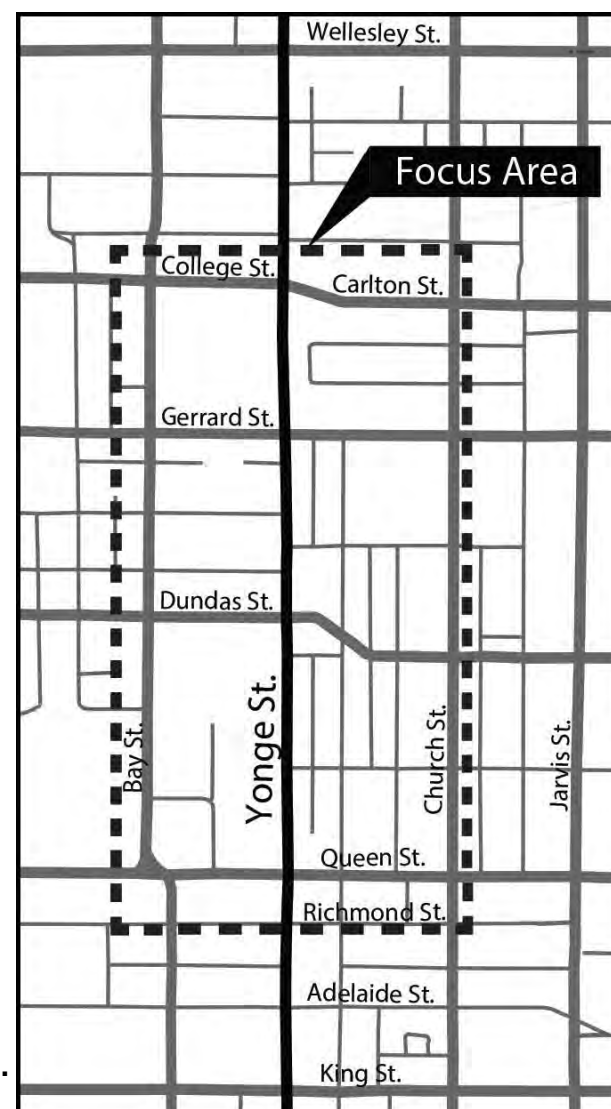
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Dundas and Yonge Square, Toronto, CA*

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Public Event

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Location: Courtyard Marriott Toronto Downtown, The Alexander Room
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We invite you to attend a drop-in event to learn about the City's study, the work completed to date and the next steps in this process.

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Photo by: Dominic Bugatto



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Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study

For over a century, Yonge Street has been an iconic destination in the heart of downtown Toronto for both residents and visitors. Today, downtown Yonge Street is booming with development and high volumes of pedestrian activity. The City of Toronto is conducting a study that will consider a number of opportunities to increase pedestrian space and improve the way people move through and experience Yonge Street between Queen Street and College/Carlton Street.


Thanks to public feedback, three street design options have been short-listed for downtown Yonge Street:

- **Two driving lanes** with an improved pedestrian experience, seating and patios
- **One-way driving lane** with space dedicated for deliveries, ride hailing and services and wider sidewalks
- **Pedestrian priority** with a focus on active transportation, tourism, events and vehicle access managed by time

We would like to hear from you

We invite you to attend the second drop-in event to learn more about the street design options, how they can be applied to Yonge Street block by block and the preliminary recommendation. Staff will be available to answer your questions and receive your comments.

 **Thursday, November 21, 2019**
Drop-in anytime from 4 to 8 p.m.

 **Central YMCA, Auditorium**
20 Grosvenor Street
(just south of Wellesley St. W.)

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Feedback is encouraged through the online questionnaire until December 6, 2019.

Study process

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Artist's rendering of Yonge Street between Shuter Street and Queen Street looking north

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The City of Toronto is studying ways to increase pedestrian space and improve the way people move through and experience Yonge Street between College/Carlton Street and Queen Street.

The watermain beneath Yonge Street will soon need replacing and this construction provides an opportunity to consider a new street design to better serve everyone.

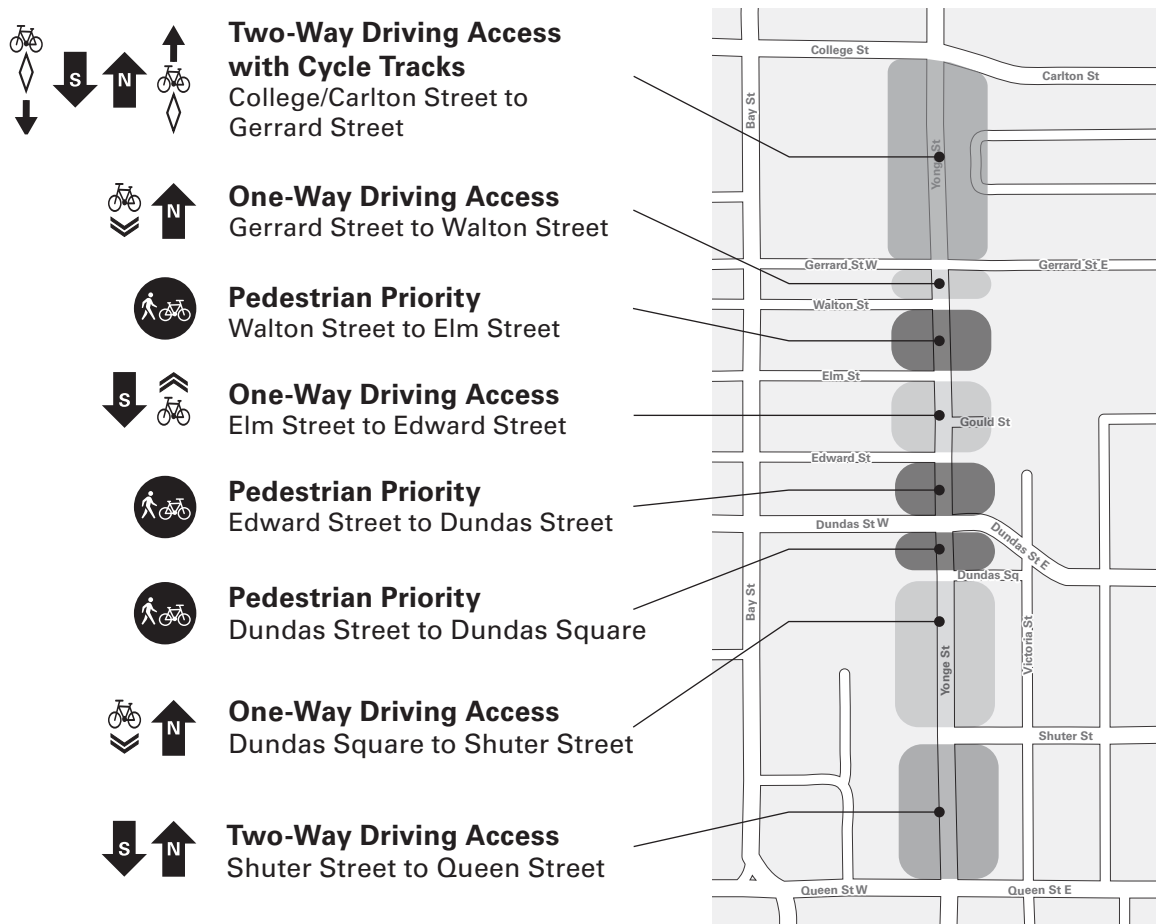
Thanks to public feedback, we now have a recommended plan for Yonge Street which:

- prioritizes pedestrians
- provides more protection for cyclists
- maintains access for transit, deliveries, ride hailing and parking garages

Recommended Design Concept – 4C

Pedestrian Priority with One-Way Driving Access and Cycle Tracks

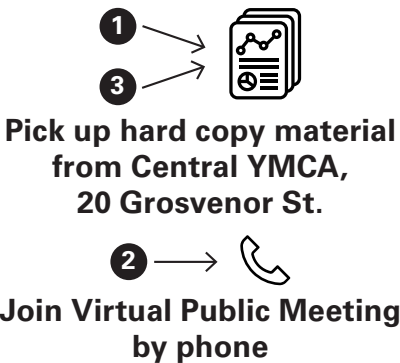

The map shows the proposed daytime operation from 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Overnight, there would be two-way driving access for buses, cars and trucks on all blocks. The plan also includes a cycle track on University Avenue from College Street to Adelaide Street.



We Would Like to Hear from You

Based on the expert advice of our Medical Officer of Health to practice physical distancing to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and protect the health and safety of Toronto residents and our staff, **Round Three Consultation will be conducted online, by phone and by mail only.**

How to Participate

Online Participation	Analog Participation	Other Participation Options
 <p>Find information on project web page</p>	 <p>Pick up hard copy material from Central YMCA, 20 Grosvenor St.</p> <p>Join Virtual Public Meeting by phone</p>	 <p>Email or call Project Staff to discuss</p>
Comment Deadline: September 30, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.		

1 Review the Consultation Materials



Before the Virtual Public Meeting, watch the project briefing video or read the consultation material to learn more about the study and the Recommended Design Concept.

2 Join Public Event #3 – Virtual Public Meeting

 **Wednesday, September 16, 2020, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

The meeting will include a brief overview of the study and an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback. It will be recorded and available afterwards on the project web page.

Participants are encouraged to email or phone in questions in advance, by 5 p.m. on September 16th. All questions will be shared with the project team and frequently raised questions will be answered during the meeting.

 Join by computer, smartphone or tablet	 Join by phone (audio only)
Register: Receive meeting link and password by email If you are unable to register, visit the project web page by 6:20 p.m. for the meeting link and password.	Dial: 416-915-6530 Access Code: 133 110 3327 Call in starting at 6:20 p.m. Participants by phone <u>will not</u> be able to ask live questions during the meeting.

3 Complete the Online Questionnaire

Provide your feedback on the Recommended Design Concept by September 30th.

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If you have any questions, contact:

Mail: Maogosha Pyjor, Senior Public Consultation Coordinator

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Photo: Ryerson University

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Yonge Street is scheduled for important construction work (watermain replacement) which provides an opportunity to consider alternate street designs that better serve everyone.

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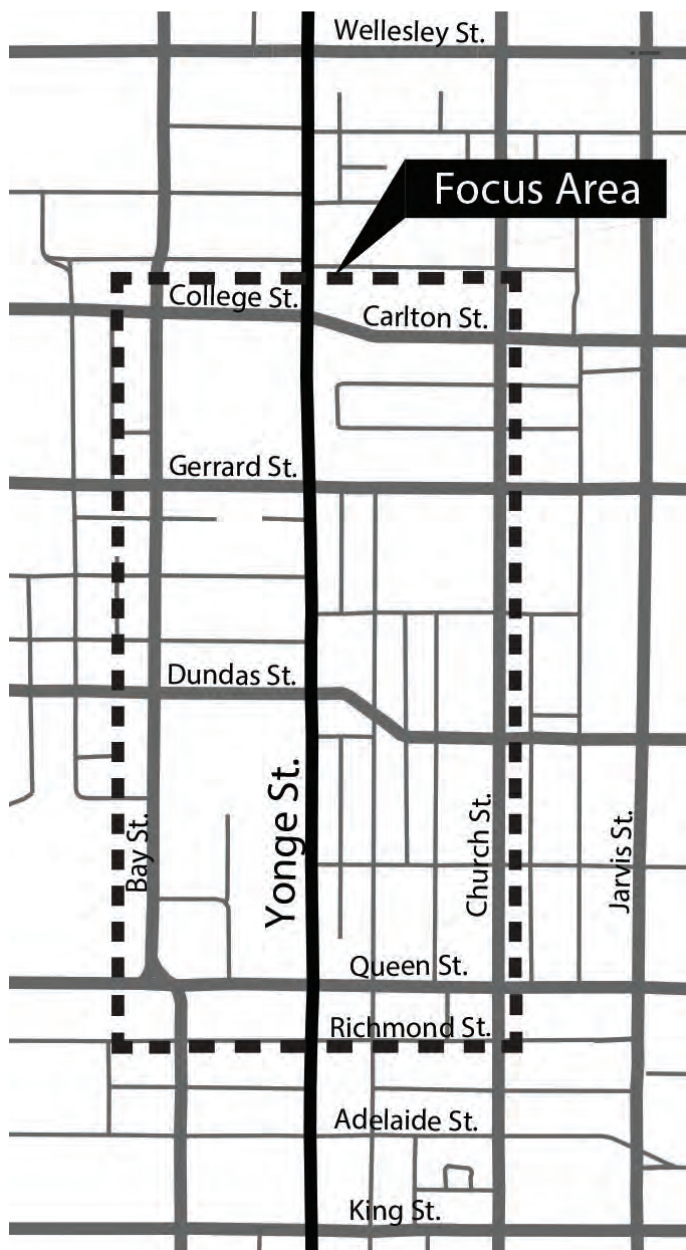


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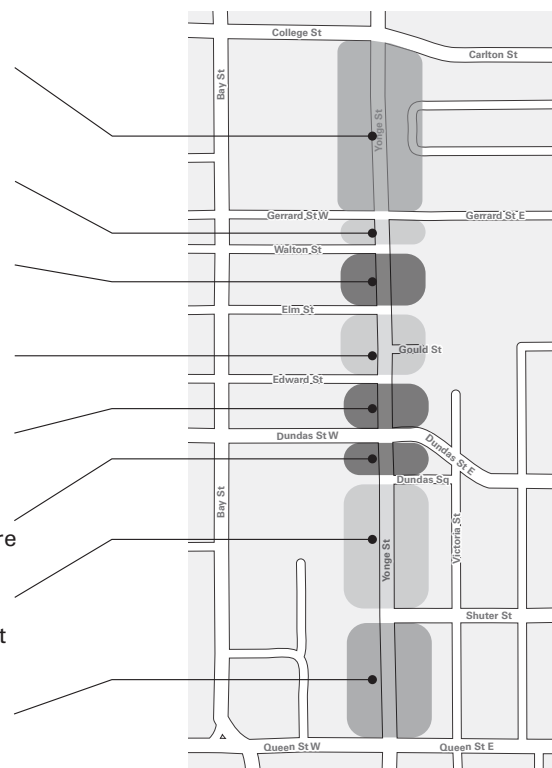
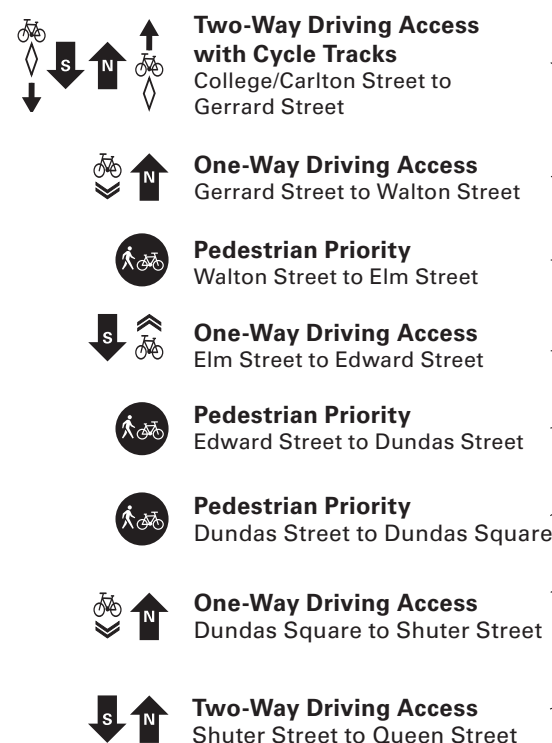
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Recommended Design Concept – 4C

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Issue Date: September 3, 2020

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Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Notice of Study Completion

The City of Toronto has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment that evaluated potential improvements to the Yonge Street public right-of-way between Queen Street and College/Carlton Street that are consistent with the City's objectives to increase pedestrian space and improve the way people move through and experience downtown Yonge Street.

The Preferred Design Concept for Yonge Street, as documented in the Environmental Study Report (ESR), includes increasing sidewalk widths and providing other improvements to the public realm by reducing the existing four driving lanes cross-section to two lanes and introducing separated cycling facilities north of Gerrard Street to College Street. The following design elements are consistent for the full length of the corridor from Queen Street to College / Carlton Street:

- 6.6 metre wide, two lane roadway with mountable curbs and vehicular paving stone
- 2.7 metre wide furnishing, planting, café and curbside activity zone (the “activity zone”) on each side of the street
- 4.0 metre wide (minimum) pedestrian clearway with pedestrian paving stone, on each side of the street

City staff will continue to consult on the operational plan for Yonge Street during detailed design. Operational elements that may be considered as part of this include potential pedestrian priority areas, turn movements/restrictions, one-way/two-way driving access, signal timing, and loading, among others. The operational plan will be brought to the appropriate Committee of Council for consideration prior to construction.

Opportunities for review

The yongeTOMorrow Environmental Assessment was carried out following the requirements for “Schedule C” projects under the Municipal Class EA. An Environmental Study Report has been placed on public record for a 30-day review period starting **November 18, 2021, and ending on December 20, 2021. It is available for review at: toronto.ca/yongeTOMorrow or by contacting the City staff listed on this notice.**

Interested persons may provide written comments to the project team by December 20, 2021. All comments and concerns should be addressed to City staff listed on this notice.

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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 December 20, 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:
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-part-ii-order>

Issue Date: November 18, 2021

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.