

**NOTICE OF PROJECT INITIATION and
INVITATION TO VIRTUAL PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE (PIC No.1)**

The Municipality of Brockton is advancing project specific planning to address the deteriorated condition of Bridge No.2 (Greenock) on Bridge Street in Riversdale, just north of Highway 9, where shown on the Study Area map. The Municipality has identified advanced deterioration of the superstructure and substructure, including severe section loss in the floor beams and significant corrosion of the concrete and steel elements throughout. As a result, the bridge was recently closed to vehicular traffic. The project is being planned under Schedule 'B' of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA), as outlined in the Municipal Class EA Manual prepared by the Municipal Engineers Association (2015). Alternative solutions that were considered for the structure included the following:



1. Do Nothing;
2. Rehabilitate the Existing Bridge;
- 3A Replacement with a Single-Lane Structure;
- 3B Replacement with a Two-Lane Structure;
4. Bridge Removal; and
5. Bridge Retention/Adaption.

Through the work completed to date, the Study Team has identified Bridge Removal as the *Preliminary Recommended Solution*. The Schedule 'B' Project File (Version 1), which includes all background technical reports, is available on the Municipality of Brockton website. Please note that this Notice is being circulated during the COVID-19 State of Emergency issued by the Province. As a result, in-person services are not available at this time. When in-person services are possible, the Project File will be made available at the Municipal Office for viewing purposes.

With the circulation of this Notice and the Project File, public, agency and Indigenous Community comments are invited for incorporation into the planning of this project. Written comments will be received by GM BluePlan Engineering and/or the Municipality until November 23rd, 2020. Contact information is provided below. Once comments are received, the Study Team will re-evaluate the *Recommended Solution* and present the findings in an updated Project File. Subject to the comments received, the verification of the *Preferred Solution* and the receipt of necessary approvals, the Municipality intends to proceed with the implementation of this project in 2021.

Public involvement is a key component of this project planning. The Municipality is hosting an EA Phase 2 Public Information Centre (PIC), which will include a brief presentation of the study process and findings, to receive input from interested parties. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the meeting will be held virtually using Zoom video conferencing. Details of the PIC are as follows:

DATE: NOVEMBER 9th, 2020

TIME: 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

EVENT DETAILS AND LINKS: Will be posted on the Municipality's website by clicking on the link provided within the 'Community Calendar' (<https://calendar.brockton.ca/default/Month>)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OPTIONS:

WATCH: The PIC can be watched on Zoom and will also be livestreamed to the Municipality's YouTube Channel. A full recording of the PIC will subsequently be posted to the Municipality's YouTube Channel.

LISTEN: Dial in to a number provided on the Municipal website to listen to the meeting through Zoom Phone.

PARTICIPATE: If you wish to ask a question during the PIC, you are required to pre-register to be an attendee.

PRE-REGISTRATION by November 5th (11:30 pm) is required to participate.

Registered participants will receive an e-mail with further instructions and a link to join the Zoom meeting on November 6th. Following the presentation, you will be provided with an opportunity to speak to the project during the question and answer period.

You may register to participate (ask a question) in advance using the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/Bridge2-PIC>

COMMENTS: Written comments will be received until November 23rd. Contact information is provided below.

This Notice of *Project Initiation and Invitation to Virtual PIC* is advertised in the Hanover Post and the Walkerton Herald-Times and is also posted on the Municipality's website, where additional information is provided.

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Please note that comments and opinions submitted will become part of the public record and may be viewed by the general public