

## **MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT & PRELIMINARY DESIGN Engineering Services for Kolb Bridge, Town of Saugeen Shores**

### **THE STUDY**

Town of Saugeen Shores has retained the services of Planmac Engineering Inc. to undertake a Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) and Preliminary Design for the Kolb Bridge in the Town of Saugeen Shores. The Kolb Bridge is located on Sideroad 13/14 approximately 350m south of Concession 6 and the location of the structure is shown on the enclosed key map over the page.

### **THE PROCESS**

The Kolb Bridge has been inspected regularly since 2012 to monitor the condition. In 2020, the structure was evaluated of being in fair to poor condition and it was recommended that the bridge be closed by the end of 2020 until there was a decision made regarding its future. The bridge is currently closed pending the completion of a Schedule 'B' Municipal Class EA.

Planmac Engineering Inc. will complete the Municipal Class EA, in accordance with the Municipal Engineers Association document, "Municipal Class Environmental Assessment", October 2000, amended 2007. A variety of alternative solutions will be evaluated to determine the most appropriate option for the structure (i.e. the preferred alternative solution). Consultation with external agencies, Indigenous Communities and the general public is integral in the selection of the preferred alternative solution.

An online Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held in late fall 2021. Depending on the situation with COVID-19, the PIC may be held in-person at a select venue; appropriate measures will be taken during the PIC to ensure protocol with COVID-19 best guidance. The purpose of the PIC will be to present the preliminary preferred solution and alternative solutions evaluated as part of the EA, and to receive input from stakeholders and the general public. Comments will be reviewed by the Project Team and considered as part of the selection of the preferred alternative solution. You will be informed via Notice of the exact date of the PIC and whether it will be held online or in-person.

In completion of the PIC and in selection of the preferred alternative solution, a Project File will be prepared documenting the EA process and consultation undertaken. A Notice of Completion will be sent to stakeholders and property owners in spring 2022 advising of the start of the 30-day public review of the Project File. Pending no Part II Order requests are received, and comments have been appropriately addressed during the 30-day review period, the EA process will be complete, and the project can proceed to Detail Design and implementation.

### **COMMENTS AND INFORMATION**

If you have any comments or questions, please contact one of the Project Team members listed below:

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