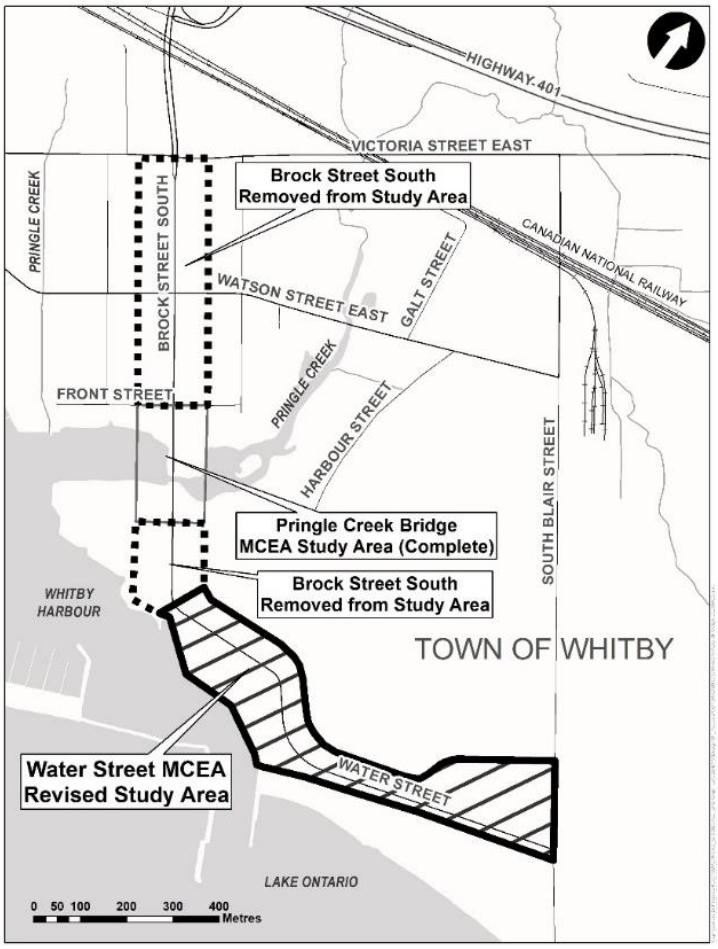
Notice of Study Completion

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study
Water Street Improvements between Brock Street South and South Blair Street

Study and Background

The Town of Whitby (the Town) has completed the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) Schedule 'C' Study initiated in the Fall of 2018 to explore possible road modifications and improvements along Water Street (in south Whitby) from Brock Street South to South Blair Street. This study was undertaken to identify opportunities to enhance the corridor experience along the Whitby Waterfront; accommodate active transportation and travel needs within the area; and address road alignment and drainage deficiencies. These improvements are part of the Town's ongoing efforts and partnerships to transform the Whitby waterfront into a destination of choice for all to enjoy.



As indicated previously the project study area was reduced from that initially presented at Community Open House #1 (November 2018) to include only Water Street between Brock Street South and South Blair Street. The Brock Street South component was removed to allow the Water Street study area to be more focused with the Town now being the sole proponent of the study.

Following an evaluation of Road Alignment and Cross-Section concepts as presented at Community Open House #3 (January 2024) and in consideration of all the feedback received, the Town has selected the Recommended Plan that consists of Preferred Road Alignment #1 (Roundabout and Curve Correction) and Preferred Cross-Section #1 (Cycle Track and Multi-Use Paths).

The Recommended Plan will maintain the existing road alignment with a 130-metre curve correction. A roundabout will be provided on Water Street east of Brock Street South, and another one at the intersection of Water Street and South Blair Street. The Preferred Cross-section provides a 3.0 metre multi-use path on both sides of the road, and a two-way cycle track on the south side. Streetscaping opportunities will also be provided through the planting of street trees in the boulevards and in the median.

The Process

The study has been conducted in accordance with the planning and design process for a Schedule 'C' project, as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment parent document (October 2000, amended in 2007, 2011, 2015 and 2023) as prepared by the Municipal Engineers Association, approved under the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (R.S.O. 1990, c. E.18). An **Environmental Study Report** (ESR) documenting the planning process undertaken including details of the study recommendations as well as potential impacts and mitigation measures, has been completed and is being

made available for a 30-day public review period from **November 3, 2025** to **December 19, 2025**. Subject to comments received following this Notice and the receipt of approvals, the Town intends to proceed with construction of the recommended project as outlined in the ESR. The ESR is available for review on the Town's website at connectwhitby.ca/WaterStreet with a hard copy also available at the Town Hall at 575 Rossland Road East, and Whitby Central Library at 405 Dundas Street West in Whitby during regular business hours. Interested persons may provide written comments to the following members of the Project Team by **December 19, 2025:**

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In addition, a request may be made to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order imposing additional conditions or requiring an individual environmental assessment may be made on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights. Requests should include your full name and contact information.

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (additional conditions or an individual environmental assessment), explain how an order may prevent, mitigate or remedy potential adverse impacts, and any supporting information. The request should be sent in writing by mail or by email to the following with a copy to Mr. Horace Look at the Town:

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Please visit the ministry's website for more information on requests for orders under section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act at: https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-part-ii-order. Please note that information related to this project will be collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments received will become part of the public record and may be included in study documentation prepared for public review.

This notice first issued **October 29, 2025**.