

NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT AND PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

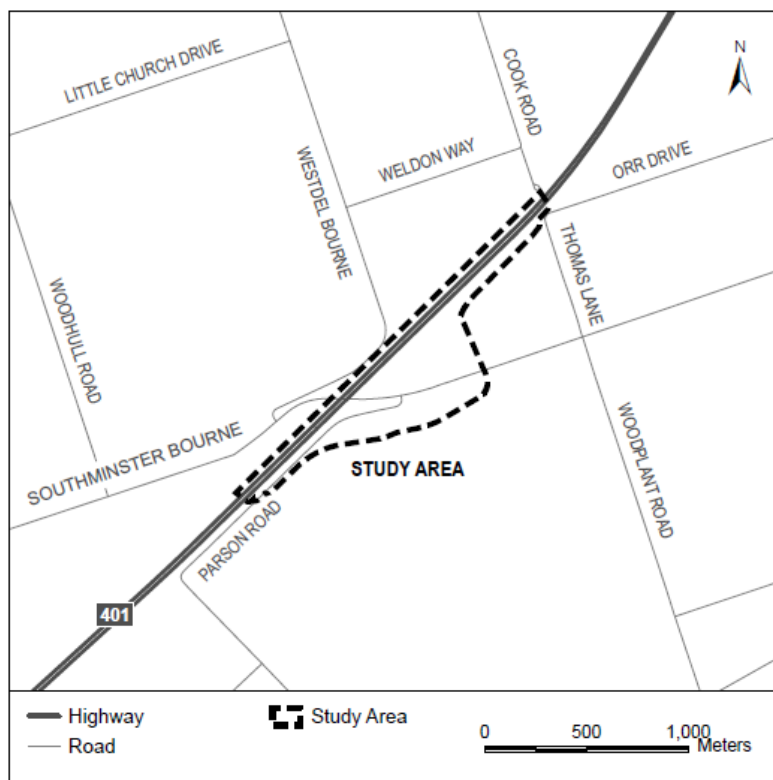
Highway 401 at Southminster Bourne, New Interchange Ramps (WP 3044-26-01)

THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. to undertake the Preliminary Design, Class Environmental Assessment (EA), and Design Build Ready Study for new interchange ramps at Highway 401 and Southminster Bourne. This study will review existing conditions, develop and evaluate potential ramp alternatives, identify potential impacts, and develop preliminary environmental mitigation measures. A Recommended Plan will be confirmed at the completion of the study.

THE PROCESS

This study is a Group 'B' project under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities and Municipal Expressways* (2024) and includes undertaking environmental and engineering field investigations, and seeking input from stakeholders, external agencies, Indigenous communities, and the public. At the end of the study, a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be issued for a 30-day comment period. The TESR will summarize the Class EA process, recommended plan, existing conditions, consultation activities, potential environmental effects, and proposed mitigation.



PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

This notice is to announce the online Public Information Centre (PIC) for this study. The purpose of the PIC is to present and gather feedback on existing conditions, the evaluation of the ramp design alternatives, and the preferred design for the improvements. The PIC displays will be available for your review on the project website at highway401tilburytolondon.ca from **September 16, 2026**, to **October 7, 2026**.

COMMENTS

You are encouraged to participate in the study and to provide comments to the Project Team. If you wish to have your name added to the project mailing list or have questions about the study, please contact:

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You are encouraged to visit the project website at highway401tilburytolondon.ca, where project information including notices, the PIC displays, and the TESR will be made available as the study progresses.

If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact one of the Project Team members listed above. Comments and information are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments will be maintained on file for use during the study and, with the exception of personal information, may be included in study documentation and become part of the public record.