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Early work activity begins

Early works and limited site preparation activity for the bridge this year will start in October 2018. Early work activity is required in preparation for the start of project construction scheduled to begin in summer 2019.

Minimal disruption to local residents and businesses is anticipated during this early work activity. Crew and equipment will be onsite in stages so residents and businesses can anticipate observing various activities throughout the rest of 2018. All work is conducted in accordance with City regulations and the regulatory requirements as part of the Parks Canada Detailed Impact Assessment (DIA).

Join a near-neighbor meeting to learn more about early work activities on the east and west shores of the Cataraqui River

If you are a near-neighbour on the east or west sides of the Cataraqui River come to a drop-in meeting to hear about early work activities starting this fall 2018.

West side: October 23: North Kingston Community Health Centre, front lobby, 263 Weller Ave, any time from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

East side: Oct 24, 2018: Gore Road Fire Hall, 211 Gore Rd, any time from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

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Early work Activity Locations

East Side - Early work site activity will occur in the east side area of the bridge alignment on Gore Road west of Highway 15 to the Cataraqui River, including topographic survey, tree survey, utility work and wildlife surveys.

West Side – Early work site activity will occur in the west side area of the bridge alignment on John Counter Boulevard east of Montreal Street to the Cataraqui River, including archaeological field investigations, topographic survey, tree survey, utility work and wildlife surveys.

Cataraqui River – Early work site investigations continue in the Cataraqui River area between the east and west side shores at Gore Road and John Counter Boulevard, including bathymetric survey, geotechnical investigations and geo-environmental engineering studies.

Types of Early Work Activity from October 2018 until December 31, 2018

Archaeological field investigations: Studies will be undertaken as part of the requirement to investigate any potential archaeological items in the area.

Bathymetric Survey: As part of analyzing possible construction methods, a bathymetric survey is needed to measure the water depth of the project corridor. This work includes a boat in the water with crew taking water depth measurements.

Geo-environmental engineering: Studies will be carried out in the area including collecting samples from in the water boreholes for chemical analysis to help determine soil characteristics.

Geotechnical Investigations: this includes crews obtaining soil and rock information of the site area in order to design foundations for the bridge structures. Holes will be bored into the bedrock at proposed pier locations to complement existing geo-technical information.

Topographic survey: A survey gathering data about the elevation of points on land will assist designers in determining grades, stormwater, pathway connections, and utility aspects of the project.

Tree survey: Qualified tree surveyors will be gathering info in the project area such as species, health, age and any physical measurements. This information will help in the development of the tree restoration plan.