Detroit River
INTERNATIONAL CROSSING
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# Public Information Open House Meetings

The community has an important role to play in the environmental assessment for the Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) Study. Through our ongoing consultation you are sharing your ideas and we're listening. Now you have another opportunity to both find out all the latest information on this important study and be heard by study team members.

**Get Involved** The DRIC study team has listened to community concerns about the need to improve quality of life through better air quality, less noise, and getting trucks off local streets. A new Parkway

alternative has been developed for the access road, reflecting the study goals and the community input received to date. Described as a green transportation corridor, the access road for international traffic would be below-grade with a number of short tunnels.

We encourage the community to find out more about the Parkway. Get involved to help us make this refined option even better.

## Other features of the Parkway include:

- People-friendly spaces including wider bridges to allow communities on both sides of the corridor to connect
- New trails for pedestrians and cyclists
- Linkages for wildlife
- Landscaped buffer zones
- \* Entrance points for local traffic
- Reduced impact of international traffic on neighbourhoods
- Opportunities to create a signature gateway and warm welcome into Windsor, Ontario and Canada

## Public Information Open Houses to be Held

August 14th 2007 2:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Holiday Inn Select, Ballroom 1855 Huron Church Rd.

Windsor

August 15th 2007 2:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Ciociaro Club, Salons A & B 3745 North Talbot Rd, Tecumseh









**Background** The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO), in coordination with Transport Canada, is leading the Environmental Assessment study in Canada and has retained URS Canada Inc. to assist in this undertaking.

The Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) study is a bi-national planning study that will lead to the identification of a single technically and environmentally preferred alternative for the access road, inspection plaza and river crossing. The DRIC study is being conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (OEAA) and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA) in Canada and coordinated with the U.S. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in the United States.









Information collected at these Open Houses and Workshops will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Access to Information Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments become part of the public record.

Visit the Open Houses At the fifth round of Public Information Open Houses the enhanced below-grade alternative will be presented along with the analysis of the previously identified alternatives, and information on the evaluation process to be undertaken in selecting a technically and environmentally preferred alternative for the crossing, plaza and access road. Your ideas and comments will help the study team evaluate all of the alternatives and develop the single preferred alternative.

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## Is Your Property Impacted? We want to hear from you.

In response to feedback from the community, property purchase requests from land owners currently having direct access to existing Highway 3 (Talbot Road) or Huron Church Road between Highway 401 and E.C. Row Expressway will be considered. Other residential and commercial properties may also qualify. This will help to reduce uncertainty for those whose properties may be affected. Please contact us for further information.

Workshops The study team is also organizing two public workshops to provide additional opportunities for you to consider the results of the analysis to date and provide comments on all of the alternatives.

August 22nd 2007

6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. South Windsor Arena, Auditorium 2555 Pulford Street, Windsor

August 23rd 2007

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To pre-register for a workshop: call 519-969-9696 or

e-mail info@partnershipborderstudy.com

Study information will be on display at the Arena Auditorium beginning at 3:00 P.M. on the day of the workshop.

For more information visit us at www.partnershipborderstudy.com

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