



NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

County of Wellington

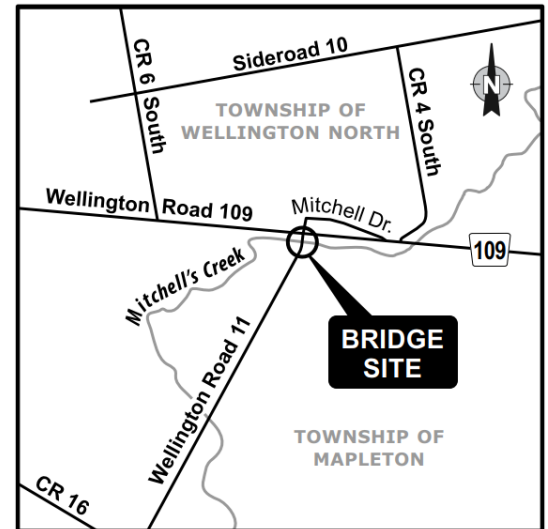
Wellington Road 11, Flax Bridge No. B011025

Township of Mapleton

Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

The Study

The Flax Bridge (No. B011025) consists of a single span steel pony truss structure with a concrete deck over the Conestogo River. The bridge has a span and deck width of 21.4 m and 7.3 m respectively and was constructed circa 1954. The bridge is located on Wellington Road 11, 0.01 km south of the Wellington Road 109 intersection, at the border of Mapleton and Wellington North. The study area extends approximately 1 km on either side of the bridge. As part of a bridge inspection conducted in 2019, major elements of the Flax Bridge, No. B011025, were found to be in an advanced state of deterioration and are approaching the end of their useful service life. WSP has been retained by the County of Wellington to complete a Municipal Class EA Study to address these items.



The Process

The study is being conducted in accordance with Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process (2000, as amended in 2015). The study will confirm and document the existing structural deficiencies and identify alternative solutions, including rehabilitation or replacement of the bridge, and evaluate associated environmental impacts.

Comment Invited

A key component of the study will be consultation with interested stakeholders including public, agencies and Indigenous communities. We want to ensure that anyone with an interest in this study has the opportunity to provide input and feedback. Project updates will be posted on the Wellington County website www.wellington.ca and you are invited to provide input to the Project Team. Upon completion of the study, the planning process and recommendations will be documented in a Project File and made available for public review.

If you have any questions or concerns at any time during the study, or wish to be placed on the study mailing list to receive study notices directly, please contact either of the project team members below:

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Covid-19

The County is keeping the community safe by complying with provincial guidelines, supporting physical distancing, and postponing in-person public meetings. Consultation and opportunities for public input will focus on web-based information packages with accommodations for alternative formats, as requested.

Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will become part of the public record.



Alternate Formats Available Upon Request

This notice first issued on July 29, 2021.