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January 3, 2017

Mr. Terry Reese
Executive Director
Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association
#201, 159 King Street
Peterborough, Ontario
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Dear Mr. Reese:

**Re: Preliminary Design Study and Class Environmental Assessment
Highway 28/Peterborough County Road 4 Intersection Improvements
G.W.P. 4042-12-00
Notice of Study Completion/TESR Submission**

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) retained HDR Corporation (HDR) to conduct a Preliminary Design Study and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for improvements to the intersection of Highway 28/Peterborough County Road 4 in the Township of Douro-Dummer, County of Peterborough. A key plan of the study area is presented in the attached 'Notice of Study Completion/TESR Submission'.

The recommended preliminary design for the intersection includes the following components:

- new traffic signals at the intersection of Highway 28 and Peterborough County Road 4;
- provision of a dedicated southbound right turn lane;
- addition of eastbound and westbound left turn lanes;
- improvements to the existing northbound and southbound left turn lanes;
- minor widening of Highway 28 between Peterborough County Road 4 and Peterborough County Road 8 to enhance existing left turn lanes;
- drainage improvements including general grading of ditches, removal and replacement of four entrance culverts, extension of two transverse crossing culverts and replacement of one roadside culvert outlet; and,
- utility relocation.

This preliminary design study followed the approved planning process for Group "B" projects under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (MTO 2000), with the opportunity for public input throughout. Following contact with external agencies/stakeholders, Aboriginal communities, property owners and the public, and review within the Ministry, it has been determined that this project will not result in any significant adverse environmental effects.

A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) has been prepared to document the results of preliminary design. The TESR will be available on **January 5, 2017** for a 30-day public review period at the three locations listed in the attached 'Notice of Study Completion/TESR Submission'. The review period will end on **February 6, 2017**. Interested persons are encouraged to review this document and provide comments by this date.

If, after consulting with the Ministry's staff and consultants, you have serious unresolved concerns, you have the right to request the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (in writing to: Ferguson Block, 11th Floor, 77 Wellesley Street West, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 2T5) to issue a Part II Order ("bump-up") for this study. A Part II Order may lead to the preparation of an individual environmental assessment. A copy of the Part II Order request that is sent directly to the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change should also be forwarded to the study team representatives at the addresses listed in the attached 'Notice of Study Completion/TESR Submission'. If there are no outstanding concerns at the end of the 30-day review period, the study will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA, and detail design may start without further notice.

Letters are being sent to other external agencies and concerned citizens on the contact list to advise them of the foregoing. In addition, the 'Notice of Study Completion/TESR Submission' will be published in the *Peterborough Examiner* and *Peterborough This Week* on **January 5, 2017** to advise the public.

If you have any questions or concerns, you are encouraged to contact the undersigned. Information is being collected in accordance with the *Freedom on Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

Thank you for your involvement with this study.

Sincerely,

HDR Corporation



Joseph Arcaro, P. Eng.
Vice President

c.c. David Lindensmith, MTO Project Manager
Sharon Westendorp, MTO Environmental Planner
Sowel Kang, Environmental Planner, LGL Limited

Attach.
Ontario Government Notice (OGN)

NOTICE OF STUDY COMPLETION/TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT SUBMISSION

Preliminary Design Study and Class Environmental Assessment Highway 28/Peterborough County Road 4 Intersection Improvements Township of Douro-Dummer, County of Peterborough / G.W.P. 4042-12-00

THE STUDY

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THE PROCESS

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Copies of the TESR are available for review at the following locations:

Ministry of Transportation

Eastern Region
1355 John Counter Boulevard, Kingston, ON K7L 5A3
Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Township of Douro-Dummer Municipal Office

894 South Street, P.O. Box 92, Warsaw, ON K0L 3A0
Monday to Thursday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

COMMENTS

We are interested in any comments you may have about the study. Comments must be received no later than **February 6, 2017**. Comments and information regarding this study are being collected to assist the study team in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

Please send any comments or requests to either of the following:

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