



WESTERN ROAD AND SARNIA ROAD/PHILIP AZIZ AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE OF PROJECT COMMENCEMENT

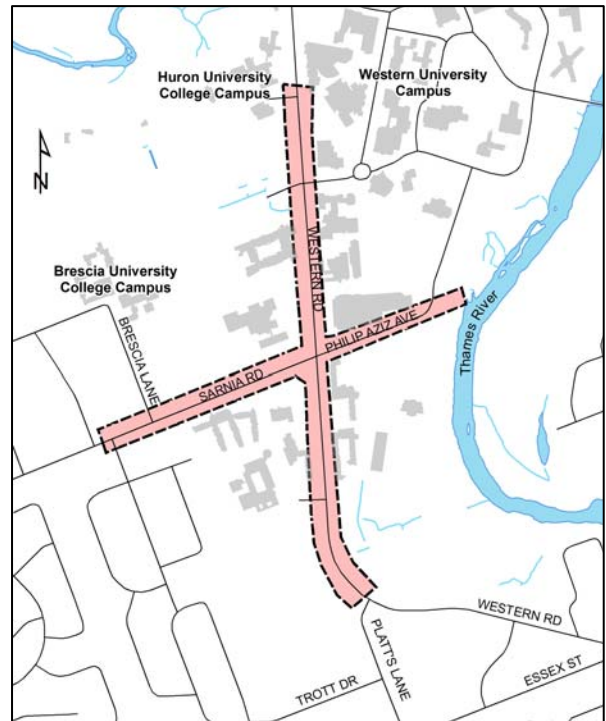
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Background

The City of London is growing and to stay ahead of future development and demands, we are starting a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study that will set the ultimate plan for Western Road (see map).

Western Road between Huron College and Platts Lane is part of a primary transportation corridor that services Western University and other local institutions. Within this corridor, the Western Road and Sarnia Road/Philip Aziz Avenue intersection supports a large volume of vehicle traffic making turning movements, high pedestrian/ cycling traffic and frequent transit services. This type of traffic is expected to increase in the future.

The City of London 2030 Transportation Master Plan suggests the Western Road and Sarnia Road/Philip Aziz Avenue intersection be improved in the next 5 years to accommodate increased traffic, address safety and improve road width constraints along Philip Aziz Avenue.



Planning for the Future

Our Class EA study will be completed in keeping with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act and will follow the Municipal Class EA (Schedule C) process. The project team will examine a full range of alternatives and improvements. Future university expansion plans, environmental impacts, walking and cycling features and effective movement of traffic will be considered.

Your Involvement is Important

You will be consulted throughout this study and asked to help shape the future of our community. A Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held in the spring 2015 to present the problem/opportunity statement and the alternative solutions being considered. A second PIC will be held in the fall/winter 2015 to present the alternative design concepts for the preferred solution. Advanced notification of the PICs will be advertised on the City of London website and in similar newspaper advertisements, in addition to mail. Comments from review agencies and members of the public are encouraged now and throughout the study. To learn more, visit the project website: <http://www.london.ca/residents/Environment/EAs/Pages/default.aspx>. To provide comments, receive additional information or be added to the study mailing list, contact either of the following team members below:

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With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record of the study. The study is being conducted according to the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, which is a planning process approved under Ontario's Environmental Assessment Act.