

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

Environmental Assessment for Truck Parking Facilities in the City of Vaughan (9025-E-0001)

THE PROJECT

The Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) is undertaking a Class Environmental Assessment Study for the proposed development of truck parking facilities in the City of Vaughan. Three sites are being proposed for development:

- West side of Highway 427, south of Highway 407;
- West of Dufferin Street, between Highway 407 and Highway 7; and
- East of Dufferin Street, between Highway 407 and Highway 7.

A map showing the location of the project limits is included.

Truck parking is an important component of the transportation network. The Greater Toronto Area (GTA) is currently experiencing a shortage of truck parking, creating safety, operational, and economic challenges that are expected to intensify as freight demand continues to grow. There is a need to expand the supply of safe and accessible parking sites for trucks. The Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) is pursuing appropriate provincially owned lands in the GTA that can accommodate truck parking.

THE PROCESS

The study will follow the approved planning process for a Group 'B' project under the Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities and Municipal Expressways (2024). The study will identify environmental considerations, undertake consultation, assess potential environmental effects and develop mitigation measures for the three truck parking facilities.

Consultation is an important component of this study. External stakeholder and public consultation will take place throughout the study, including with Indigenous communities. Project information and updates on the study can be accessed from the project website at [GTATruckParkingInitiative.ca](https://gtatruckparkinginitiative.ca).

Upon completion of the study, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be prepared. The TESR will document the existing conditions of the study area, the evaluation of alternatives, and will identify the preferred plan and commitments to future work. Notifications advising of the availability of the TESR for the 30-day review period will be advertised in the Vaughan Citizen News, on the project website, and sent to the project mailing list.

COMMENTS

We encourage you to visit the project website at any time during the study for updates on this project, to be added to the study mailing list, or to submit questions or comments. If you require further assistance, please contact one of the following project team members if you have any comments, questions or concerns regarding this project.

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All information/comments will be maintained on file for use during the study and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments become part of the public record.

If you need accessibility support to participate in this project, please contact one of the project team members listed above.

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Key Plan – Study Areas for Truck Parking Facilities

