

# **Notice of Public Information Centre #1**

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for Bridges 1-P, 28-P, 30-P, 32-P & 33-P

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#### You Are Invited!

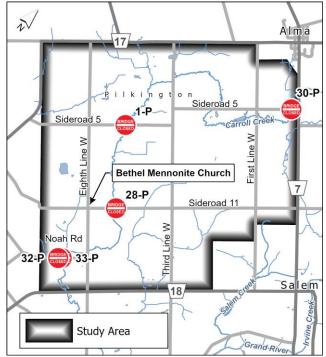
Further to the Notice of Commencement letter that was sent on July 20, 2023 regarding the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for Bridges 1-P, 28-P, 30-P, 32-P & 33-P, we would like to welcome your attendance at the first of two in-person Public Open House meetings for the project. This Open House Public Information Centre (PIC) will present project information to the community and stakeholders and will be an avenue for you to provide your comments relating to the role of these structures within the local community.

**Date & Time:** September 6, 2023, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm **Location:** Bethel Mennonite Church, 6772 8<sup>th</sup> Line W., Elora, ON NOB 1S0

### The Project

The Township of Centre Wellington has initiated a Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) to evaluate options and select a preferred alternative for five (5) bridge structures (Structures 1-P, 28-P, 30-P, 32-P & 33-P) that are located within a twenty square kilometre (20km<sup>2</sup>) area of road networks located within the former Township of Pilkington. The structures are currently closed to vehicular traffic due to their deteriorated state. This study will evaluate the role of these structures within the overall transportation network and connectivity in the local community and determine the most suitable alternative at each location.

The existing structures are all narrow, single lane structures that have exceeded their service life at an age of nearly 100 years old. The structures have been closed to the public for several years due to their poor condition state and decreased load carrying capacity. The locations of the structures are shown in the key plan herein.



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#### The Study Process

The project is being conducted in accordance with the planning and design processes for Schedule 'B' projects, as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (2023), which is approved under the Environmental Assessment Act. The MCEA process includes consultation with agencies, stakeholders, Indigenous communities and public; an evaluation of alternative solutions to address the problem; development of a design concept for the preferred solution; an assessment of potential environmental impacts; and identification of reasonable measures to mitigate any potential adverse impacts. At the conclusion of the Study, a Project File Report will be prepared for public review.

## **Consultation and Input**

At the PIC, background information of the project and the MCEA process will be provided, and attendees will have the opportunity to direct any comments or questions related to the project directly to the Project Team.

If you are unable to attend the PIC, a webpage containing study information is available. An online forum will be made available at this webpage from **September 6<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023** to allow stakeholders to share, collaborate, exchange ideas and learn more about this project. To access the online forum and review ongoing project updates, visit the webpage at:

#### https://www.connectcw.ca/centre-wellington-5-bridge-eas-in-former-pilkington-township

If you have questions or comments regarding the study, or would like to be included on the mailing list to receive future notices and study updates, please contact one of the Project Team members below:

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