



County Road 93 (Penetanguishene Road)

Highway 12 to Thompsons Road

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study

Notice of Study Completion

Background

The County of Simcoe, in partnership with the Towns of Midland and Penetanguishene, is proposing to upgrade County Road 93 (Penetanguishene Road) from Highway 12 in Midland to Thompsons Road in Penetanguishene. The study area is shown on the reverse of this notice.

The proposed upgrades have been planned within the framework of the Complete Streets concept and in consideration of the natural, socio-economic and heritage environments, the needs of motor vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists, County of Simcoe and Town of Midland/Town of Penetanguishene standards, and surface drainage requirements with the objective of providing safe and efficient travel for all road users.

Study Process

The County proceeded with a Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to consider the impacts associated with the proposed upgrades. The Class EA process addressed:

- existing traffic operations and conditions on County Road 93 and at its key intersections;
- alternative solutions to implementing Active Transportation facilities for pedestrians and cyclists;
- the location, extent and sensitivity of the existing environments within the area;
- the potential impacts of each alternative to the noted environments and mitigating measures;
- public and agency consultation and participation; and
- an assessment and evaluation of the alternatives culminating in the preferred solutions.

Given the various differences and challenges along the corridor, the urban and rural sections were addressed separately, to ensure the most appropriate solution in context of existing conditions. The preferred solutions are indicated on the reverse side of this notice.

Purpose of Notice

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public and stakeholder groups that the Phases 1 & 2 Report will be on display during normal business hours at the locations noted below, for the period **March 9 to April 9, 2018**. The report will also be available for download on the County and Town websites. Interested persons are encouraged to review the report and provide written comments to the County within this review period, directed to Paul Murphy at the County of Simcoe (address below).

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Town of Midland

Town Hall
575 Dominion Avenue
www.midland.ca

Public Library
320 King Street

Town of Penetanguishene

Town Hall
10 Robert Street West
www.penetanguishene.ca

Public Library
24 Simcoe Street

If concerns arise regarding this project, which cannot be resolved in discussion with the County, you may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual environmental assessments. Requests are to be submitted to the Minister, and copied to the County, before the end of the review period. If there is no request received by **April 9, 2018**, the project may proceed based on the identified preferred solutions.

The Honourable Chris Ballard
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Study Area & Preferred Solutions

