

Notice of Completion of Environmental Project Report

Etobicoke-Finch West Light Rail Transit, City of Toronto and Toronto Transit Commission

The Project

The City of Toronto and the Toronto Transit Commission have completed an Environmental Project Report in accordance with Ontario Regulation 231/08 for the Etobicoke-Finch West Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project.

This 17-kilometre long LRT service will link Finch Station and Humber College. The light rail line will run west from Finch Station along Finch Avenue West to Highway 27 where it will turn south to Humber College Boulevard, and make a connection with Humber College. The light rail service will replace a busy existing bus route, and provide fast and frequent east-west service through the northern part of North York and Etobicoke. In addition to Finch Station on the Yonge Subway, the line will connect with Finch West Station on the Spadina Subway extension, and with the proposed Jane light rail line. The entire line is proposed to be above ground, utilizing reserved transit lanes in the centre of Finch Avenue, with the exception of the connections to the two subway stations, which will have short grade separated sections for the convenience of transferring passengers.



The Process

The environmental impact of this transit project was assessed and an Environmental Project Report prepared according to the transit project assessment process prescribed in Ontario Regulation 231/08, Transit Projects and Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Undertakings.

The Environmental Project Report for the Etobicoke-Finch West LRT will be available for a 30-day review period starting March 24, 2010 on the project website: www.toronto.ca/transitcity (Etobicoke-Finch LRT) and at the following locations:

Locations for 30-day Review Period

**Ministry of the Environment
Environmental Assessment & Approvals Branch**
2 St. Clair Avenue West, Floor 12A,
Toronto, ON M4V 1L5
416-314-8001/1-800-461-6290

**Ministry of the Environment
Central Region Office**, 5775 Yonge Street, 8th Floor
North York, ON M2M 4J1
416-326-6700

**City of Toronto
City Clerks Office Toronto City Hall**
100 Queen Street West, 10th Floor West Tower
Toronto, ON M5H 2N2
416-392-8032

**Toronto Transit Commission
Transit City Department**
5160 Yonge Street, 13th Floor
Toronto, ON M2N 6L9
416-397-8515

**Toronto Public Library,
Humberwood Branch**
850 Humberwood Blvd.
Toronto, ON M9W 7A6
416-394-5210

**Toronto Public Library
Albion Branch**
1515 Albion Rd.
Toronto, ON M9V 1B2
416-394-5170

**Toronto Public Library
Humber Summit Branch**
2990 Islington Avenue
Toronto, ON M9L 2K6
416-395-5840

**Toronto Public Library,
York Woods Branch**
1785 Finch Ave. West
Toronto, ON M3N 1M6
416-395-5980

**Toronto Public Library,
Centennial Branch**
578 Finch Ave. West
Toronto, ON M2R 1N7
416-395-5490

**Toronto Public Library,
North York Central Library**
5120 Yonge St.
Toronto, ON M2N 5N9
416-395-5535

There are circumstances where the Minister of the Environment has the authority to require further consideration of the transit project, or impose conditions on it. These include if the Minister is of the opinion that:

- The transit project may have a negative impact on a matter of provincial importance that relates to the natural environment or has cultural heritage value or interest; or,
- The transit project may have a negative impact on a constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty right.

Before exercising the authority referred to above, the Minister is required to consider any written objections to the transit project that he or she may receive within 30 days after the Notice of Completion of the Environmental Project Report is first published.

Interested persons are encouraged to review this document and provide comments by April 22, 2010. Comments and concerns may be directed to the project contacts listed below. If you have unresolved concerns, you have the right to submit an objection to this transit project to the Minister of the Environment no later than April 22, 2010 (77 Wellesley St. West, 11th Floor, Ferguson Block, Toronto, ON M7A 2T5, Fax: 416-314-6748, E-mail: Minister.moe@ontario.ca Attention: Minister of the Environment). Although not required, a copy of the objection is requested to be forwarded to the Director and project contacts listed below.

Director
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Under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this matter and will be released, if requested, to any person.