

# COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS PROVIDE YOUR INPUT ON THE LOOK OF THE WINDSOR-ESSEX PARKWAY AND NEW PLAZA AND CROSSING

**Wednesday July 23, 2008  
Plaza and Crossing**

**Detroit River**  
INTERNATIONAL CROSSING  
S T U D Y

**Thursday July 24, 2008  
Windsor-Essex Parkway**

The Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) study team has identified the technically and environmentally preferred alternative (TEPA) for a new border transportation system linking Highway 401 in Ontario to Interstate 75 in Michigan. The Windsor-Essex Parkway has been identified as the preferred access road, Plaza B1 in the Brighton Beach area has been identified as the preferred plaza location, and Crossing B (south of Prospect Ave.) as the preferred crossing location.

The DRIC study team is providing you with additional opportunities to share your ideas and suggest landscape features for the Windsor-Essex Parkway, plaza and bridge, through Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) workshops. These workshops are part of the DRIC study team's ongoing community consultation about the preferred alternative.

The CSS work presented at the upcoming workshops builds upon concepts suggested by the public at previous events. **The focus of the Wednesday July 23 workshop will be on the preferred plaza and crossing location.** Sample design elements to be discussed include:

- landscaping concepts
- bridge crossing lighting treatment options
- bridge crossing type design options

**The focus of the Thursday July 24 workshop will be on design elements of the Windsor-Essex Parkway (access road).** Sample design elements to be discussed

- include:
- landscaping concepts
  - recreational features
  - retaining wall and noise barrier treatments

This is your opportunity to discuss appropriate treatment options for green spaces, tunnel roof decks and pathways. Landscape architects and a bridge architect will be available to provide design guidance and advice during the workshop sessions.

The workshops are being held as follows:

**Wednesday July 23 Plaza & Crossing Workshop - 6:30 p.m.**

**Thursday July 24 Access Road Workshop - 6:30 p.m.**

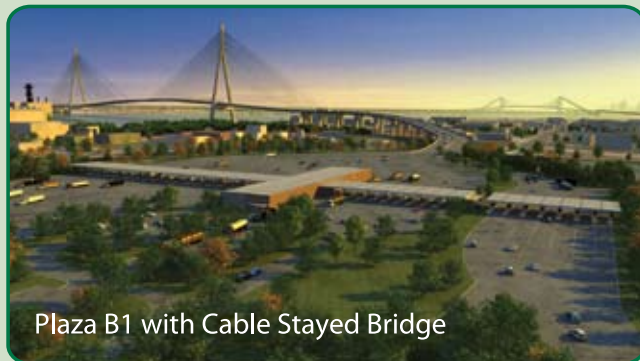
St. Clair College Campus Main Building, Room 322  
2000 Talbot Road West, Windsor



Oakwood Tunnel area



Looking north at Bethlehem/Labelle Rooftop



Plaza B1 with Cable Stayed Bridge



Plaza B1 with Suspension Bridge

**Registration is requested**

To register, call 519.969.9696 or email [info@partnershipborderstudy.com](mailto:info@partnershipborderstudy.com)

Please specify if you would like to register for the plaza and crossing workshop on Wednesday July 23, or the access road workshop on Thursday July 24, or both.

**Background** The Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) Study is a bi-national planning study 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. 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.



Information collected at these workshop sessions 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.

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