

McNaughton Road West Environmental Assessment Study

Major Mackenzie Drive to Falvo Street

Public Information Centre (PIC)#1 Summary Report

City of Vaughan

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Introduction

The City of Vaughan is undertaking a Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study to review the current and future transportation needs along McNaughton Road West between Major Mackenzie Drive and Falvo Street. The study assesses multi-modal transportation conditions along McNaughton Road West and identifies improvements to address the transportation needs for the 2051 planning horizon. The study is being conducted in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule 'C' projects as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) guidelines (October 2000, 2007, 2011, 2015, and 2023 as amended).

As part of the public consultation process for the McNaughton Road West EA Study, an online Public Information Centre (PIC) was available to the public from June 27 to July 28, 2023. The PIC featured two activities that allowed the public to provide their input, including an online survey which was accessible from the study website any time throughout the PIC period, as well as a live virtual meeting which was held on the evening of June 27, 2023.

See **Appendix A** for the online PIC contents.

Methods of Communication

The methods of communication used to inform the public of the McNaughton Road West EA Study PIC are as follows:

- Direct mail of PIC notification was sent on June 13, 2023 to 1,002 members of the public, including property owners and residents along the study corridor
- Direct mail and email of PIC notification to 12 agency representatives was sent on June 13, 2023
- Email of PIC notification to 20 stakeholder members was sent on June 13, 2023, which are members of the public that expressed interest in the study and requested to be included in the stakeholders list
- Email of PIC notification to 7 indigenous groups was sent on June 13, 2023
- Updates to the study website, including link to the online survey, the link for joining the virtual live meeting at www.vaughan.ca/mcnaughton, the PIC notification, the recording of the Live Meeting and the presentation slides
- PIC notifications posted on the Maple Community Centre bulletin board and on the Community Centre TVs
- Public Service Announcement on June 13, 2023
- Memo sent to City of Vaughan Mayor and Councilors on June 13, 2023
- Mobile signs displayed at Keele Street and Major Mackenzie Drive and at Keele Street and McNaughton Road
- Social media updates
- Newspaper postings in the Vaughan Citizen on June 15, and June 22, 2023





• Email of PIC notification to City of Vaughan Mayor and Councillors on July 21, 2023

See **Appendix B** for all communication materials circulated to various agencies and the public.

Summary of Feedback Received

Interested members of the public, stakeholders, and agencies were encouraged to provide feedback throughout the PIC period by attending the virtual live meeting, through completing the online survey available on the study website, or through contacting the project team via phone or email. The feedback received is summarized in the following sections.

Live Virtual Meeting

The live virtual meeting took place on the evening of June 27, 2023 starting at 7:00pm and ending by 8:30pm over Webex Events. The live virtual meeting had twenty-one (21) registrants and ten (10) attendees excluding project staff. A presentation was given by the project team that identified the existing conditions along the study corridor, the alternative solutions explored, and the preferred solutions that emerged through the evaluation process. At the conclusion of the presentation, the project team held a question and answer period.

Feedback received during the live virtual meeting shows general support for the proposed solution of urbanizing McNaughton Road West to maintain a two-lane cross section with additional active transportation facilities and localized intersection improvements. Other feedback received include:

- Desire for traffic calming measures to reduce speeding in the study corridor.
- Desire for Active Transportation facilities.
- Desire to reduce truck traffic in the study corridor.
- Desire for a connection to the Bartley Smith Greenway Trail.
- Identified concerns about noise.
- Identified additional traffic along the study corridor in the recent years due to nearby construction.





Online Survey

Seven (7) members of the public provided feedback through the online survey. Comments for each of the survey questions are summarized in the following sections.

Are there any additional Existing Conditions we should consider from what was shared? Tell us below or otherwise leave blank.

Category	Comments
Traffic	Currently, McNaughton gets very very busy due to construction on Major Mackenzie and therefore if any studies are done this summer, it would not be indicative of normal conditions. Having said that, I am quite happy that McNaughton does exist, as it should redirect traffic away from the Major Mack/Keele intersection as that is a heritage district and shouldn't be as wide as it is. Perhaps there should be ways to encourage people to make that movement using McNaughton instead of Keele/Major Mack as that intersection still gets pretty busy during regular times, or just an outright prohibition at Keele/Maj Mack.
Natural Environment	Natural vegetation in the area
Speeding Concerns	McNaughton between Major Mac and Cranston Park becomes a speedway at night. It is about a 1km stretch where cars can race, or just accelerate fast. Police radar would help.
Active Transportation	Active transportation needs to be looked at. Walkability is satisfactory, there are sidewalks for that. However for scootering or biking, accessibility is horrible, especially on the west side of McNaughton. Bikes are frequently sharing the side walk with pedestrians, especially between the St Joan of Arc soccer field and the communities - which is evident of safety concerns that need to be addressed for the kids biking or walking to and from soccer practice. Families also do not want to bike along McNaughton on the road because it is not safe, and there is no separation between cars and cyclist, and when there are bike lanes, they are very poorly maintained (I.e., salt, sand, yard waste and gravel). You as a city staff must look at how bike lanes are not continuous (I.e., the bike lane on McNaughton east does not continue past Keele on the west side) and bike lanes suddenly end without curb cuts forcing
	cyclists to merge in with motor vehicles with little notice. In and out accessibility for go train station, contributing to traffic delays, back log and spill over should be considered as well. Only right turn out of parking lot, which encourages people u turning on McNaughton-which poses another safety concern. Consider traffic on Eagle Rock Way and parking etc.





Are there any other Evaluation Criteria we should consider from the list we shared? Tell us below or otherwise leave blank.

Category	Comments
Natural Environment	Incorporate natural watershed.
Public Transit and Active Transportation	Accessibility for all is necessary. Grade separation along McNaughton. Right hand turn lane necessary on McNaughton to head North Bound to Keele. Need to future plan for Block 27, and the huge traffic volumes to come.
	Increase frequency of public transit. It is not reliable enough to take. There should be an express bus that connects the community to the go train, that is timed to coordinate with train times.
	Carpool lanes, minimization of single use car traffic. Do not want 4 lanes of traffic on McNaughton. Increase turning lanes to keep traffic moving. West bound back up on McNaughton at both Keele and Major Mac.
	Need connection to city services such as the library, city hall, regional parks, and other roadways.
	Please consider ride-ability. Many parts of the Bartley smith trail are not connected or dangerous. Side roads aren't necessarily better as if you are trying to go north-east bound on McNaughton from Major Mac, the access is on the Northwest corner, meaning you have to go against live traffic.

Besides the seven (7) Alternative Solutions we evaluated, are there any other alternative solutions we should consider?

Category	Comments
Network Connection	See if the city can open up access to McNaughton Road a little more than the current entrances/exists. That way one can access Killian Road from McNaughton for example.
Active Transportation	Need to look at where the cycle lane is in relationship to street scape. Should not be. Should be access to Bartley smith trail, that does not require crossing roads, and has appropriate curb cuts and signals when crossing any
	roadways. Paved roads for scootering.





Do you agree with the recommended preferred solution, which consists of a combination of Alternative 2 (travel demand management), Alternative 4 (localized intersection and operational improvements), Alternative 5 (urbanize McNaughton Road West and maintain two lanes), and Alternative 6 (active transportation improvements)?

Category	Comments		
Active Transportation	Definitely need better active transportation.		
Active Transportation	I'm happy to see cycling being considered, especially with this route's use as a major connection between Maple GO and the surrounding communities. Done right, this can greatly alleviate morning and afternoon traffic, parking shortages at the station, and allow for alternative ways to access shopping. I would like to suggest that the cycle path have both travel directions on one side of the road (the south side) to align with the existing path on the McNaughton Rd East.		
Cross Section	I think 4 lanes is necessary. The traffic on Rutherford is too voluminous. We need alternative roads. This is an ideal place for 4 lanes as a bypass around Rutherford.		
Active Transportation	Priority must be given to active transportation, taking single use cars off the road. Need to talk to the region about Keele, Teston and Major Mackenzie, as there are many improvements that are necessary there as well, as it all works together. I'm not sure how Alternative 5 would be supportive of the Natural Environment. Alternative 6 would be best, with some elements of alternative 4. Need to consider enjoyability of people using trails and continuity of the network, to improve use of trails and decrease traffic or calm traffic.		

Please share any additional comments you may have related to the McNaughton Road West EA Study.

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Active Transportation	I think it's very important to ensure we keep moving forward in making all of Vaughan pedestrian and cycling friendly with dedicated cycling lanes without removing car lanes.
Natural Environment	I would like to save all the trees and maintain some of the watershed. There are some reeds like cattails that I wouldn't want to lose. Kids today don't see that very often. It would be a shame to lose them.
Traffic	I live at the corner of Glenkindie and Roseheath. Directly across from





Category	Comments
	McNaughton and about 50 metres north of Major Mac. Traffic noise is present 24 hours a day. Never ending road construction begins before 6AM. Widening McNaughton to 2 lanes will only add to the noise and pollution. Road construction on both Major Mac and Rutherford has been going on for over 2 years.
	Traffic is unreasonable. Consider the air pollution created as well as the cost of having many York Regional Police officers attend daily for years on end. I think in the last Mayoral race, Mayor Del Duca pledged to reduce traffic congestion. I think his term will end first.
Traffic	People at the meeting were referring to things "going back to normal" and the increase of traffic due to construction, but you need to consider the fact that there is an increase of density with new buildings and new neighbourhoods in the area.





Email Feedback

Six (6) members of the public provided comments through email. The comments received and the project team's responses are summarized as follows.

Category	Comment	Project Team's Response
Cross Section	I cannot attend the meeting on June 27th but would like to provide input. The information for this meeting does not indicate if increase lanes will be added to McNaughton Road. Adding bike lanes is not going to help with the concession of traffic on Major Mackenzie. There is plenty of room to make this road a four-lane road and reduce traffic between McNaughton and Keele.	Hi, Thank you for your email and your interest in the McNaughton Road West Environmental Assessment (Major Mackenzie Drive to Falvo Street). As per the notice for the first Public Information Center (attached for convenience), the recording of the meeting along with the presentation materials will be available on the study website by July 4, and an online feedback form will be available following the meeting, from June 27 to July 28, 2023. You can visit the study website at www.Vaughan.ca/McNaughton for more information. The following improvements are being recommended at this stage of the study: Intersection improvements which may include additional turning lanes to improve traffic flow and operations to/from McNaughton. Adding cycle tracks and sidewalks to promote active transportation in the corridor. Urbanizing McNaughton Road to include boulevards and streetscaping. Mid-block and trail connections to the Bartley Smith Greenway trail/Vaughan Super trail. It was found that widening of the entire corridor from two to four lanes would attract traffic to the corridor. Truck traffic, noise and speeding are also concerns.





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		York Region is undertaking construction projects for improvements to Major Mackenzie Drive and Keele Street. For more information, visit Road Construction Schedule York Region.
		Your input is appreciated and will be considered by the project team along with other feedback received from the public.
		If you would like to be on the study contact list for notifications on future study updates, please let us know.
Communications	Good Morning Hilda,	Good evening,
	I am wondering if the residences at [resident address omitted] are included in your notice circulation to residents for the first public information meeting for this EA?	Thank you for your email and your interest in the McNaughton Road West Environmental Assessment Study (Major Mackenzie to Falvo Street).
	My friend at work, who lives South on Keele street, said he got a letter in the mail, meanwhile I live a few hundred metres from McNaughton and have not received anything. There are a few THOUSAND residents who live in the condos at the Go train, so I hope we have all been included and maybe just have not received the letter yet? I don't remember receiving the first notice in September of the study commencement, but we may have received it then.	[resident address omitted] is included in the mail-outs of notices for this study. As a condo building, the mail is sent to the condo management office for posting within the building. The project team also places notifications in the Newspaper, on the City's social media platforms and on Electronic Message Signs at the intersections of McNaughton and Keele, and McNaughton and Major Mackenzie. The mailing list includes addresses within 500m from McNaughton Road, at the very least.
	Any help is appreciated! Thanks so much Hilda.	I have attached the recent notice of PIC 1 to this email for your convenience. Please note that the PIC will kick off with a live virtual meeting on Tuesday June 27 at 7pm. The notice has all the information.





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		If you would like to be added to the study mailing list to receive future project updates via email, please let us know. Regards,
Communications	Hello Brittany Unfortunately, I will not be able to join the meeting as I have another meeting to attend to. Will this meeting be recorded? Can you tell me what will be discussed or reviewed at this meeting? Any changes to the proposed and preferred urbanization option discussed at the previous meeting? Thank you	Hello, Sorry to hear that. The recording of the meeting along with the presentation materials will be available on the study website by July 4, and an online feedback form will be available following the meeting, from June 27 to July 28, 2023. You can visit the study website at www.Vaughan.ca/McNaughton for more information. The following improvements are being recommended at this stage of the study: Intersection improvements which may include additional turning lanes to improve traffic flow and operations to/from McNaughton. Adding cycle tracks and sidewalks to promote active transportation in the corridor. Urbanizing McNaughton Road to include boulevards and streetscaping. Mid-block and trail connections to the Bartley Smith Greenway trail/Vaughan Super trail. Let me know if you have any further questions or comments.



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		Kind regards,
Truck Traffic	Thank you for your email, I'll be sure to look for those materials.	Comment noted.
	I would like to add for discussion that the committee and stakeholders consider and approve that appropriate signage ensuring truck traffic is limited to approved hours at the following locations; -intersections of Keele & McNaughton -intersection of Major Mackenzie & McNaughton -along McNaughton Road	
	Most importantly, signage is required at the intersections, so the trucks are aware prior to making the turn onto McNaughton. If the first signage they see is along McNaughton it defeats the purpose, and only serves as a reminder for the next time.	
	Can you please confirm that my email will be included in today's discussion?	
	Thank you.	
Construction Concerns,	Hi Hilda, Jamshaid, Brittany	Comment noted.
Public Transit, and Active Transportation	Thanks for your time this evening. This was very informative.	
	Unfortunately, your conference tool that you stated would be available were not available. It does not allow you to post a question or to unmute yourself and I was using the pc and browser so not sure if for future you can use a different tool. When I asked my questions, I	





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	was getting echoing and feedback which made it very difficult for me to present my questions accurately or clearly so do apologize. Maybe Microsoft Teams or Zoom would be easier for the group next time. It is very hard to be interactive with the group that is speaking or to support the others on the call with positive feedback.	
	I would like to continue to be a part of all of your study updates as they become available and for any calls that you hold in the future.	
	I am very happy that you are not going forward with the 4-lane option. Thank you so much for that as I back onto McNaughton and do not appreciate all the noise and dirt as I hang my clothes outside to dry to give back to our Mother Earth and lessen the environmental impact for the future of our children.	
	I have been in Maple over 30 years so do appreciate that you will keep McNaughton as a quiet neighborhood road.	
	I walk everywhere and bicycle when I can. I do not have problems at all getting along McNaughton. I am concerned about the costs, the noise from the construction the dirt from the construction and is it all worth it when McNaughton Road is not a main road. I chose my home to be away from main roads where there is a lot of noise.	
	I would like to see more about the sidewalk area and bicycle options as I do not want noise or dirt in my neighbourhood if you were going to do the sidewalk construction.	





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	1. Getting to Longos and the pharmacy at Jane and Major Mac, I use the walkways and bicycle access with the existing sidewalks and paths that are currently have available parallel to McNaughton without any problem at all. Think you need to revisit this again please or please share with me what you are doing.	
	 Adding a bus to the area. Please note that Joan of Arc road residents shut down a bus on its corridor when the community was originally created so I believe you will get push back on any additions to this. 	
	Vaughan residents do not use buses they use cars.	
	4. I agree that users currently use McNaughton as a speed area already so do appreciate that keeping it to two lanes will discourage speeding/racing. Hopefully the city will look into law enforcement to lessen this once you do provide bike lane and sidewalk name	
	I agree with [name omitted] that the traffic on McNaughton is mainly because of the construction on Keele, Rutherford, Jane, Dufferin, and Major MacKenzie so anyone is looking at any option to divert from that construction. Therefore, makes McNaughton busier than it was prior to 2021.	
	Thanks again for your time.	
Traffic	Issue with high traffic from McNaughton through Falvo to Stonebriar (check picture attachment), no Stop sign	The shortcutting though Stonebriar from Keele to McNaughton is attributed to drivers wanting to bypass





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Category	from Falvo to Stonebriar, and drivers are using this route to make an additional shortcut to Keel. The problematic time is the morning, 7-9 am, and 4-6 pm.	the intersection of McNaughton and Keele Street. Heavy queues westbound queues at the intersection occurs and most noticeable following the arrival of GO trains at the Maple GO station. The current construction on Major Mackenzie Drive has added additional traffic onto McNaughton as motorist detour to avoid the construction. In response to the concerns raised of the lack of STOP sign for traffic from Falvo to Stonebriar, the city undertook traffic counts to determine if the traffic volumes meet the requirements to install All-Way STOP (AWS) control at the intersection of Falvo and Stonebriar. Given the increase in traffic due to Major
		Mackenzie Drive construction, the amount of traffic infiltration and the traffic volumes identified in the recent traffic counts likely represents higher than normal traffic conditions. Nevertheless, the traffic volumes do not meet the requirements for All-Way STOP for these local roads intersection based on the review of the identified peak periods between 7-9 am and 4-6 pm. AWS requires the assessment of the peak 4 hours, thus a review of the 8-9 am and 3-6pm periods also does not indicate AWS controls are warranted.
		In the future, two situations will likely reduce the traffic volumes in the area. First is the completion of the construction on Major Mackenzie Drive which has restricted the amount of lanes and increased delays for motorist. The second is the completion of construction along the adjacent Barrie GO line, including the current Maple GO Station improvements, which will bring frequent 2-way GO train service. More frequent service should spread





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		out the surge in traffic before and following the arrival of trains.
		There is currently an ongoing McNaughton Road Environmental Assessment being conducted by the city. This study is reviewing the section of McNaughton Road from Major Mackenzie Drive to Falvo Street. The study aimed is to increase transportation capacity and improve road operations. Although the first Public Information Centre occurred a couple of days ago, the presentation is expected to posted online on July 4th, with public comments accepted until July 28th. You can view the presentation and participate with your comments regarding your concerns by following this link: McNaughton Road West Environmental Assessment City of Vaughan
		As mentioned, Metrolinx is expanding the Maple GO station to accommodate the planned increase in GO train service to provide frequent 15-minute two-way service. The current construction will provide separate southbound and northbound platforms for passengers to board and alight trains, and a second train track along the Barrie line. Among other improvements, a noise wall is proposed to be built along the west side of the railway tracks from Major Mackenzie Drive to McNaughton Road. For more information on this, please contact or visit the Metrolinx website.
Public Transit and Active	Hello Hilda,	Hello,
Transportation	I reviewed the presentation for the assessment for the improvements you are planning for McNaughton.	Thank you for your email and your interest in the McNaughton Road West Environmental Assessment





Category	Comment	Project Team's Response
	My daughter will be attending St. Joan of Arc this September, so I will be using McNaughton occasionally. There will be a school bus for this school year and hopefully into the next 3 years after that. If there is NO school bus by September 2024, I would LOVE to have a transit route on McNaughton. In addition, I really love the idea of the sidewalks and bicycle paths along the road. When will the construction begin and what are the chances for a bus route? Thank you,	York Region Transit determines transit routes in the Region, including Vaughan. This study will review and make recommendations that improve transit access along McNaughton Road. Anticipated construction timing for improvements to McNaughton Road West will be subject to City programming and budget processes. After this study is complete, detailed design would need to take place prior to construction and that could take us to 2031. If you would like to be added to the contact list for the study, please let me know.





Next Steps

Feedback received from this PIC will be taken into consideration throughout the future phases of the McNaughton Road West EA Study. A second PIC will be held later in the Study to gather feedback on alternative design concepts for the Study corridor.







Welcome!

Thank you for attending this virtual public meeting

Presenters:

- Hilda Esedebe, City of Vaughan Project Manager
- Jamshaid Muzaffar, HDR Project Manager

Facilitator:

Brittany Zhang, HDR Project Coordinator



Format of the Meeting

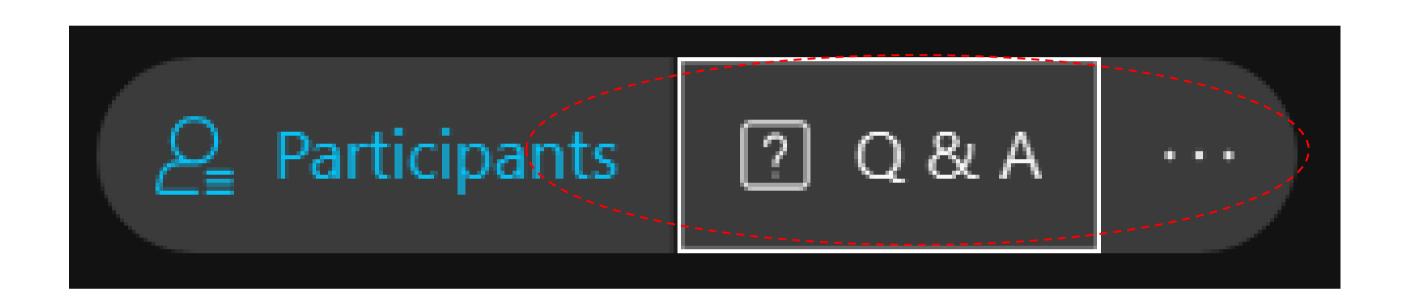
The project team will provide a presentation live followed by a question-and-answer period.

You can ask questions or provide comments by typing them into the "Q & A" and the Facilitator will read out the questions for the project team to respond to.

Your name will not be read aloud when questions are asked.

Alternatively, if you prefer to speak, you can use the raise hand function to ask your question.

Public input received through this virtual meeting will be included in a feedback report that will also be posted on the project website.







Why have a Public Information Centre (PIC)?



Identify local transportation opportunities, needs, and issues specific to McNaughton Road West



Gain a better understanding about the project



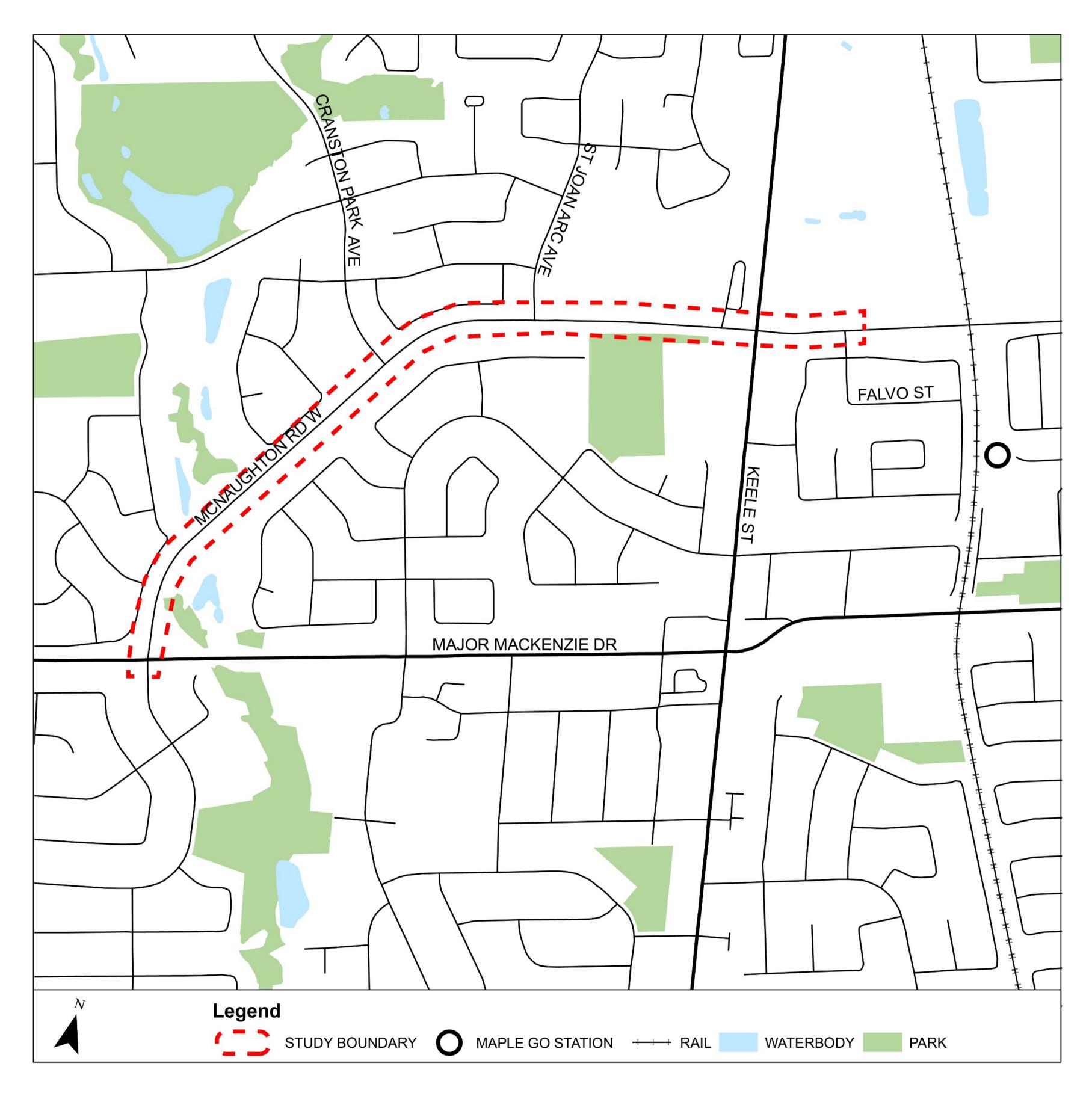
Learn about how the decision-making process works



Provide input on the findings and the preferred alternative solution



Study Area and Study Purpose



Study Area

City of Vaughan initiated an Environmental Assessment study for McNaughton Road West between **Major**Mackenzie Drive and Falvo Street.

Study Purpose

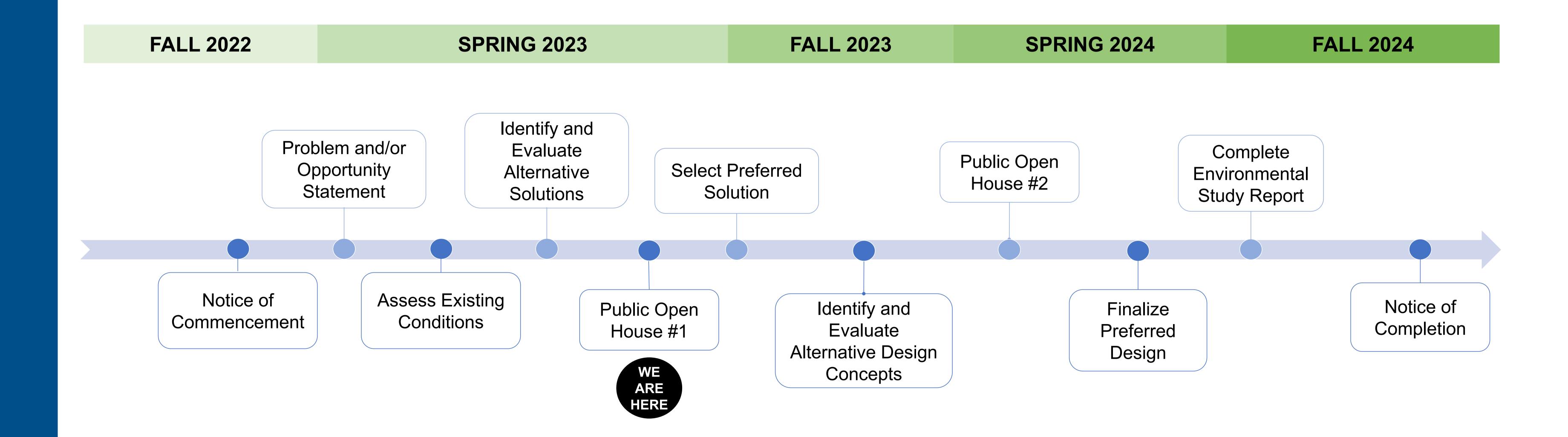
The study will assess operational performance improvements and urbanization of McNaughton Road West, considering the inclusion of sidewalks, cycling facilities, and mid-block and trail crossings to support the connection to the proposed Vaughan Super Trail and Bartley Smith Greenway Trail.

These improvements will aim to address capacity and operational needs to accommodate planned growth in the area for pedestrians, cyclists, transit users and motorists.



Study Process and Timeline

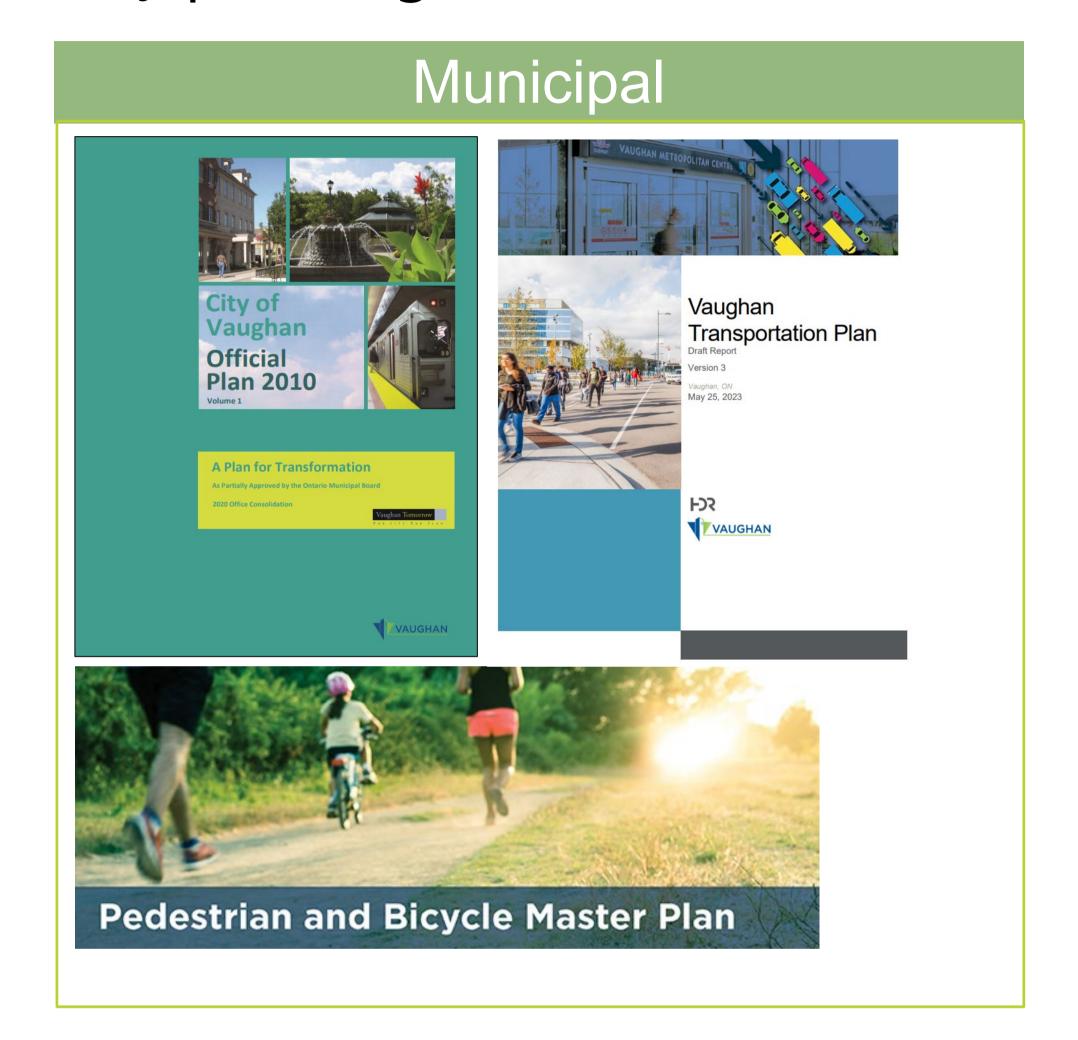
A Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) is a planning process for municipal infrastructure, legislated by the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. The McNaughton Road West EA study commenced in September 2022, and is projected to be complete by the fall of 2024.

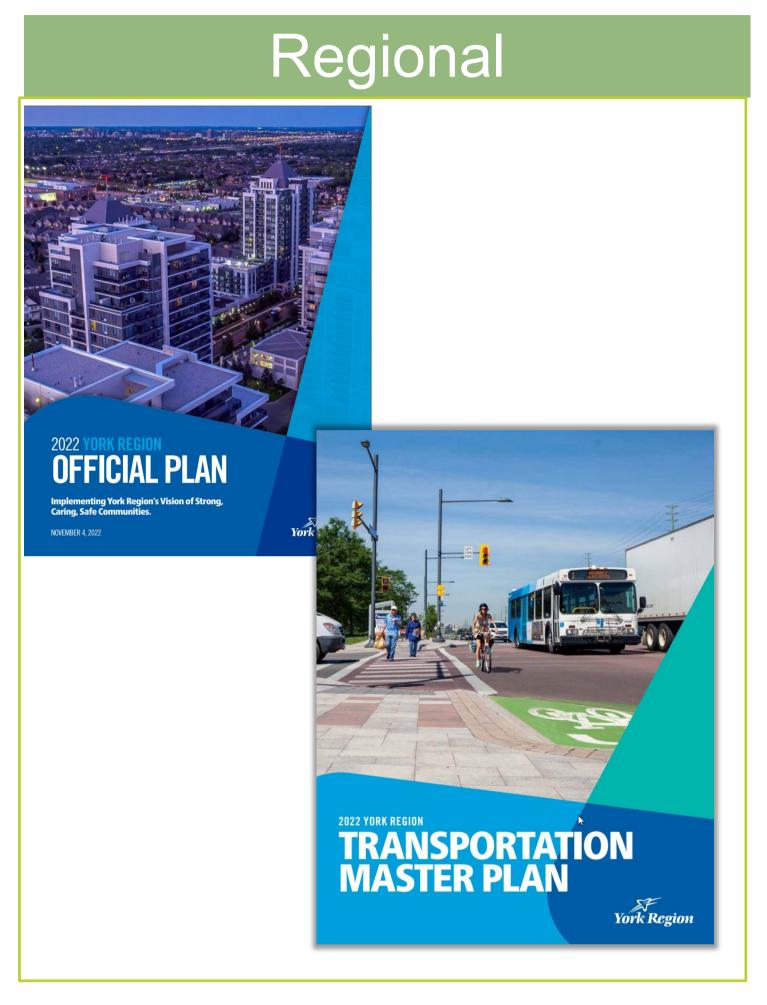


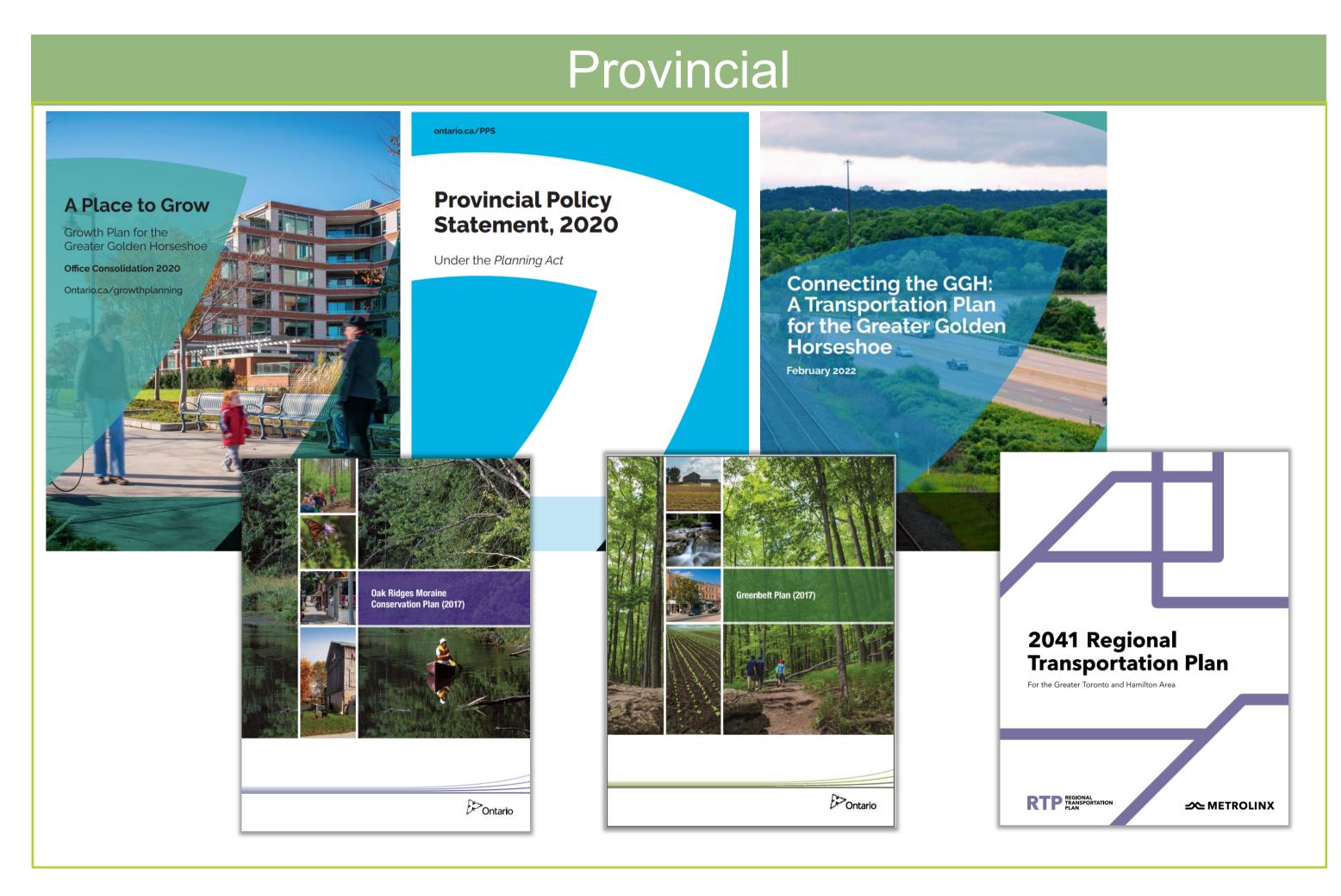


Planning Policy Context

Key planning documents that set the framework for the study include:





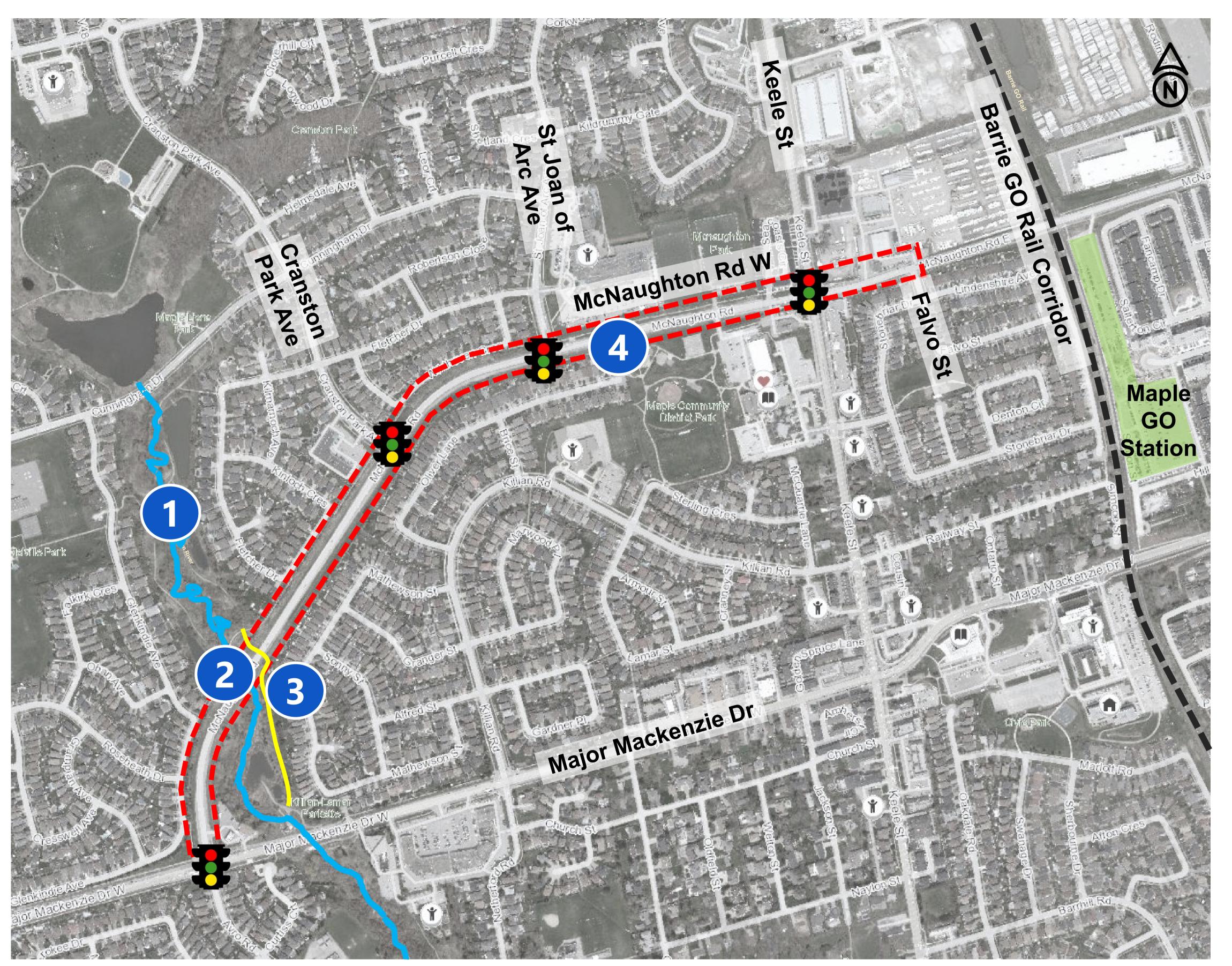


Key Findings

- McNaughton Road West is designated as a Minor Arterial with a 36m Official Plan right-of-way (ROW)
- Plans and policies promote sustainable and active transportation
- McNaughton Road West is designated as a local cycling route with proposed separated in-boulevard facility in Vaughan's priority cycling network
- Plans and policies promote connection with the Vaughan Super Trail
- The study area is located west of the Maple GO Station



Existing Conditions - Overview



McNaughton Road West is currently a twolane rural road between Major Mackenzie Drive and Keele Street that is surrounded primarily by low rise residential land use.

The existing ROW in the study area varies:

- Major Mackenzie Drive to Keele Street: 48-55m
- Keele Street to Falvo Street: 23-29m

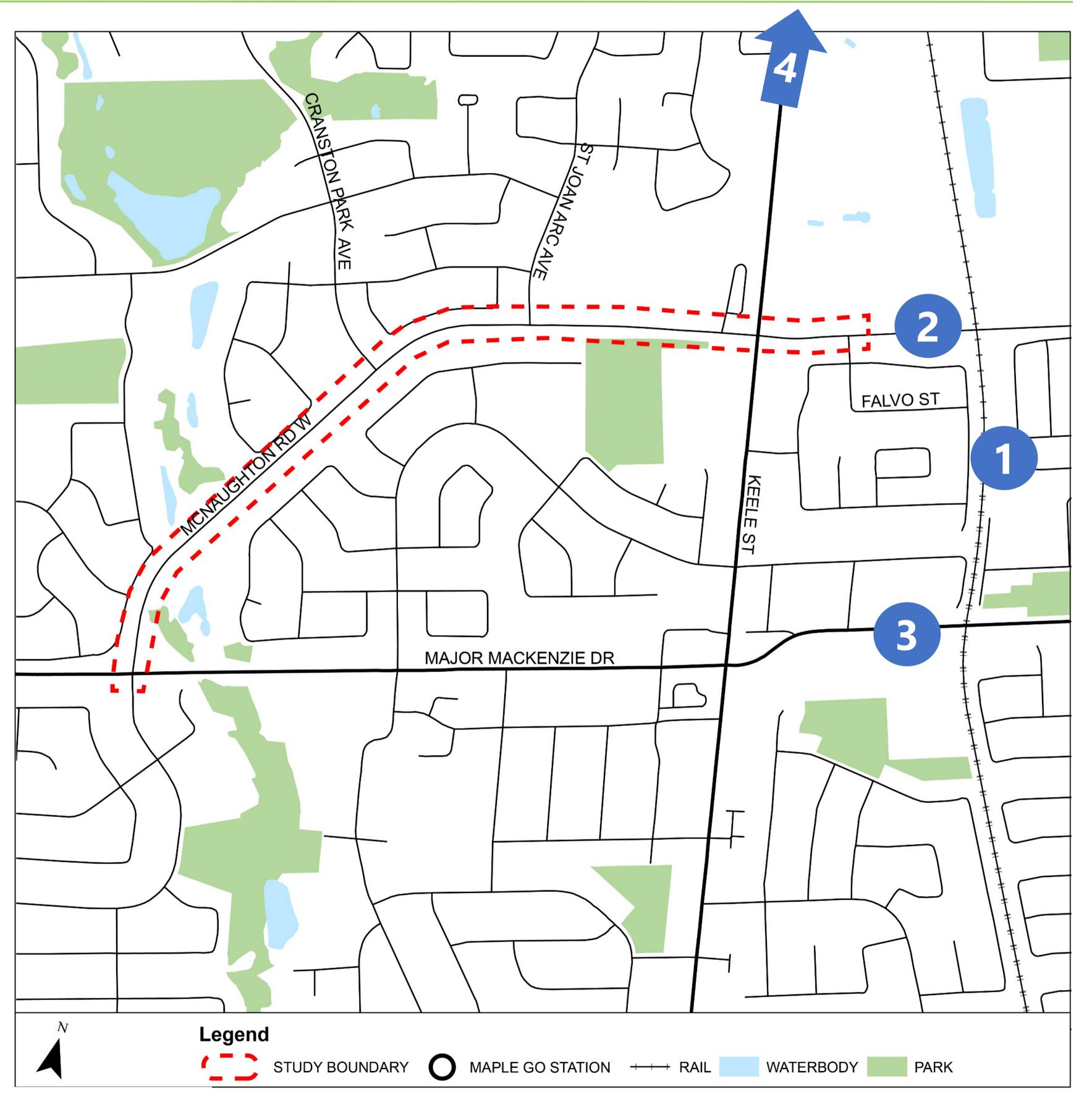
The Official Plan has designated the study area with an arterial ROW width of 36.0m.

Key features within / adjacent to the corridor include:

- 1 West Don River Watercourse
- 2 Crossing of the West Don River
- Future Bartley Smith Greenway Trail
 Connection
- Pedestrian Signalized Crossing



Adjacent Conditions



McNaughton Road was first built as an access to the City landfill site. As the City experiences rapid growth and development, the area around McNaughton Road has changed. Some notable changes include:

- Maple Go Station McNaughton Road connects to the Maple GO station area, which is expected to experience increased use as Metrolinx plans to increase its service to all-day two-way service. Work on the grade separation of the GO rail line at McNaughton Road (just east of Falvo Street) is currently under review by Metrolinx
- McNaughton Road East Improvements The addition of active transportation facilities along McNaughton Road East from Keele Street to Major Mackenzie Drive.
- Major Mackenzie Drive Improvements Road reconstruction project including the addition of cycling facilities from Jane to just east of Keele Street, and the addition of a left turn lane at Keele Street.
- Keele Street Improvements Watermain and sanitary sewer replacement, implementation of sidewalk and cycling facilities and street lighting, Rutherford Road to Teston Road.



Bartley Smith Greenway (BSG) Trail



The Bartley Smith Greenway (BSG) is a 15km recreational multi-use trail. It is a key component of the Vaughan Super Trail network

City of Vaughan is completing a feasibility study to determine how to address a three-kilometre gap in the Bartley Smith Greenway Trail between McNaughton Road and Rutherford Road.

The McNaughton Road EA will incorporate the City's recommendations for either an at-grade or below grade trail crossing connection at the West Don River.

Existing Trail

Proposed New Trail

Existing West Don River

Trail Crossing Connection (TBD)



Existing ConditionsCultural Heritage

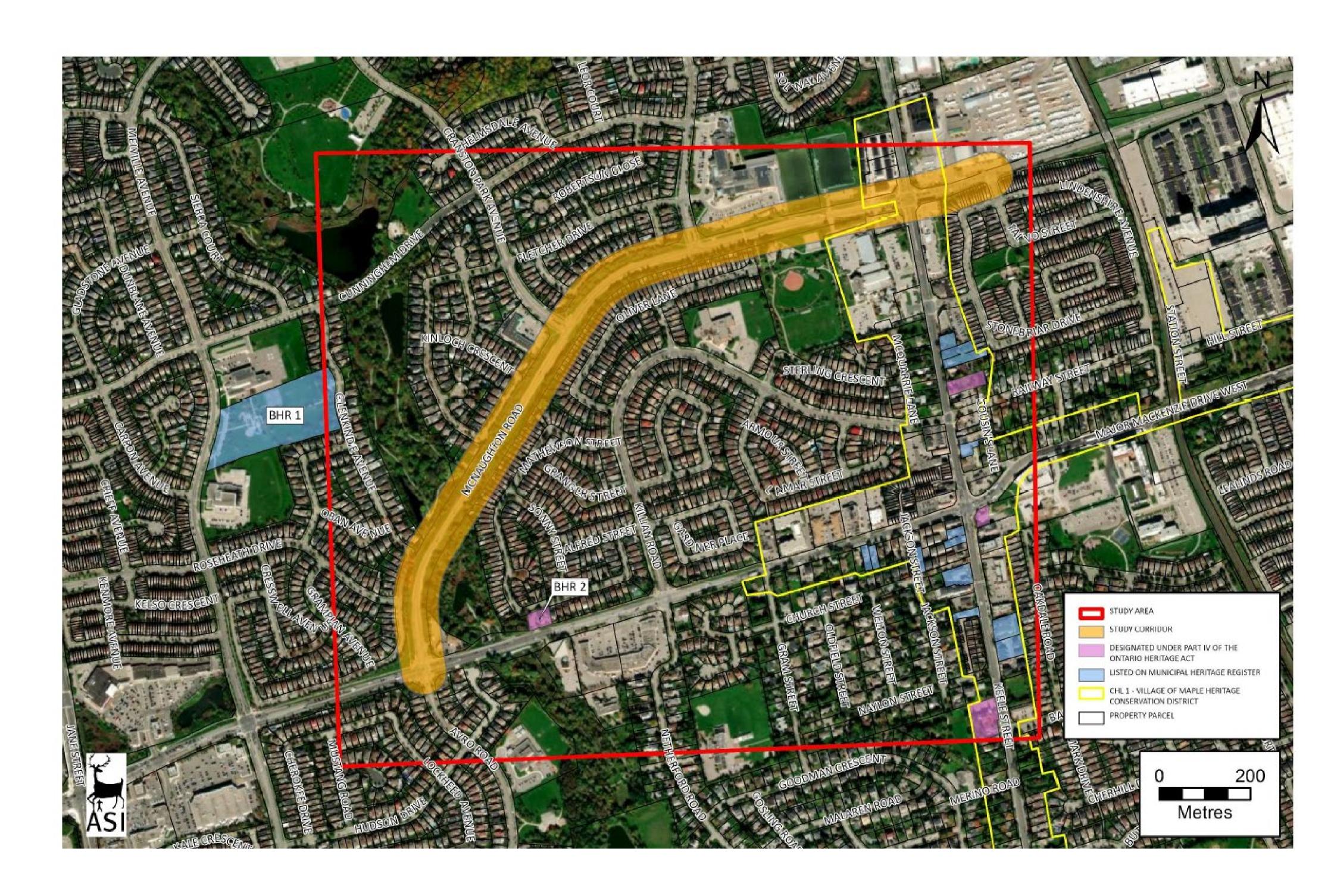
Cultural Heritage Landscape (CHL)

One CHL has been identified to overlap the study area. The CHL is designated under Part V of the *Ontario Heritage Act* as the Village of Maple Heritage Conservation District.

Built Heritage Resources (BHR)

Two BHRs have been identified adjacent to study area:

- BHR 1 residential property listed on the *municipal heritage register*
- BHR 2- residential property designated under the Part IV of the *Ontario*Heritage Act





Existing Conditions

Natural Heritage

Several natural heritage field surveys will be undertaken as part of the natural heritage analysis, including:



Preliminary Ecological Land Classification Survey



Aquatic Habitat Assessment



Tree Inventory



Summer Vegetation Inventory / Wetland Delineation



Anuran Surveys



Review Wetland Boundaries with TRCA



Breeding Bird Surveys



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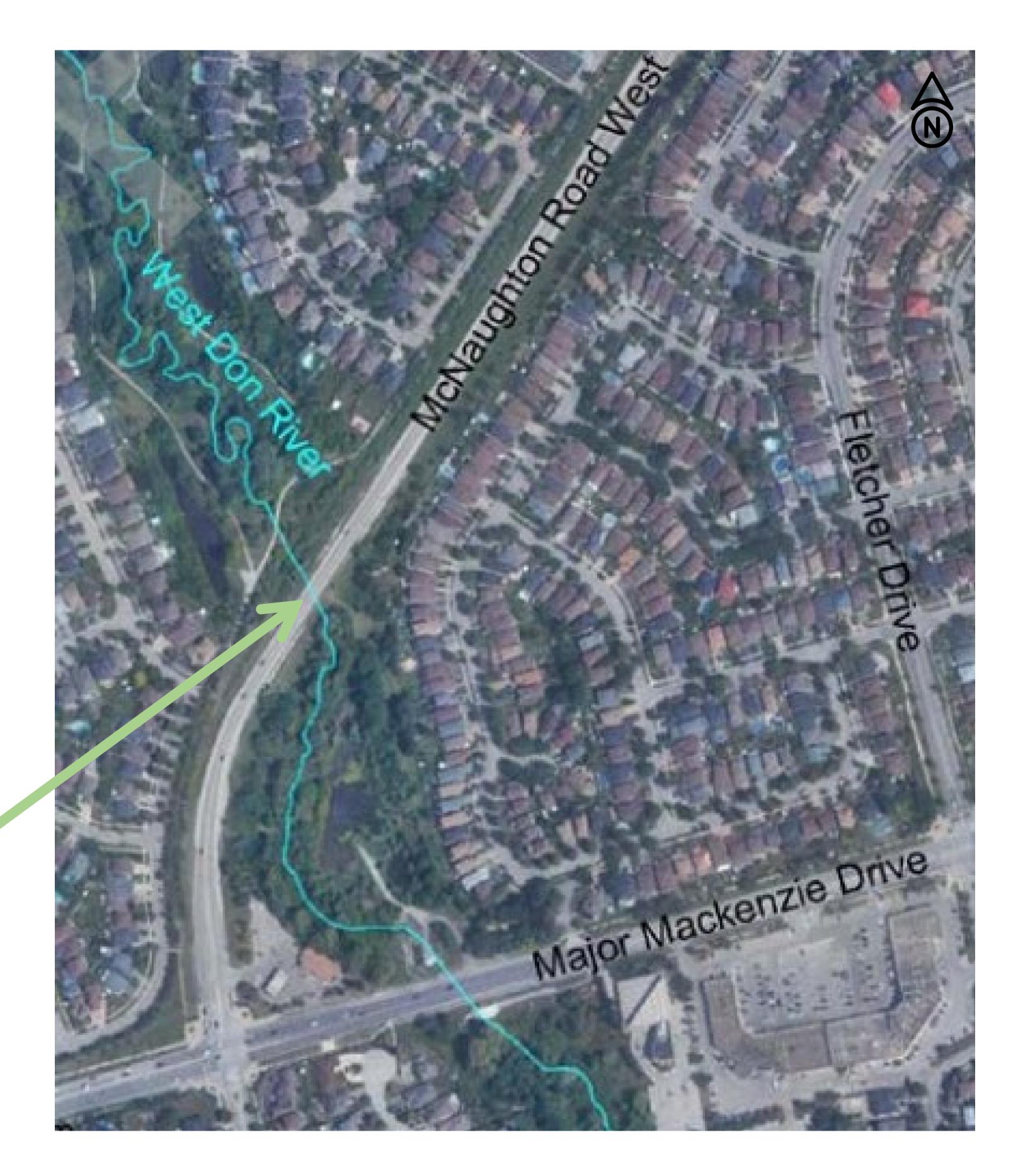
Fluvial Geomorphology

West Don River Crossing of McNaughton Road

The West Don River Crossing of McNaughton Road currently uses a double cell box culvert. There is a beaver dam at the outlet that creates backwater effect. The removal of the beaver dam may restore flow, natural stream conditions, and fish passage.

The TRCA crossing guidelines will be used to inform crossing recommendations at a later project phase.







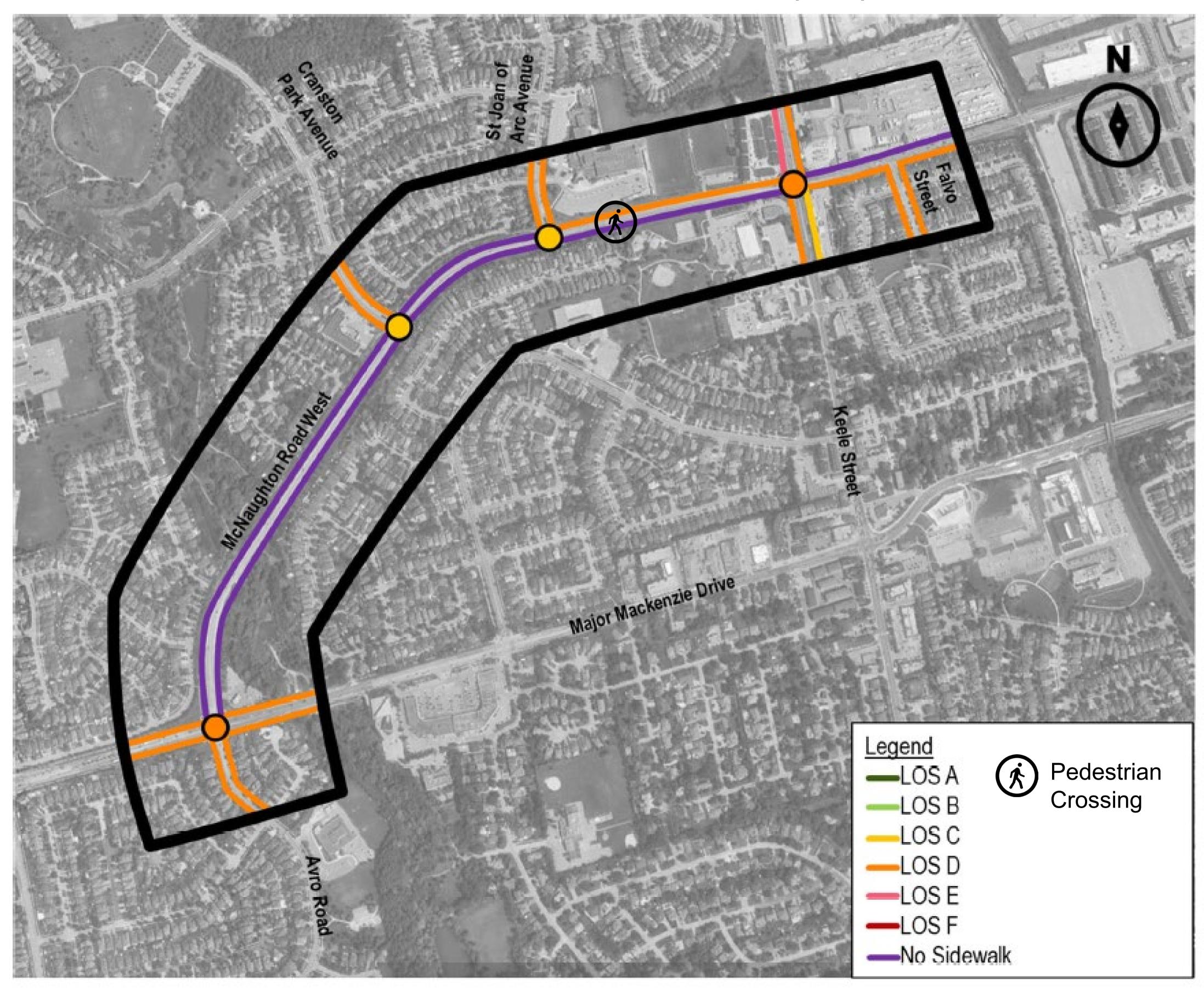
Walking Conditions

The current rural McNaughton Road West corridor is not conducive to walking.

There are no sidewalks on either side of McNaughton Road West between Major Mackenzie Drive/Avro Road and St. Joan of Arc Avenue, however, connections are provided to residential neighbourhoods to the north of McNaughton Road West, providing access to Glenkindie Avenue, Kinloch Crescent, and Wildhaven Crescent.

There is an existing signalized pedestrian crossing ~95m east of St. Joan of Arc Avenue, connecting St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School and the Maple Community District Park to the south.

2051 Pedestrian Level of Service (LOS)





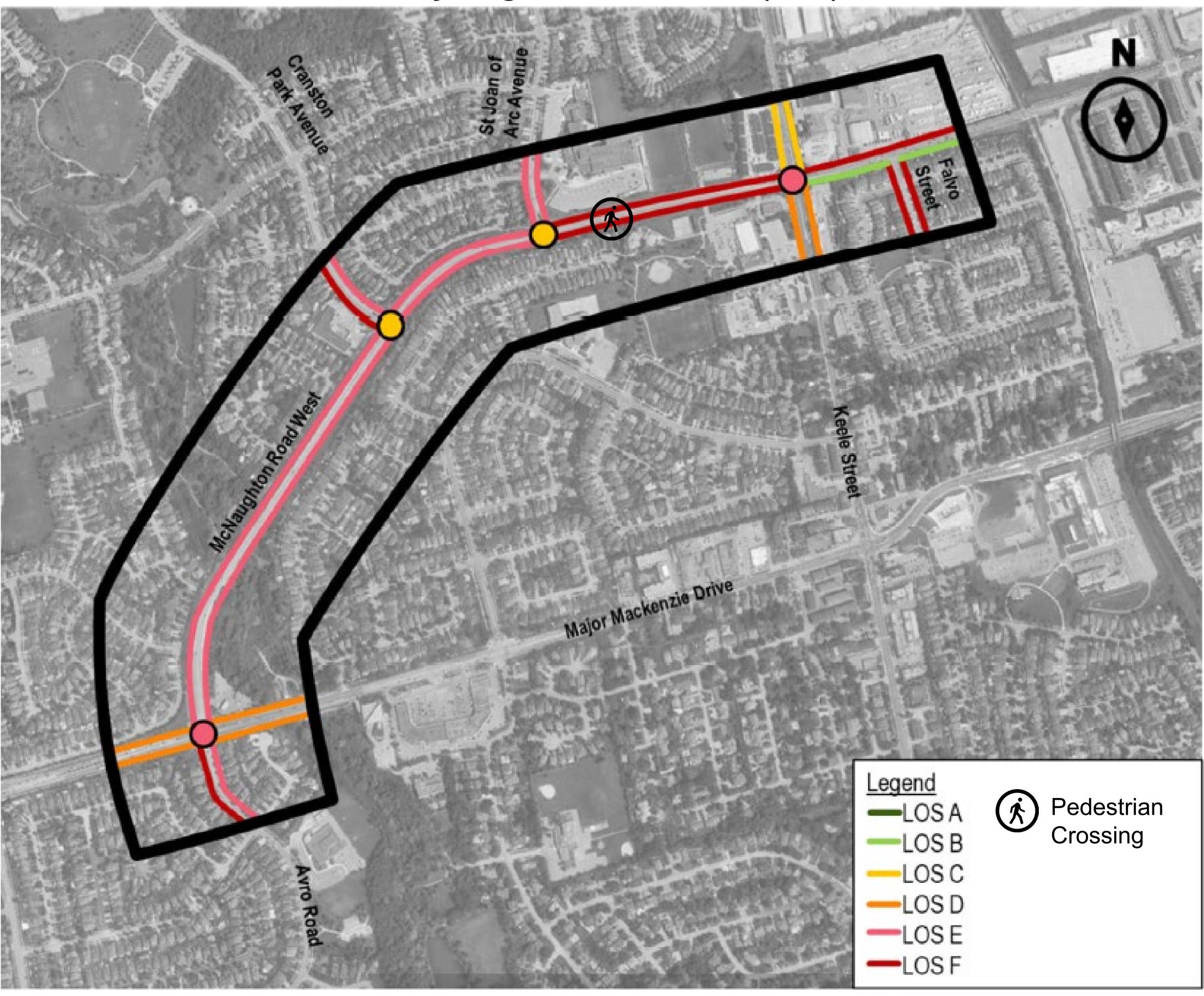
Cycling Conditions

The current rural McNaughton Road West corridor is a signed cycling route in both directions, where cyclists share the roadway with other vehicles.

The Bartley Smith Greenway Trail runs along the West Don River that crosses McNaughton Road West, however, there are no cycling connections from the north to the south of McNaughton Road West.

City of Vaughan is completing the Bartley Smith Greenway Trail feasibility study to address a north-south trail crossing of McNaughton Road West at the West Don River.

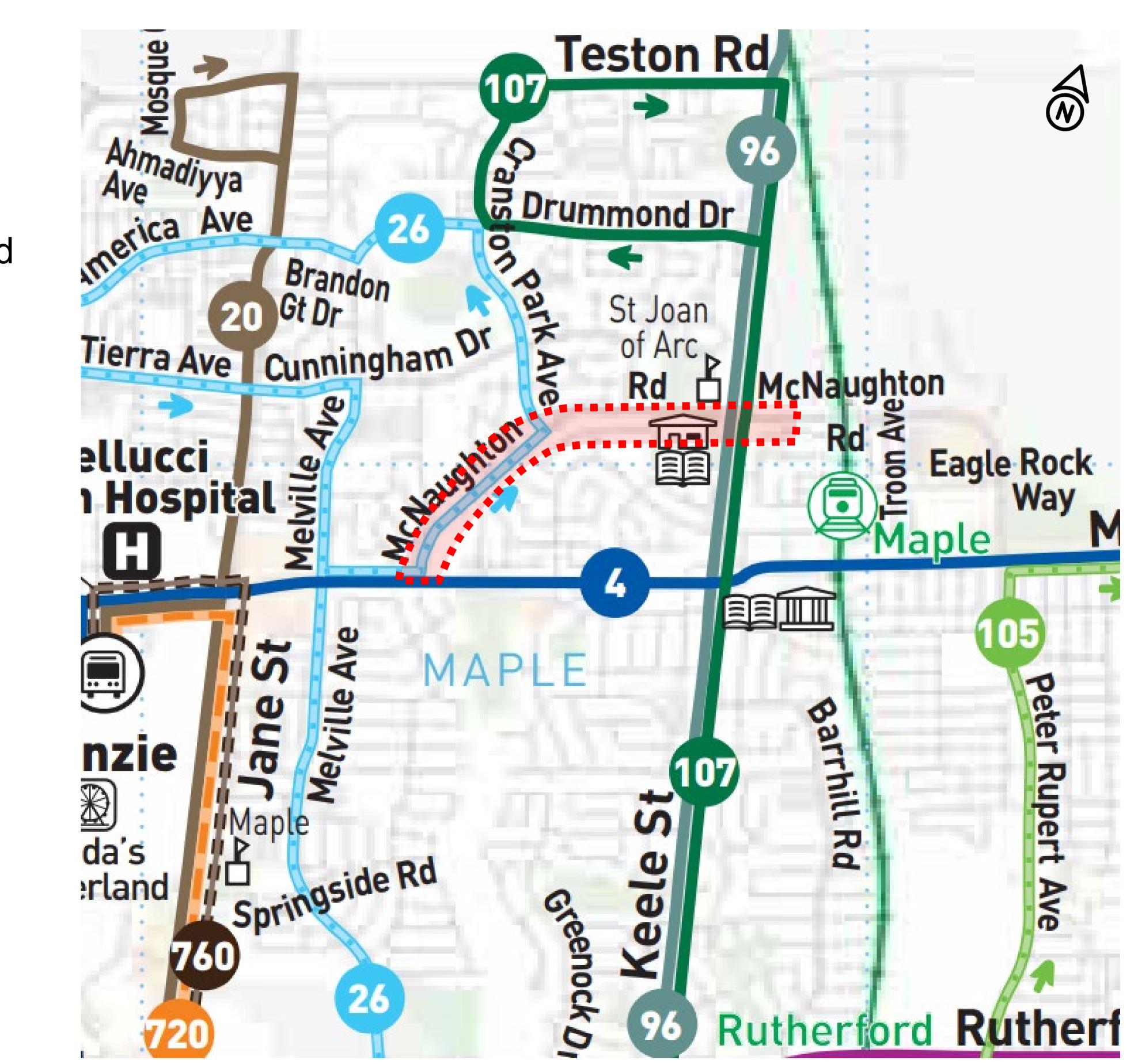
2051 Cycling Level of Service (LOS)





Transit Conditions

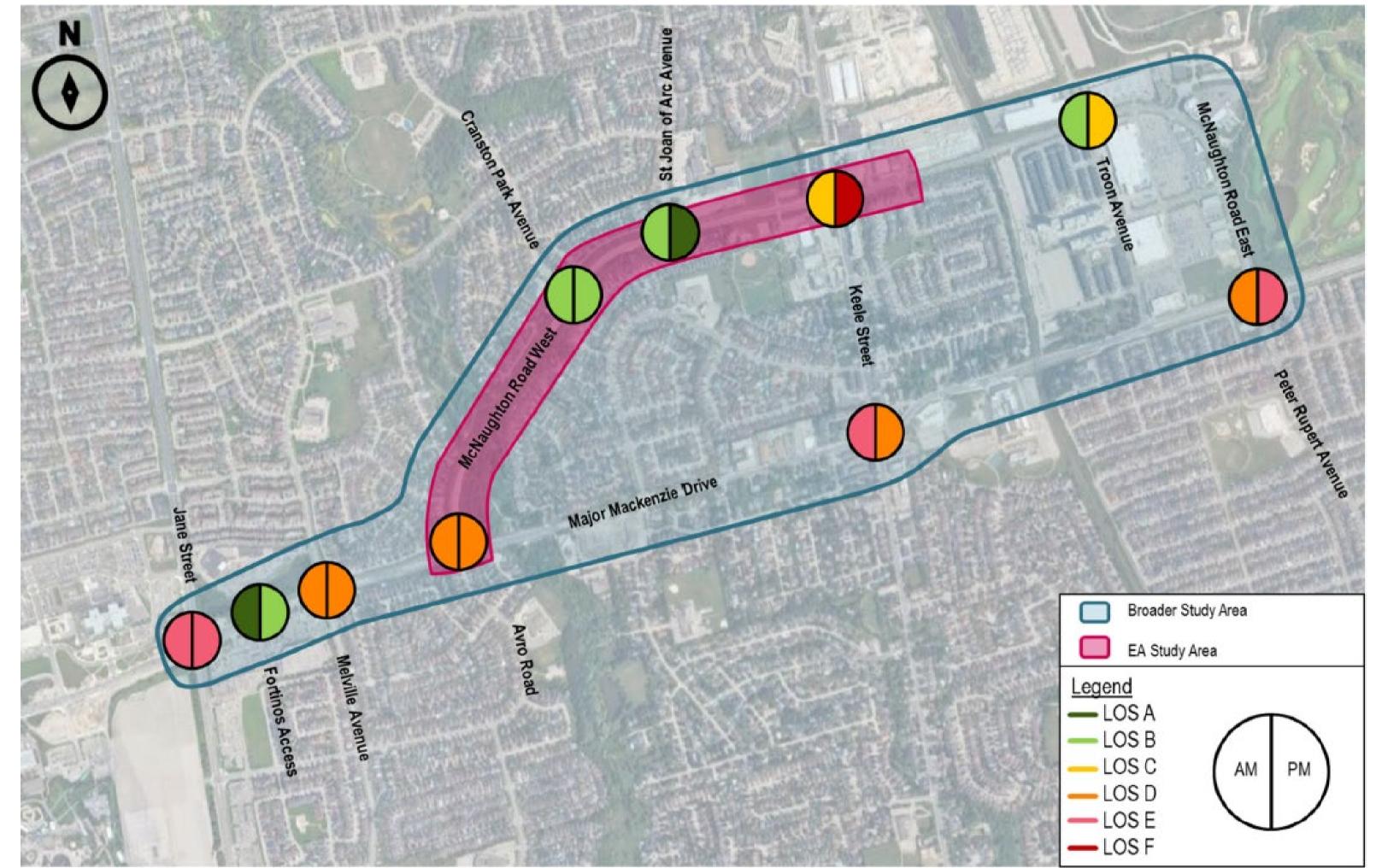
- Only YRT Route 26 Maple traverses McNaughton Road West.
- Two other routes cross the corridor:
 - Route 96 Keele-Yonge Northbound/Southbound
 - Route 107 Keele Northbound/Southbound
- Maple GO Station is located east of the study area
- There are existing bus stops along McNaughton Road West corridor at:
 - Keele Street
 - St. Joan of Arc Avenue
 - Cranston Park Avenue
 - Major Mackenzie Drive



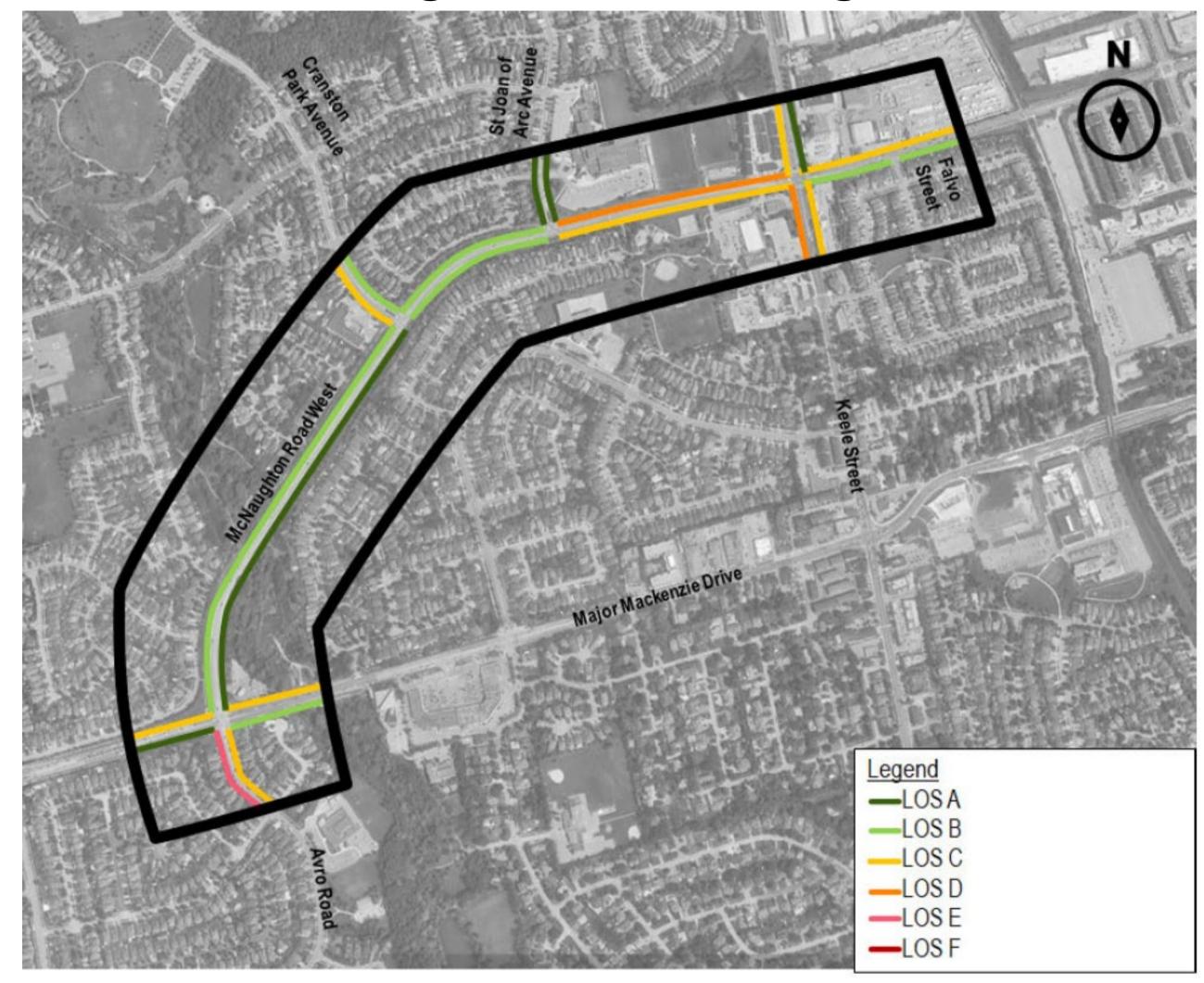


Existing 2022 Transportation Conditions

2022 Auto Vehicle Intersection Level Of Service (LOS)



2022 Existing Auto Vehicle Segment LOS

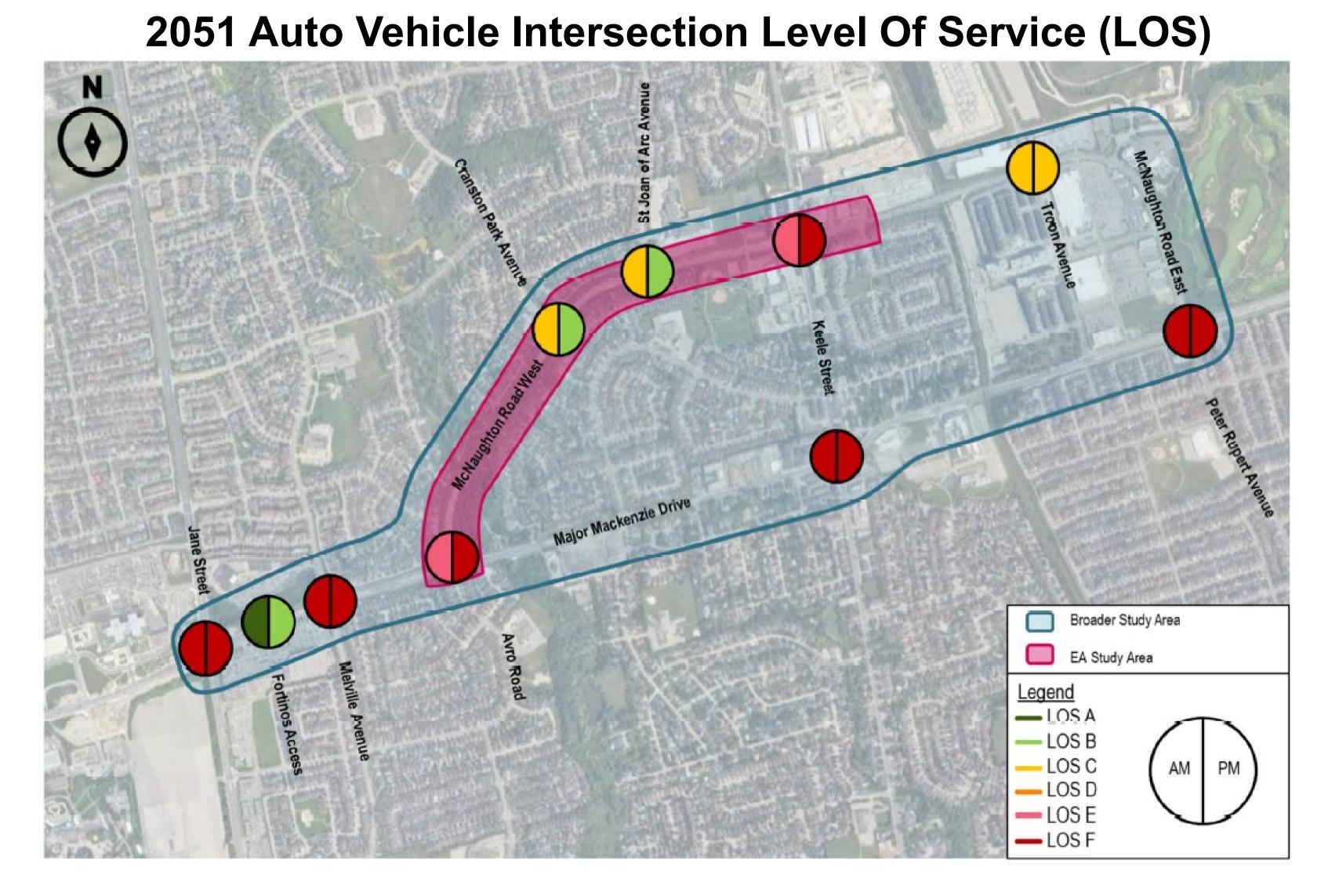


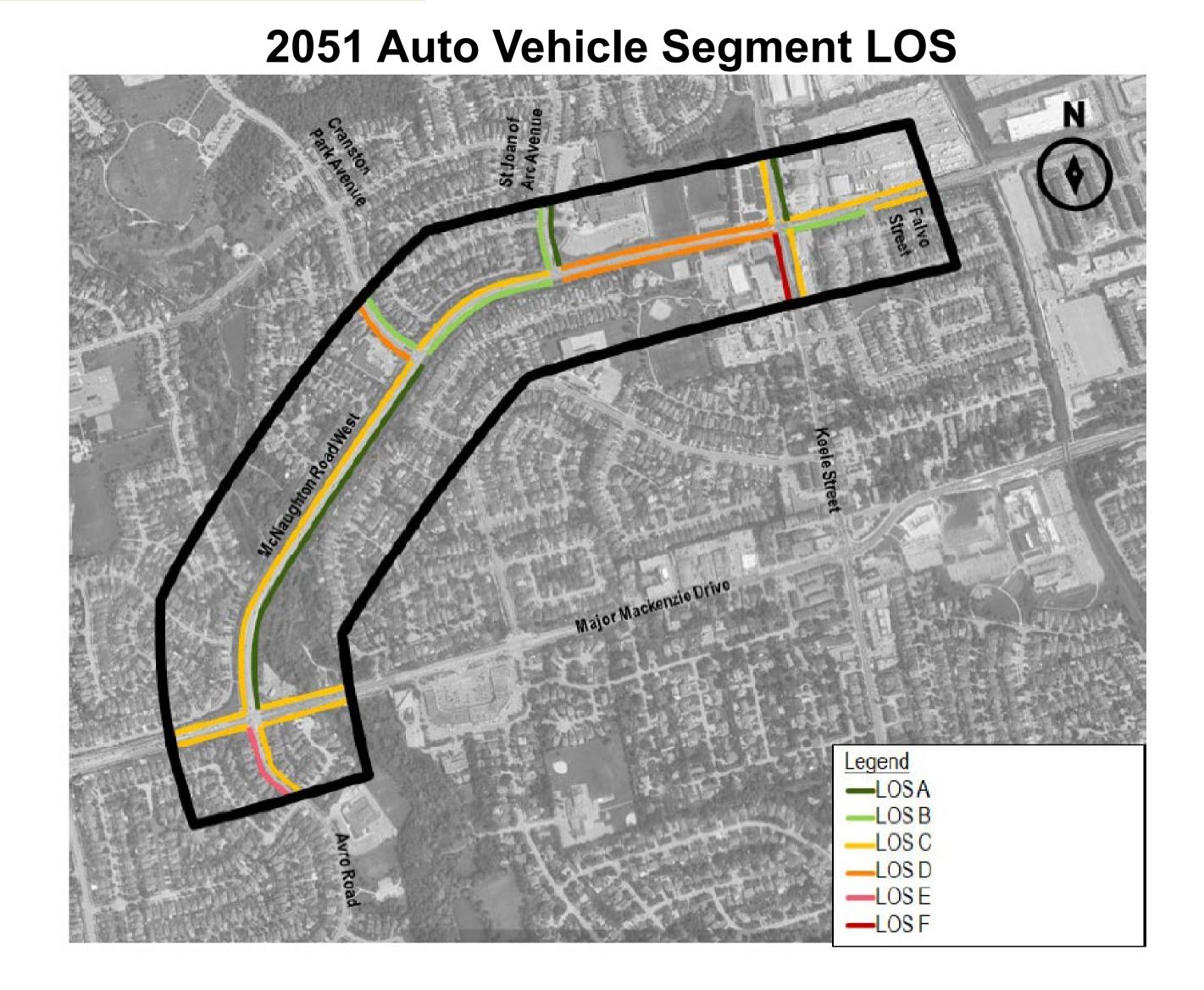
Existing 2022 traffic conditions:

- Generally, the study area intersections operate within capacity, however, several movements at major intersections experience high delays with some movements operating close to capacity
- Spill backs were observed east-west at McNaughton Road West and Keele Street, impacting adjacent driveways
- Traffic diversion or mode shift should be considered to mitigate large queues at McNaughton Road West and Keele Street



Future 2051 Transportation Conditions





Future 2051 traffic conditions:

- Some intersections will reach capacity and operate at a high delay (LOS F)
- Many movements in the broader study area will experience queues that extend beyond existing storage lengths

Increased mode shift and infrastructure improvements may be needed to accommodate future growth and reduce the number of single-occupant vehicles. Widening of McNaughton Road assessed to mitigate potential safety concerns from queue spillbacks, improve transit travel times, and reduce vehicle delays.



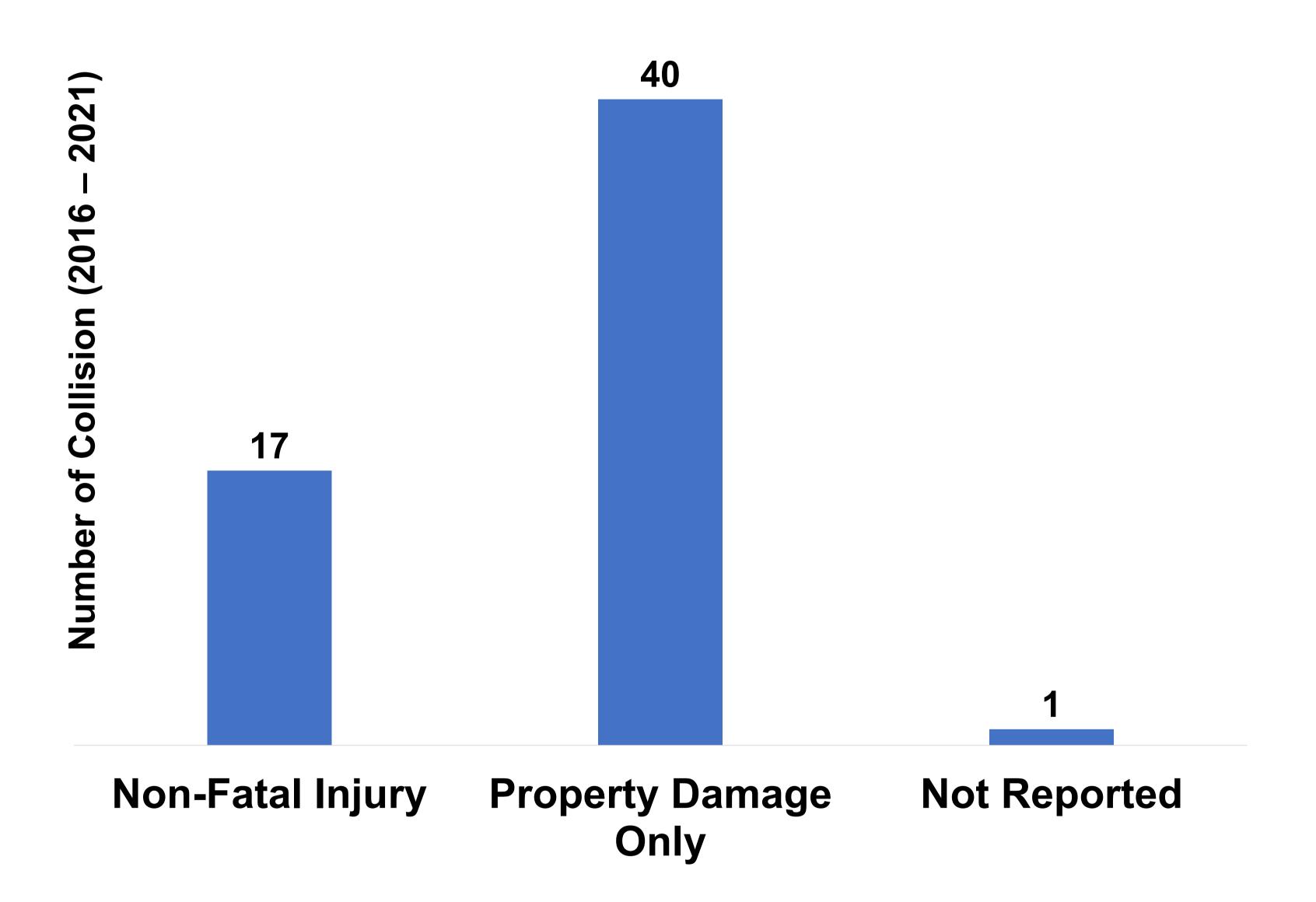
Safety Considerations

McNaughton Road West and St Joan of Arc Avenue experienced the highest number of collisions (8) along the study corridor. No fatalities were reported.

Majority of collisions along McNaughton Road West appear to be of human error, such as:

- Following vehicles too closely;
- Not obeying traffic controls at intersections;
- Failing to yield the right-of-way; or
- Improperly changing lanes, passing, or turning.

No recurring safety concerns or mitigation measures have been identified based on the historical collision data along the McNaughton Road West corridor.





Problem and Opportunity Statement

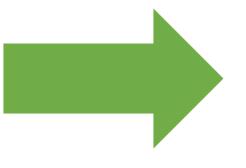
Problem

Intersections will approach capacity and experience delays and queue spillbacks, creating potential safety and operational concerns



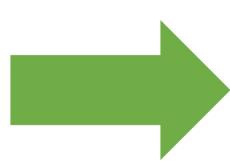
Evaluate improvements to McNaughton Road to accommodate projected traffic demand and provide sufficient east-west transportation capacity

Lack of continuous pedestrian and cyclist facilities result in increased travel distance and reduced connectivity to adjacent community connections, including Maple GO Station and Bartley Smith Greenway



Provide pedestrian and cyclist facilities to accommodate existing and future users with access to adjacent features and connections, including Maple GO Station and Bartley Smith Greenway

Existing infrastructure does not promote transit service



Evaluate intersection treatments and transit stop accessibility and amenities to improve the comfort, reliability and operational efficiency for transit along the corridor



Alternative Solutions

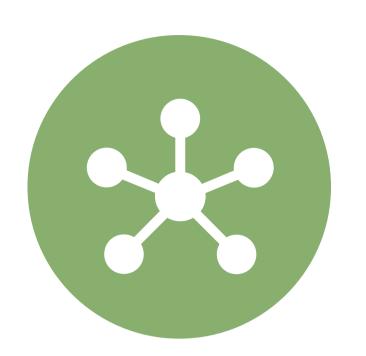


Alternative 1 Do Nothing Maintain existing conditions McNaughton Road W remains unchanged



Alternative 2 Travel Demand Management (TDM)

Apply strategies and policies (such as carpool initiatives) to reduce or redistribute the travel demand around the road network



Alternative 3 Improve Other Roads

Improve roads as per the TMP recommendations and McNaughton Road W remains unchanged



Alternative 4 Localized Intersection and Operational Improvements

Change traffic signal timings and phase, improve the geometry design of intersections, and provide new traffic signals where warranted.



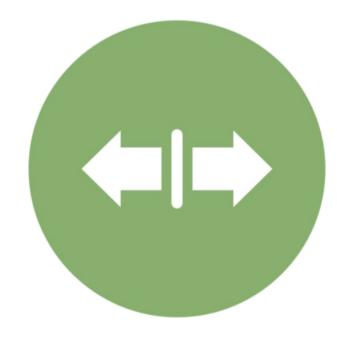
Alternative 5 Urbanize McNaughton Road

Maintain 2 lanes and improve the existing McNaughton Road W to urban arterial standard



Alternative 6 Active Transportation Facilities

Construct new facilities to promote walking and cycling in the study area



Alternative 7 Widen to 4 Lanes

Widening existing McNaughton Road W to four lanes



*A combination of alternatives is also being considered.

Evaluation Criteria



Transportation Service

- Improve Public Transit Service
- Reduce Traffic Congestion and Delays
- Create a Pedestrian-Friendly Environment
- Create a Cyclist-Friendly Environment
- Improve Safety for all Travel Modes
- Improve Mode Choice
- Accommodate Emergency Services



Social Environment

- Minimize Impacts on Existing Residential, Institutional and Recreational Dwellings / Properties
- Minimize Access Impacts
- Minimize Traffic Noise
- Preserve Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Features
- Improve Visual Aesthetics



Infrastructure Design and Economic Environment

- Minimize Utility Relocation
- Minimize Impacts and Improve Access to Businesses
- Minimize Property Acquisition
- Maximize Construction Value
- Minimize Operating Costs
- Minimize Disruption due to Construction



Natural Environment

- Protect Designated Areas
- Protect Vegetation
- Protect Wildlife
- Protect Aquatic Habitat
- Improve Air Quality
- Protect Surface Water and Ground Water
- Minimize Effects on Climate Change
- Minimize Flooding and Erosion and Protect Slope Stability



Evaluation of Alternatives and Preferred Solution

The preferred solution proposed to be carried forward is a combination of Alternatives 2, 4, 5, and 6.

The preferred solution aims to encourage mode shift and accommodate future traffic growth with minimal property and environmental impacts.

Legend						
	Supports project outcomes					
	Somewhat supports project outcomes					
	Does not support project outcomes					

	Alternative 1 Do Nothing	Alternative 2 Travel Demand Management (TDM)	Alternative 3 Improve Other Roads	Alternative 4 Localized Intersection and Operational Improvements	Alternative 5 Urbanize McNaughton Road	Alternative 6 Active Transportation Facilities	Alternative 7 Widen to 4 Lanes
Transportation Service		0			+	+	
Social Environment		+			+	+	
Infrastructure Design and Economic Environment		-			+		
Natural Environment		+		0	+		
Summary	Not preferred	Preferred	Not preferred	Preferred	Preferred	Preferred	Not preferred



Preferred Solution

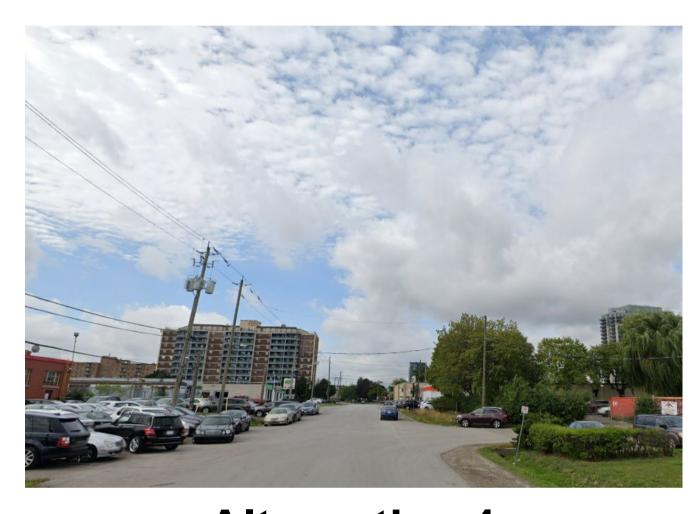
The preferred solution is to be carried forward to the next phase of the EA for the development of alternative design options. A summary of the potential road cross-section improvements in the preferred solution is shown in the figure below. Placement of elements within the cross-section will be reviewed and assessed in the next stage of the study.



Alternative 2
Travel Demand Management



Alternative 5
Urbanize McNaughton Road
West and Maintain Two Lanes



Alternative 4
Localized Intersection and
Operational Improvements



Alternative 6
Active Transportation Improvements



*Note: Placement of elements within the cross-section (including street trees, active transportation facility types, light / hydro poles, vehicle lanes, etc.) will be reviewed and assessed in the next stage of the study in Phase 3 – Alternative Design Concepts



Technical Studies



Noise Impact Assessment



Socio-Economic Environment



Topographical Survey



Transportation and Traffic Analysis



Contamination
Overview Study



Safety Assessment



Natural Environment Assessment



Hydro-Geological Investigations



Stormwater Management



Archaeological Assessment



Geotechnical Investigations



Fluvial Geomorphology



Next Steps



Review public feedback



Confirm the Preferred Solution based on the feedback received from the public and stakeholders



Identify alternative design concepts for preferred solution

Your input is very valuable to us!



Please fill out the online feedback form or provide your comments via email or phone by July 28, 2023



How to Stay in Touch

Contact our team anytime to provide comments or ask questions:

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City of Vaughan – McNaughton Road West (Major Mackenzie Drive to Falvo Street) Class EA

Public Information Centre 1 (PIC 1) Survey

The City of Vaughan is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for improvements to McNaughton Road West between Major Mackenzie Drive and Falvo Street. The study will assess operational performance improvements and urbanization of McNaughton Road West, considering the inclusion of sidewalks, cycling facilities, and mid-block and trail crossings to support the connection to the proposed Vaughan Super Trail and Bartley Smith Greenway Trail. These improvements will aim to address capacity and operational needs to accommodate planned growth in the area for pedestrians, cyclists, transit users and motorists.

We need your input!

Please attend the virtual meeting on June 27 at 7 pm (or review the recording), or review the PIC display materials and take the time to fill out our survey – it should take you about 10 minutes.

This survey will help us understand your thoughts on the recommendations¹. For questions or comments, please contact us below or visit the study website:

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Thank you!

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General Questions

1. What is your home postal code?

<u>Ex</u>	<u>isting Conditions</u>
2.	Are there any additional Existing Conditions we should consider from what was shared? Tell us below or otherwise leave blank.
<u>Ev</u>	aluation Criteria
3.	Are there any additional Evaluation Criteria we should consider from the list we shared? Tell us below or otherwise leave blank.
<u>Al</u>	ternative Solutions
4.	Besides the seven (7) Alternative Solutions we evaluated, are there any other alternative solutions we should consider?
	□ Yes □ No
Cc	omments:
5.	Do you agree with the recommended preferred solution, which consists of a combination of Alternative 2 (travel demand management), Alternative 4 (localized intersection and operational improvements), Alternative 5 (urbanize McNaughton Road West and maintain two lanes), and Alternative 6 (active transportation improvements)?
	□ Yes □ No
С	omments:





General Comments

Please share any additional comments you r Study:	may have related to the McNaughton Roa	ad West EA
Study.		
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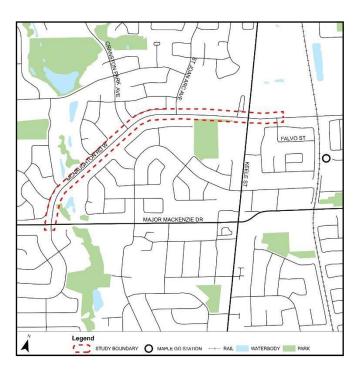


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From: Zhang, Brittany

Cc: Esedebe, Hilda; Mascarenhas, Michelle; Muzaffar, Jamshaid

Bcc:

Subject: City of Vaughan - McNaughton Road West Environmental Assessment - Online Public Information Centre

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2023 6:00:31 PM

Attachments: Notice of Public Information Centre 1- McNaughton Road W EA.pdf

Hello,

The City of Vaughan is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for improvements to McNaughton Road West between Major Mackenzie Drive and Falvo Street.

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!

The first Public Information Centre is being held for you to learn more about the City's study, review findings to date and provide input on the proposed improvements. Details are as follows:

Live Virtual Meeting

Date: Tuesday, June 27Time: 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

• Registration: Please email <u>Brittany.Zhang@hdrinc.com</u>

For those who can't attend, a recording of the meeting and presentation materials will be available for review on the study website at <u>vaughan.ca/McNaughton</u> by Tuesday, July 4.

Citizens are encouraged to complete a Feedback Form which will be available at vaughtan.ca/McNaughton for your comments from June 27 to July 28, 2023.

For more information please see the attached notice.

Regards,

Brittany Zhang, (she/her)

Transportation Planner

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Future Improvements to McNaughton Road West

Join a virtual meeting on June 27 to provide input

VAUGHAN, ON (June 13, 2023) – Improvements are being proposed for McNaughton Road West – and you can help inform them! Through a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study, the City of Vaughan is assessing potential improvements to McNaughton Road West between Major Mackenzie Drive and Falvo Street – which could include adding sidewalks, cycling facilities, trail connections, intersection improvements and more.

What improvements would you like to see on McNaughton Road West? Here's how you can have your say:

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Registration: Online at <u>vaughan.ca/McNaughton</u>

Review the plans online

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CANADA'S WONDERLAND'S TUNDRA TWISTER IS TOPSY TURVY FUN

RIDE BUILT BY SAME MANUFACTURER AS SHOCKWAVE WINDSEEKER AND CYCLONE

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Thrill seekers rejoice. Canada's Wonderland has unleashed the power of the Tundra Twister.

A giant spinning swing ride with gondola arms that will have customers topsy-turvy. The ride, next to the Yukon Striker, spins 360 degrees and 47 (154 feet) metres high, allowing for a great view of the park.

"It is by ride's manufacturer, Mondial. It's a Dutch rides manufacturer we have worked with before. They've done a few of our rides; WindSocker, Cyclone, and Shockwave. And if you know, those rides, the theme is spinning." said Grace Peacock, director of communications for Canada's Wonderland.

In addition to being flipped in the air, the gondola seats also spin spontaneously, according to Pea-

"So depending on the weight distribution, the way the pendulum swings and the interaction with



Steve Somewille/Metroland

The Tundra Twister ride at Canada's Wonderland was unveiled. Legs dangle as it twists and twirl and tumbles through the air.

gravity, guests could get a different ride experience every time they're on," she added.

Local Youtuber Tyler Cocci, who documents amusement park ride experiences in North America. was there to give his per-

"So at first when I saw it, I thought it was going to look like Shockwave, which is another ride actually by the same manufacturer in the park. And I was a little bit concerned in the sense that they would be similar, but this one is quite different. It's less in-

tense in a sense, whereas it's more of a fun family ride. It does go slower," said

The ride might be more relaxing than some might think. However, for most people, that might be enough of an adrenaline

"It's still a very thrilling ride for most people. But in terms of in comparison to some of the other rides of the park, it's definitely a lot more smooth and a little bit. slower while still giving that hang time and extremely thrilling moments on it," added Cocci.





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Community Centre TVs - 1920x1080

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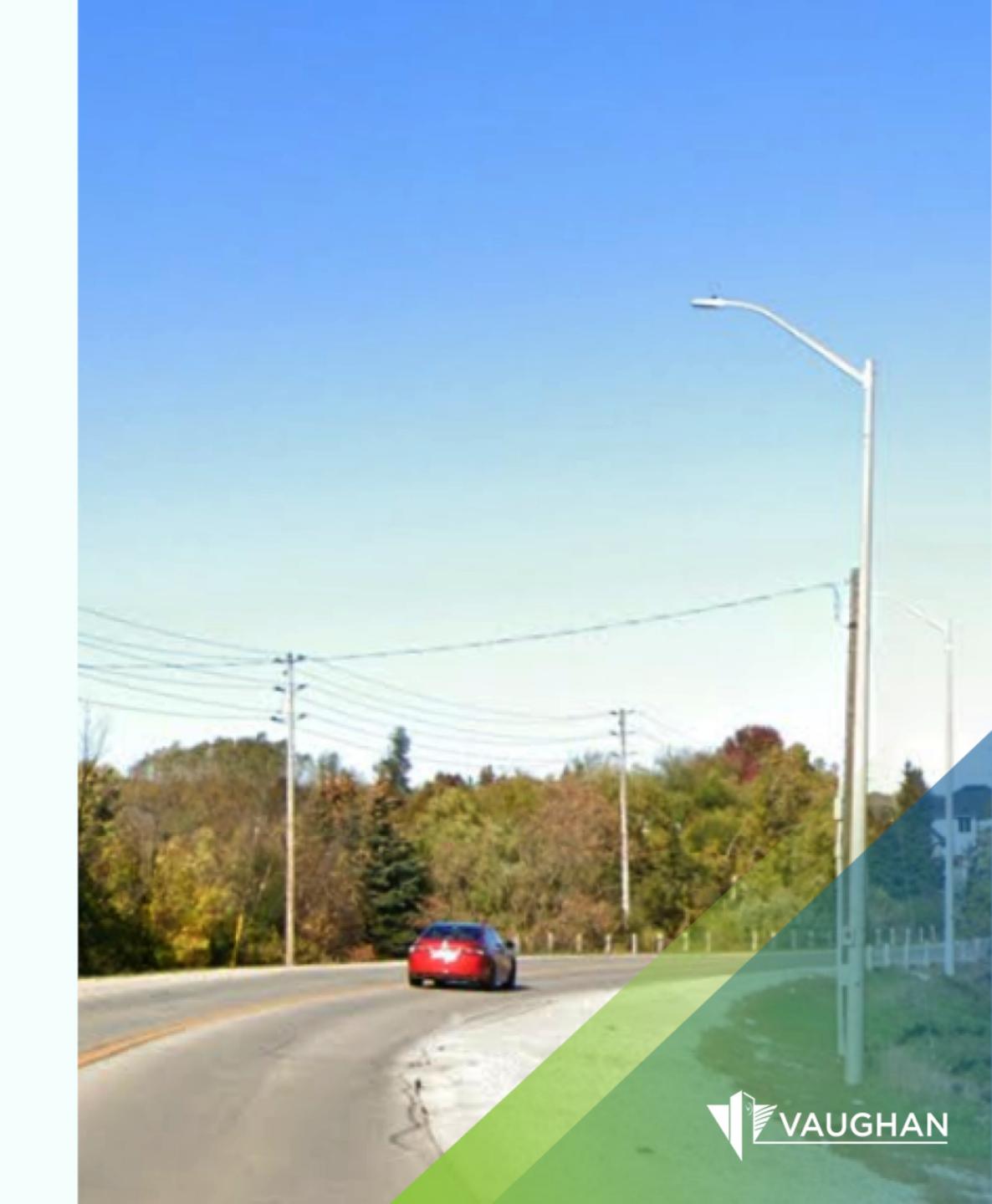
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June 23, 2023

Dear Chief Kelly LaRocca of Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation,

Reference: Notice of Public Information Centre 1 – McNaughton Road West from Major Mackenzie Drive to Falvo Street: Municipal Class Environmental Assessment, City of Vaughan

The City of Vaughan (City) is undertaking a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) study for improvements to the McNaughton Road corridor between Major Mackenzie Drive and Falvo Street. Improvements being considered include adding boulevards and streetscaping, pedestrian and cycling facilities, trail connections to the proposed Vaughan Super Trail / Bartley Smith Greenway, and operational performance improvements for all modes of transportation. These improvements will address the capacity and operational needs to accommodate planned growth in the area for pedestrians, cyclists, transit users and motorists.

As part of this Class EA study, a virtual Public Information Centre (PIC) is being held to share information about the study, review the findings to date, and gather input on the recommended solutions. As a component of the PIC, a live virtual meeting is taking place on **Tuesday**, **June 27** from **7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** To register, please visit the study website at **vaughan.ca/McNaughton**. If unable to attend, a recording of the meeting and presentation materials will be available for review on the study website by Tuesday, July 4. Also, part of the PIC is an online feedback form which will be available on the study website from **Tuesday June 27 to Friday**, **July 28, 2023**, for your review and comment. Please see the attached Notice of Public Information Centre for more information.

Additionally, the draft Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report has been completed for this study and can be accessed through this <u>link</u> for review. There is an Executive Summary on pages 2 and 3. For your convenience, we are highlighting that parts of the study area exhibit archaeological potential and are recommended for Stage 2 assessment by test pit survey. Please forward any comments to the City Project Manager by **July 21, 2023.**

The City of Vaughan believes that consultation with Indigenous communities is an integral part of the Municipal Class EA process, and as such we would like to gather your perspective to improve our understanding of the past, present and future of the study area. We invite you to review the virtual PIC and request your feedback on any of the proposed activities associated with this project as well as on the draft Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report.

If you require additional information and/or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss this project, please do not hesitate to contact the City Project Manager by telephone (905-832-2281, ext. 8484) or by email (Hilda.Esedebe@vaughan.ca).

For more information about the study, we invite you to visit the study website at vaughan.ca/McNaughton.

Regards,

Selma Hubjer, P.Eng.

Director, Infrastructure Planning and Corporate Asset Management City of Vaughan

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Attachments:

Notice of Public Information Centre

Draft Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report (Linked due to file size)

Cc.

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