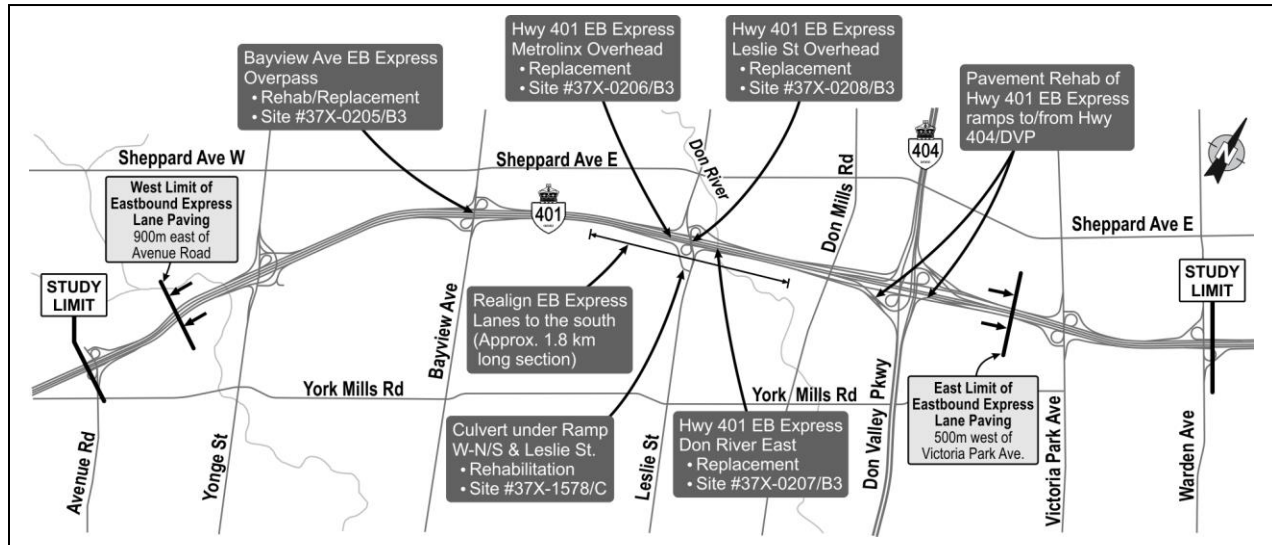


# NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

## HIGHWAY 401 EASTBOUND EXPRESS REHABILITATION AVENUE RD. TO WARDEN AVE. DETAIL DESIGN STUDY AND CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY (G.W.P. 2452-13-00)

### THE STUDY

The **Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO)** has retained **WSP Canada Inc. (WSP)** to undertake the Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) Study for various improvements to the Highway 401 Eastbound (EB) Express Lanes from Avenue Rd. to Warden Ave. in the City of Toronto (“the Project”). The study area is shown on the key plan.



A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) for the Preliminary Design of the Highway 401 from Leslie St to Warden Ave was completed in 2012. This Project is intended to address the EB Express Lanes improvements from Avenue Road to Warden Ave, which are focused on the replacement, rehabilitation and maintenance of existing transportation assets within the Study Area, including bridges, culverts and pavements. This Project will be delivered through a series of construction contracts in the coming years.

### THE PROCESS

This study will follow the approved environmental planning process for Group ‘C’ projects under the MTO *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (amended 2000). Group ‘C’ projects are considered approved, subject to compliance with the Class EA and the application of mitigation measures where necessary. Upon completion of the study, an Environmental Screening Document (ESD) will be prepared to document the project, its potential impacts and proposed mitigation measures.

### HOW TO PARTICIPATE

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have regarding this study. If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments, please visit the project website (<https://www.hwy401avenue-to-warden-ebexpress.com>) or contact one of the Project Team members listed below:

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If you have accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project, please contact the Project Team. Comments are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the *Ontario 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.

Des renseignements sont disponibles en français en composant (905) 829-6262 (Jad Murtada).