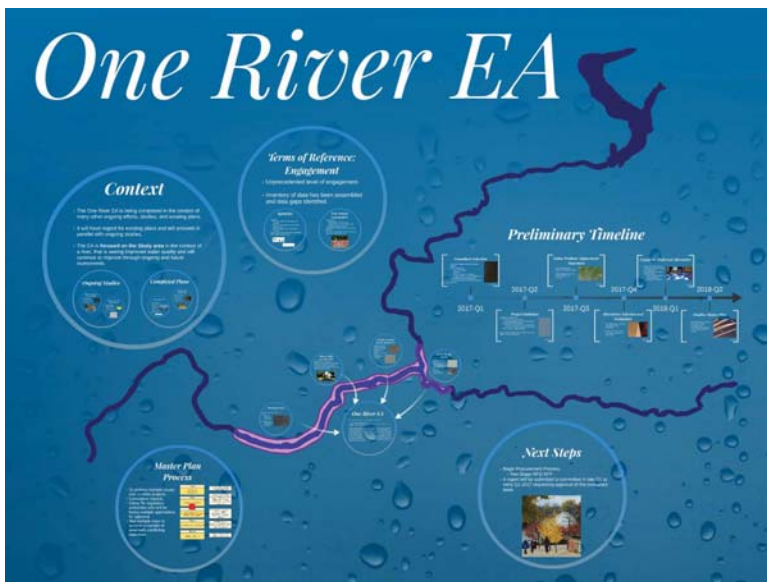


One River EA



Context

- The One River EA is being completed in the context of many other ongoing efforts, studies, and existing plans.
- It will have regard for existing plans and will proceed in parallel with ongoing studies.
- The EA is **focused on the Study area** in the context of a river, that is seeing improved water quality and will continue to improve through ongoing and future investments.

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- Sets out the overall goals for the city.
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The London Plan

- Plan sets out to conserve and protect environmental areas, hazard lands, and natural resources.
- Sets out the overall policy framework for the river.
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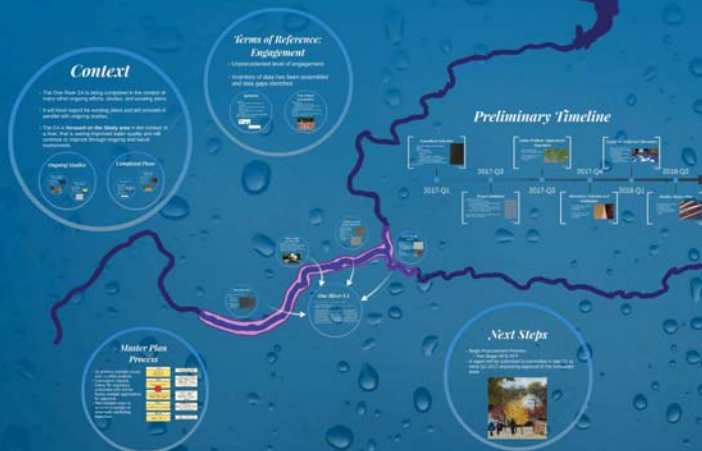


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One River EA



Terms of Reference: Engagement

- Unprecedented level of engagement.
- Inventory of data has been assembled and data gaps identified.

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- Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
- Ministry of Environment and Climate Change
- Upper Thames River Conservation Authority



First Nations Communities

- Chippewas of the Thames
- Oneida Nation of the Thames
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- Included:
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- Engaging early and often will help facilitate future regulatory approvals.



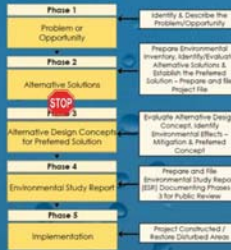
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- Interest from:
 - Chippewas of the Thames,
 - Oneida Nation of the Thames, and
 - Munsee Delaware Nation
- Identified the health of the river as a key priority.
- The river connects with the key aspects of their culture and way of life.



Master Plan Process

- To address multiple issues over multiple projects.
- Cumulative impacts.
- Clarity for regulatory authorities who will be facing multiple applications for approval.
- Test multiple ways to achieve a number of potentially conflicting objectives.



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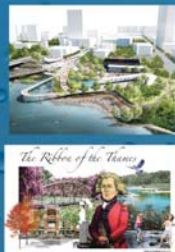
Thames Valley Corridor Plan

- Approved by Council in 2012.
- Provides recommendations for future works; however, does not provide full project details which is needed for agency approvals.
- One River EA will turn the plan into actions by suggesting specific projects.



BACK TO THE RIVER

- Engage and consider alternatives, in line with previous Council recommendation.
- Design opportunities and criteria.
- Impacts to consider for mitigation.
- Prelim design of winning concepts.



Springbank Dam

EA will consider all options for the Dam.

- Remove,
- Repair, and
- Re-purpose.

Implications on:

- Other objectives
- Environment
- Recreation



OTHER THAMES RIVER PROJECTS

- Restoration Projects (Related to Thames Valley Corridor Plan)
- Flood protection projects.
- Infrastructure renewal projects.
- Coordination and integration.



One River EA

The river that flows through London's downtown has many names:

- The Thames (John Graves Simcoe),
- Deshkan Zibang (known to the Anishnaabeg and Lenape of the Great Lakes), and
- Kahwy'hatai (ONYOTA'A'KA, Oneida).

This river is both our inheritance and our living legacy. It is our collective responsibility to maintain and enhance this shared natural, cultural, recreational and aesthetic resource. The One River Master Plan Environmental Assessment will consider the area historically influenced by the Springbank Dam and will provide a plan that coordinates critical infrastructure projects in ways that preserve for future generations this valuable resource and allow people of all abilities to enjoy and access this designated Canadian Heritage River. This study, in the context of many other ongoing initiatives to improve the health of the Thames River, will endeavor to align important projects in a way that enhances the overall health of the river, maintains the vision of Back to the River's "The Ribbon of the Thames" concept plan, and identifies potential impacts to downstream communities and where possible avoid them.



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Q2-2017

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Q3-2017

2017-Q4

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Q1-2018

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Q2-2018

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Next Steps

- Begin Procurement Process.
- Two Stage RFQ RFP
- A report will be submitted to committee in late Q1 to early Q2 2017 requesting approval of the consultant team

