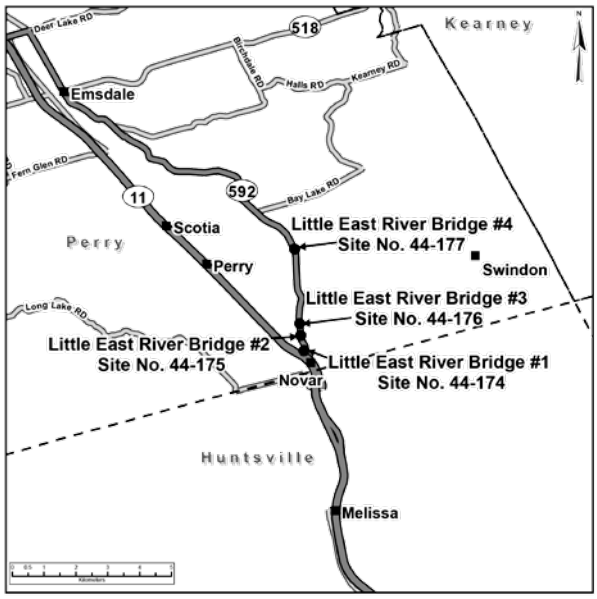
NOTICE OF TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT ADDENDUM

Replacement of Four Little East River Bridges on Highway 592
Novar to Emsdale, Township of Perry
G.W.P. 5265-07-00

THE STUDY

In accordance with the Ontario Ministry of Transportation's *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000) (Class EA), a Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) was prepared for the replacement of four Little East River bridges on Highway 592, within the Township of Perry, between the communities of Novar and Emsdale. A map depicting the location of the bridges is presented. This report was filed for the public record on December 20, 2013, by **Morrison Hershfield Ltd.** on behalf of the **Ministry of Transportation (MTO)**. The TESR documented environmentally significant aspects of the planning, design and construction of this project. The TESR also presented a design which reflected MTO's desire to retain an existing natural spring at the southernmost bridge (identified on the included map as Little East River Bridge #1). As a result of further investigations completed during the summer of 2014, MTO have determined that this feature cannot be retained after construction of the replacement bridge is complete. The TESR Addendum documents this change as well as the rationale, which led to this decision.



Location of the Highway 592 Little East River Bridges, Township of Perry

THE PROCESS

This project is following the planning process for a Group 'B' undertaking in accordance with the Class EA (2000), with the opportunity for public input throughout. The TESR Addendum will be available on **March 27, 2015**, for a 30-day public review period. Interested persons are encouraged to review this document and provide comments by **April 27, 2015**. If after consulting with the Study Team you have serious unresolved concerns regarding the TESR Addendum, members of the public have the right to request that the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (in writing to **77 Wellesley Street West, Ferguson Block, 11th Floor, Toronto, ON M7A 2T5**) issue a Part II Order (i.e. a 'bump-up' request). A Part II Order may lead to the preparation of an individual environmental assessment, however only project details described in the TESR Addendum are eligible for Part II Order consideration. A copy of the Order request should also be provided to MTO and Morrison Hershfield at the addresses noted below. If there are no outstanding concerns related to the TESR Addendum after **April 27, 2015**, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA.

The TESR Addendum may be viewed at the following locations or electronically upon request:

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change
North Bay Area Office
191 Booth Road
Units 16 and 17
North Bay, ON P1A 4K3
tel: 705-497-6865

Ministry of Transportation
Northeastern Regional Office
1st Floor Security Desk
447 McKeown Avenue
North Bay, ON P1B 9S9
tel: 705-497-5262

Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change
Barrie District Office
54 Cedar Pointe Drive
Unit 1203
Barrie, ON L4N 5R7
tel: 705-739-6441

Township of Perry
Municipal Office
1695 Emsdale Road
Emsdale, ON P0A 1J0
tel: 705-636-5941

Perry Township Public Library
29 Joseph Street
Emsdale, ON P0A 1J0
tel: 705-636-5454

COMMENTS

We are interested in hearing any comments or concerns you may have with this project. Information is being collected to assist the Study Team in meeting the requirements of the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. This material will be maintained on file for use during the study and may be included in study documentation. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

Please send any comments or requests to the following:

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