

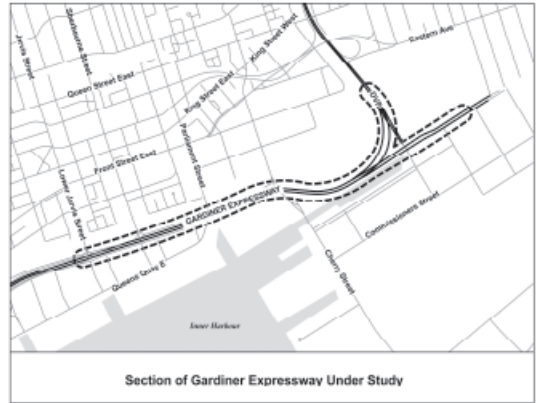
# Appendix A

## Notice of Commencement

# Notice of Commencement of Terms of Reference

Gardiner Expressway and Lake Shore Blvd. Reconfiguration, Environmental Assessment and Integrated Urban Design Study, Waterfront Toronto and City of Toronto

Waterfront Toronto and the City of Toronto (City) are jointly initiating an environmental assessment (EA) and integrated urban design study to explore the feasibility of removing the elevated Gardiner Expressway from approximately Jarvis Street to Logan Avenue. It is the shared goal of Waterfront Toronto and the City to realize the full potential of Toronto's waterfront as a world-class location in which to live, work and play. This study will examine how a potential reconfiguration of the Gardiner Expressway and Lake Shore Boulevard in this area can contribute to the achievement of that goal. The study is being initiated under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (EA Act)*.



## The Process

This study will be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the *EA Act*. The first step in the process is the preparation of a Terms of Reference (ToR). The ToR will set out the proponent's framework and work plan for addressing the *EA Act* requirements when preparing the EA; including such things as the alternatives and urban design criteria that will be considered and the public consultation activities that will be carried out. If approved by the Minister of the Environment, the ToR will provide the framework and requirements for the preparation of the EA.

## Consultation

The involvement of the public, agencies and other interested persons in determining what the ToR should include is a fundamental objective of this study. Waterfront Toronto and the City encourage all members of the public, agencies and other interested persons to actively participate in the planning process by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with comments or questions. Waterfront Toronto and the City are committed to including the public in this study through consultation opportunities designed to occur throughout the planning process. Communication of these consultation opportunities will be done through newspapers, direct mail, and a website. The consultation process and the study's progress will be kept up to date on the website hosted by Waterfront Toronto. Public events will be held in various locations throughout the city. The first round of public meetings will take place on March 28, March 30, April 2 and April 4. The second round of public meetings will be scheduled for late April. Notices will be placed in the local media to advertise these events.

For more information please visit [www.waterfronttoronto.ca](http://www.waterfronttoronto.ca).

## Public Forum #1

Saturday, March 28, 2009  
Trident Banquet Hall and Conference Centre  
145 Evans Avenue, Etobicoke  
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Open House)  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Presentation)

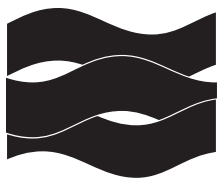
Monday, March 30, 2009  
Scarborough Civic Centre - Rotunda  
150 Borough Drive, Scarborough  
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Open House)  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Presentation)

Thursday, April 2, 2009  
Harbourfront Community Centre – Gymnasium  
627 Queens Quay West, Toronto  
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Open House)  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Presentation)

Saturday, April 4, 2009  
North York Memorial Hall - Burgundy Room  
5110 Yonge Street, North York  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Open House)  
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Presentation)

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