# The GTA West Study

Stage 2 of the Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the GTA West Transportation Corridor was initiated in February 2014. Building on the recommendations from Stage 1, the EA Study continues with a focus on identifying the route and developing the preliminary design for a new transportation corridor within the Route Planning Study Area.

## Overview of Stage 1 and 2

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Stage 1 was completed in November 2012. It recommended:

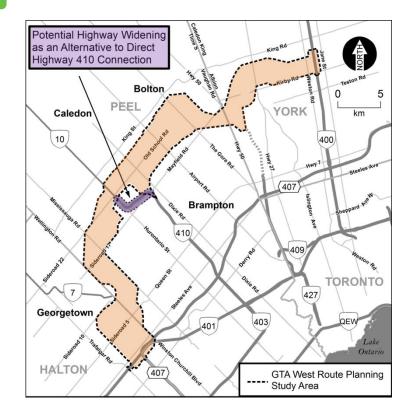
- Optimizing the existing transportation network;
- Improving non-roadway transportation modes such as transit and rail;
- Widening existing highways ; and
- A new transportation corridor.

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Even with optimizing the existing transportation network, widening existing highways, and transit expansion projects identified in Metrolinx' Regional Transportation Plan, additional road capacity was determined to be needed.

Stage 2 focuses on the recommendation for a new transportation corridor:

- Extending from Highway 400 in the east to the Highway 401/407 ETR interchange area in the west; and
- Including a 400-series highway, transitway, and potential goods movement priority features



## **The New Corridor**

The new corridor is anticipated to be a 4- to 6-lane highway with freeway-to-freeway connections at Highway 401/407ETR, Highway 410, Highway 427, and Highway 400. A separate adjacent transitway is also included. Transitway stations will be located at interchanges and connection points.

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## **Confirmed Limits of the Focused Analysis Area**

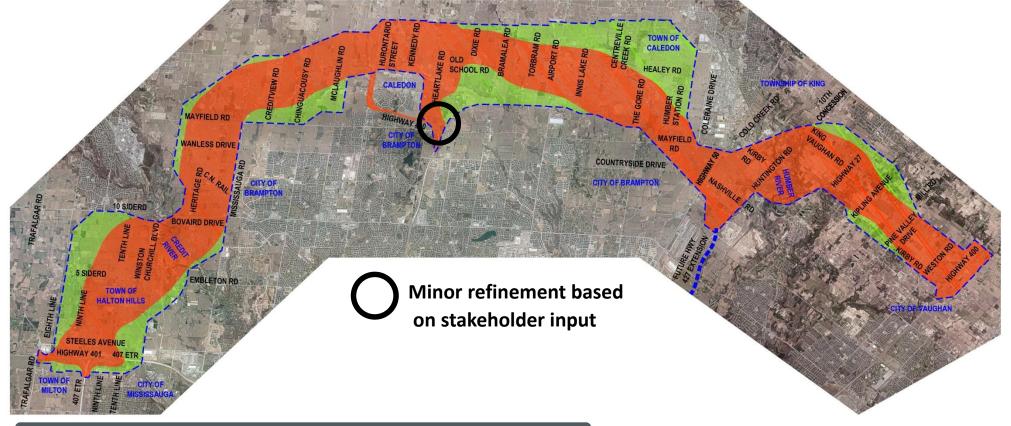
The GTA West Project Team developed the Focused Analysis Area to inform stakeholders about what properties are still within an area of interest for the GTA West transportation corridor.

#### **Orange Area**

The Focused Analysis Area (FAA) is a zone surrounding the short list of route alternatives. Properties located within the FAA could be directly impacted by the GTA West transportation corridor, ancillary uses, or if refinements are made to the route alternatives.

#### **Green Areas**

MTO has a reduced interest in properties located in the green areas. Applications can proceed through municipal development processes. MTO will continue to review all development applications in the study area, but it is anticipated that applications in the green areas will not be impacted by the GTA West transportation corridor.



### Post Public Information Centre (PIC) #1 Refinement

After reviewing and considering all stakeholder input since PIC #1, the GTA West Project Team made one refinement to the FAA in the Mayfield Road and Highway 410 area. One property in the late stages of a development application was partially within the FAA. The project team agreed to remove this property from the FAA because it would not hinder the development of alternatives in this area. The project team will further reduce the FAA when the preferred route and interchange locations are identified at PIC #2 in late 2015, and again when the preliminary design is presented at PIC #3 in early 2017.

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