



NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

County of Wellington

Wellington Road 32, Blatchford Bridge No. B032085

Township of Guelph/Eramosa and Township of Puslinch, Ontario

Schedule B Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

The Study

The Blatchford Bridge (No. B032085) consists of a single span steel through truss structure with a concrete deck over the Speed River. The bridge has a span and deck width of 31.7 m and 8.4 m respectively and was constructed circa 1949. The bridge is located on Wellington Road 32, approximately 600 m south of Wellington Road 124, bordering the Township of Guelph/Eramosa and Township of Puslinch. The study area extends approximately 0.5 km on either side of the bridge. As part of a bridge inspection conducted in 2023, the Blatchford Bridge, No. B032085 was found to be in poor condition with major elements showing signs of significant deterioration. Gannett Fleming has been retained by the County of Wellington to complete a Study to address these items.

The Process

In accordance with the requirements for Schedule B projects of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (as amended in 2015 & 2023). 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/blatchfordEA 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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