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INTERPROVINCIAL CROSSINGS  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
ASSESSMENT



ÉVALUATION  
ENVIRONNEMENTALE DES  
LIAISONS INTERPROVINCIALES

## Introduction

The National Capital Commission (NCC) in partnership with the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario (MTO) and the ministère des Transports du Québec (MTQ) have commenced Phase 2B of the Future Interprovincial Crossings Study in the National Capital Region (NCR). This study is being undertaken in collaboration with Ville de Gatineau and the City of Ottawa, and in consultation with other government agencies and the general public.

Phase 1, completed in 2009, documented the need and justification for a new crossing of the Ottawa River and assessed several different solutions and corridors, resulting in a recommendation to carry forward three corridors to Phase 2. In 2010, Phase 2A was completed, in consultation with communities, the public and stakeholders developed a Study Design (methodology for selecting a preferred location) and a Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA) Scoping document that will guide the Environmental Assessment process in Phase 2B. Phase 2B will identify a recommended crossing location, assess the environmental impacts of the corridor, and obtain appropriate approvals.

The Federal EA screening process is being followed by the NCC for this study. The EA Study process is the result of discussion with the Federal and Provincial governments. The EA Study will conform to the requirements of a harmonized process with the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* and the *Loi sur la qualité de l'environnement de Québec (LQE)*. As well, the study will coordinate with the principles and spirit of the requirements of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (OEAA)*.



## Round 1 Consultation – Priorities and Values

Round 1 Consultation is being planned to reach out to citizens within the Region, and specifically within the communities that are impacted most (both directly and indirectly) by a future decision on a crossing. As such, consultation activities are being structured to invite input from three perspectives: the Regional perspective; the 'Affected Community' perspective; and the 'Corridor Community' perspective.

## Planned Public Events

- Community Value Planning Workshops: June 14, 15 and 16;
- World Café (Regional Perspectives): June 11 and 18;
- Do It Yourself Kit (available on web June 13) and
- Public Review of Draft Community Value Plans: July/August

For more information or to register for one of these events, please contact us at: [info.crossings@genivar.com](mailto:info.crossings@genivar.com)

Information is being collected in accordance with all applicable Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Acts. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

## Mailing List

Public consultation is an important and essential part of the study. Consultation sessions will be held at key milestones during the study to seek public input and allow the public to discuss the study with representatives of the Study Team. The Study Team is interested in hearing comments from individuals, groups, and the general public. Persons interested in being placed on the study mailing list should visit the study's web site or contact the Study Team at:



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