



THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT...



Public-Private Partnerships (P3)

The Gordie Howe International Bridge project is being delivered through a public-private partnership (P3) – a cooperative venture between the public (Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority) and the private sector (Bridging North America).

1 PRIVATE-SECTOR EXPERTISE

The private sector's expertise, efficiencies and innovation in delivering large-scale infrastructure projects are utilized.

2 RISK TRANSFER

Risks are appropriately shared between WDBA and Bridging North America. For instance, cost overruns and delays to projects are shifted from the taxpayer to the private sector.

3 ON TIME & ON BUDGET

The P3 model requires the private-sector partner to deliver the project on time and on budget and achieve performance standards during the operations period.

4 PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

While the private-sector partner shares in the financing of the project, the bridge and other project components remain under public ownership.

5 LOCAL INVOLVEMENT

P3s provide the opportunity for local workers, suppliers and companies to be involved in a large-scale infrastructure project and work with international companies.

6 WHOLE LIFE APPROACH

A 'whole life' approach is used in the delivery of the project with the private sector having responsibility for the design and delivery of the project and also the long-term operations and maintenance.

7 COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT PROCESS

WDBA conducted a rigorous, open, fair and transparent procurement process overseen by an independent Fairness Monitor to select Bridging North America as the private-sector partner.

8 RIGHT FOR THIS PROJECT

The value for money analysis demonstrated that the P3 model for this project results in a savings of approximately \$562.8 million or 10.7% as compared to delivery of the project using traditional procurement methods.

9 CANADA IS A P3 LEADER

Canada is a global leader in delivering successful P3s. The Gordie Howe International Bridge project is one of 279 active P3 projects with a combined value of more than \$129 billion underway in Canada today.

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