



Notice of Completion of the Environmental Project Report

Union Station Rail Corridor (USRC) East Enhancements Project - Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP)

The Project

Metrolinx, an agency of the Province of Ontario, has completed an Environmental Project Report (EPR) in accordance with *Ontario Regulation 231/08* made under the *Environmental Assessment Act* for the Union Station Rail Corridor (USRC) East Enhancements Project. Metrolinx intends to proceed with the Project in accordance with the EPR.

Metrolinx is transforming the way the region moves by delivering the largest transit infrastructure program in Canadian history. The Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) is now home to nearly seven million people and heading towards nine million by 2041. To address the urgent transit needs of the GTHA, the Province of Ontario committed to implement more GO service and make other infrastructure improvements to the GO system to help create new transit connections and provide faster service across the region.

To support this service expansion, Metrolinx is proposing to expand and improve the eastern portion of the USRC, east of Yonge Street to west of Corktown Common Park, within the City of Toronto. The plan is to add track capacity (one track to the north and two tracks to the south of the existing rail corridor), increase train storage capacity (Wilson Yard) and modify the following bridges to accommodate the new tracks:

- South side of Lower Jarvis Street
 - North and south side of Lower Sherbourne Street
- North side of Parliament Street
 - North side of Cherry Street

The Process

The environmental impacts of this transit project were assessed and an Environmental Project Report was prepared according to the Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP), as *prescribed in Ontario Regulation 231/08, Transit Projects and Metrolinx Undertakings*, made under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. The EPR for the USRC East Enhancements Project is now available for a 30-day review period starting August 17, 2018 on the Project website (www.metrolinx.com/unionstationeast) and at the following locations:

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch

135 St. Clair Ave. W., 1st Floor, Toronto, ON M4V 1P5
tel: 416-314-8001 / toll-free: 1-800-461-6290
Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Toronto District Office

8th Floor, 5775 Yonge St., Toronto, ON M2M 4J1
tel: 416-326-6700
Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Toronto Public Library - St. Lawrence Branch

171 Front St. E., Toronto, ON M5A 4H3
tel: 416-393-7655
Monday: 10:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday: 12:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Metrolinx Head Office

97 Front St. W. - 2nd Floor Reception
Toronto, ON M5J 1E6
tel: 416-874-5900
Monday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Toronto Public Library

City Hall Branch

100 Queen St. W., Toronto, ON M5H 2N3
tel: 416-393-7650
Monday to Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Cooper Koo YMCA

461 Cherry Street, Toronto, ON M5A 0H7
tel: 437-222-9622
Monday to Friday: 6:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Interested persons are encouraged to review the EPR and provide comments by **September 17, 2018** to:

Union Station Rail Corridor East Enhancements Project

c/o Stacey Kenny - Senior Advisor, Communications
& Community Relations, Metrolinx
20 Bay Street, Suite 600, Toronto, ON M5J 2W3
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website: metrolinx.com/unionstationeast

There are circumstances where the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks has the authority to require further consideration of the transit project or impose conditions on it. These include if the Minister is of the opinion that:

- The transit project may have a negative impact on a matter of provincial importance that relates to the natural environment or has cultural heritage value or interest, or
- The transit project may have a negative impact on a constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty right.

Before exercising the authority referred to above, the Minister is required to consider any written objections to the transit project that are received within 30 days after the Notice of Completion of the EPR is first published.

If you have discussed your issues with Metrolinx and you object to this transit project you can provide a written submission to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks no later than **September 17, 2018** to the address provided below. All submissions must clearly indicate that an objection is being submitted and describe any negative impacts to matters of provincial importance (natural/cultural environment) or Aboriginal rights. Objections must be received within 30 days after the Notice of Completion of the EPR is first published.

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks

Environmental Assessment and Permissions Branch
Attention: Anne Cameron, Project Officer
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st Floor, Toronto, ON M4V 1P5
tel: 416-314-1181 / e-mail: Anne.Cameron@ontario.ca

If not already provided, a copy of the objection will be forwarded to the proponent by the Ministry.

If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact Stacey Kenny (contact information above).

Comments and information regarding this project are being collected to assist in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. All personal information included in a submission - such as name, address, telephone number and property location - is collected, maintained and disclosed by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental Assessment Act* or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s. 37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact Stacey Kenny (contact information above) or the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1434.

Pour plus de renseignements, veuillez composer le 416 869-3200 ou le 1 888 GET-ON-GO (438-6646).

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