Gordie Howe International Bridge



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Gordie Howe International Bridge Project





What is Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority?

- A not-for-profit Canadian Crown corporation created in 2012
- Reports to the Canadian Government through the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities
- Manages the procurement process for the design, construction, financing, operation and maintenance of the new bridge through a publicprivate partnership (P3)
- Will oversee the work of the P3 partner and will manage the project agreement and payments



Project Collaboration: Working with Michigan

- MDOT and the Governor's Office are active participants in the planning and in advance of the Gordie Howe International Bridge.
- Michigan's participation in the project is vital and MDOT plays a key role in the delivery of the project which includes supporting WDBA in:
 - US property acquisition
 - US utility relocation
 - Coordinating activities
 - P3 procurement process
 - US stakeholder interactions and community outreach initiatives.
- The Gordie Howe International Bridge will be publicly-owned by the Government of Canada and the State of Michigan.









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Project History and Accomplishments

Timeline)	Activity
2001-04	•	Planning/Need and Feasibility Study
2005-09	•	Coordinated environmental study process completed by Canada and the US Canada determines that the Project will not have significant environmental impact, with mitigation measures US Record of Decision (ROD) obtained
2008-12	•	Canada land acquisition begins Preliminary Canadian and US Port of Entry design and other preparation work begins
2012	•	Canada-Michigan Crossing Agreement signed WDBA incorporated
2013	•	Presidential Permit
2014	•	Board of Directors and President and CEO are appointed for WDBA Members are appointed to the International Authority Board US Coast Guard Bridge Permit received
2015	•	International Authority approves United States land acquisition Selection of key advisor firms to assist with engineering, technical and legal work Selection of fairness monitor to oversee P3 procurement process Crossing officially named Gordie Howe International Bridge Start of Early Works at Canadian Port of Entry begins P3 Procurement process launches with Request for Qualifications
2016	• •	RFQ short-listed respondents were announced Issuance of the RFP to Proponents Business-to-Business meetings held between Proponent teams and potential ontractors in Windsor, Detroit and Walpole Island First Nation
2017	• a(Announcement of multi-use path to be incorporated onto Bridge Community Group-to-Business meetings held between Proponents and community gencies in Windsor and Detroit More than 50 positions filled at WDBA Windsor office

Identified need for an additional crossing option

Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) Study: 2005-2009

- A coordinated environmental study process completed by Canada, the US, Ontario and Michigan confirmed need and the location of five components:
 - Michigan Interchange to Interstate-75 (I-75)
 - 2. A US Port of Entry (POE)
 - 3. A river crossing, now known as the Gordie Howe International Bridge
 - 4. A Canadian Port of Entry
 - 5. An Ontario access road, now known as the Rt. Hon. Herb Gray Parkway (delivered by Ontario)

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Project Components







Consultation and Communication

Public consultation will continue in Canada and the US throughout the project phases. The DRIC study identified many items that require public consultation prior to implementation.

Topics

Aesthetics, Lighting, Visual Effects

Sediment Erosion

Air Quality

Species at Risk/Invasive Species/Wildlife/Migratory Birds

Archaeology

Traffic/Local Roads

Fish/Aquatics

Vegetation/Trees

Infrastructure

Vibration

Noise

Waste/Spills/Excavated Materials

Pedestrians/Bicycling Bridges at Michigan Interchange

Water Quality/Groundwater/Stormwater/Surface Water

When?

Consultation will occur throughout the Design and Build phases of the project

Design Phase

Build Phase





The Procurement Process: Overview

WDBA's procurement process is designed to choose a private-sector partner with the skills, experiences and resources necessary to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Gordie Howe International Bridge project.





The Procurement Process: P3 Milestones

2018 is a pivotal year for the project with several anticipated milestones





Close of RFP Open Period: Proponents submit proposals for evaluation

June 2018



Identification of Preferred Proponent

Summer 2018



Start of advance construction in US

September 2018



Financial close

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Private-Sector Partner Responsibilities

WDBA's private-sector partner will be responsible to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Canadian and US Ports of Entry and the bridge and to design, build and finance the Michigan Interchange. Michigan will be responsible for the operations and maintenance of the Michigan Interchange.











Design

Build

Finance

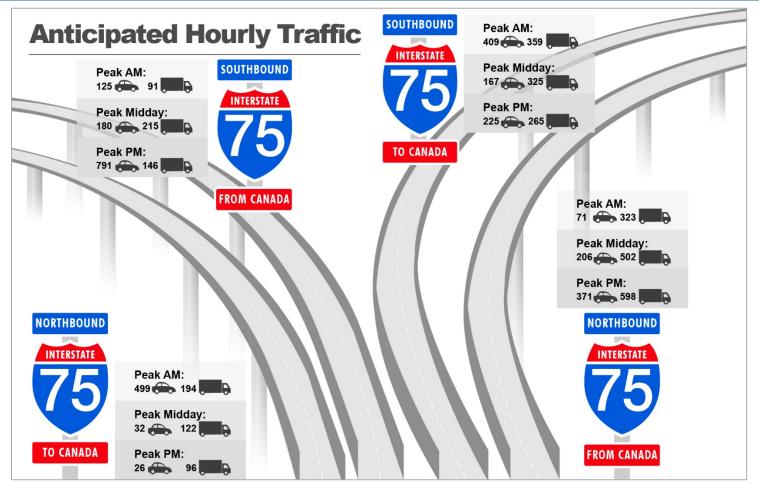
Operate

Maintain

Canada



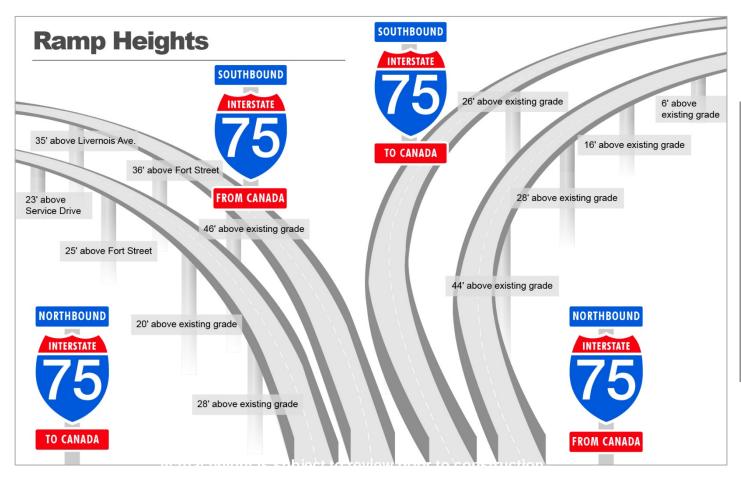
I-75 Traffic Design: Anticipated Hourly Traffic



Anticipated traffic estimates are under review and may be adjusted pending survey results.



View from I-75 Interchange: Ramp Heights

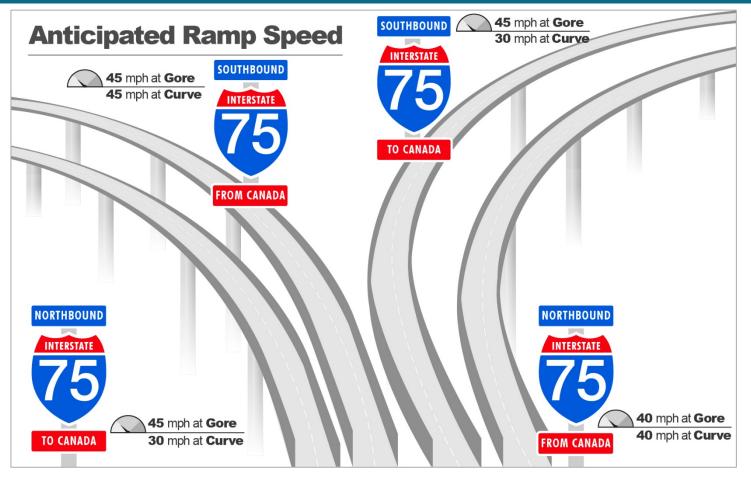


Ramp heights will begin below grade for vehicles exiting I-75 and quickly elevate to a maximum of 44-46 feet above street-level prior to descending to ground level at the Port of Entry.

Actual height is subject to review prior to construction.



I-75 Traffic Design: Anticipated Ramp Speed

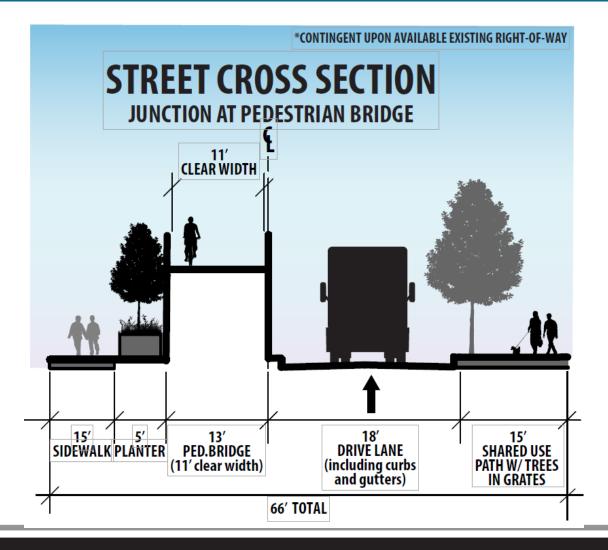


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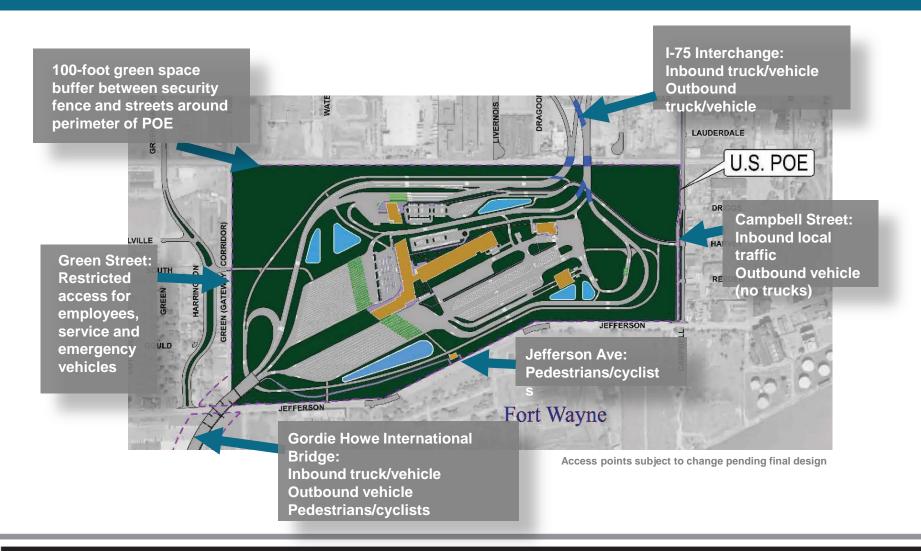
Neighborhood Connectivity







US Traffic Patterns: Anticipated Access Points

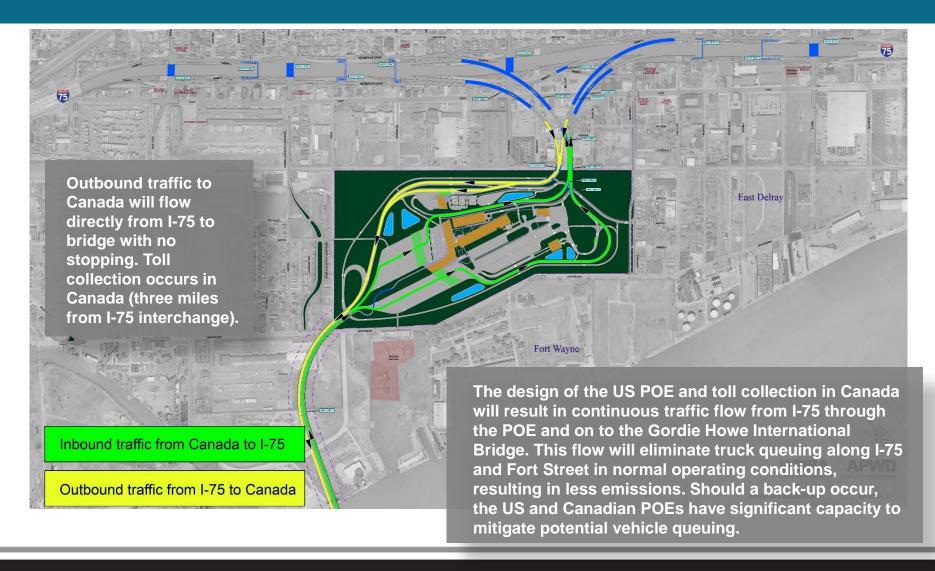






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US Traffic Flow to US POE

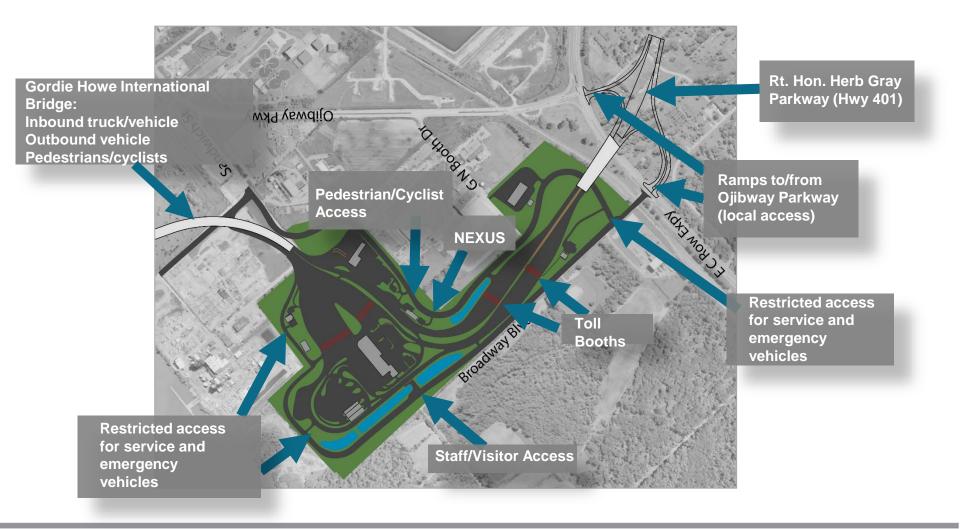


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Canadian Traffic Patterns: Anticipated Access Points







US Works: Property Acquisition

- 636 land parcels are required for the Gordie Howe International Bridge project.
- To date, MDOT has acquired and/or has control of 95 per cent of the required parcels.
- Relocation assistance and support will continue to be provided.
- The condemnation process will be carried out as needed on a parcelby-parcel basis.

Property by the Numbers

636 total land parcels required

211 residential relocations required

36 business relocations required

95 per cent of total property acquired/in control

235 structures demolished or in demolition process as of April 1, 2018





US Works: Demolition

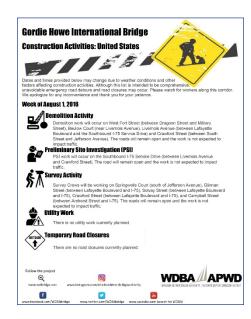
- Demolition is advancing quickly with 236 completed to date.
- Contractors are expected to follow mitigation measures, in accordance with MDOT Standard Specifications, including:
 - Provision of Sanitation Facilities
 - Protection and Restoration of Property
 - Compliance with State, federal and local laws, rules, ordinances
 - Dust Control
 - Sweeping
 - Removing debris or material from traffic lanes





US Works: Utility Relocation

- Utilities located within the US Port of Entry footprint and the land required for the bridge footings require relocation.
- Many utilities are completing the relocation work themselves or through their preferred contractor.
- Private utility relocation work will occur with no anticipated service interruptions.
- All utility relocation work (Permitted Activity) must comply with municipal guidelines and procedures for notifications, hours of work, noise and disposal of materials as outlined in the permitting documents.
- If you have questions or concerns regarding utility work in your neighbourhood, please contact the utility directly.



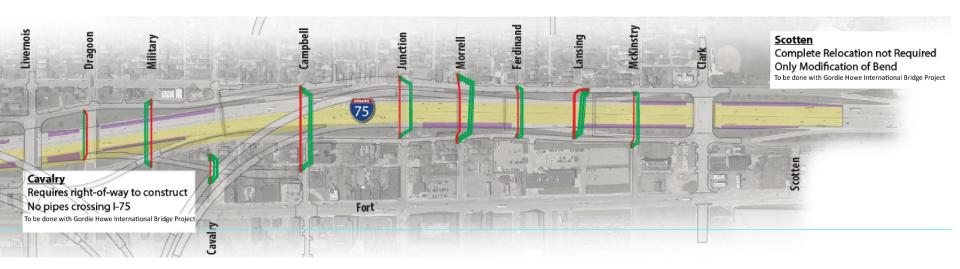
WDBA posts weekly
Construction Notices
online and at various
community locations in
Windsor and Detroit
regarding upcoming
work





US Works: Siphons and Combined Sewers

Several siphons and combined sewer crossings beneath I-75 require relocation and replacement.



The locations of siphons and combined sewer crossings which will have their pipes under I-75 mainline pavement installed as part of the Inlay Project.





US Works: Tree Removal

- Removal of approximately 4000+ trees on properties required for the US Port of Entry footprint are being removed in preparation for construction.
- MDOT has conducted an extensive tree survey and no species at risk (SAR) vegetation has been identified.
- Tree removal will be conducted by a private contractor, Owen Tree Services and by DTE's contractor for trees within 15 feet proximity of utility lines.
- Work began in March and is expected to last 10 weeks. Tree removal will be done as-needed following this time.



Upon completion of the Gordie Howe International Bridge project, the community will benefit from thousands of new native trees and vegetation that will be planted as part of the project's landscape design.



Mitigation Elements: What to Expect

In accordance with commitments made during the Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) study, the following mitigation elements were identified for inclusion during construction of the US components of the Gordie Howe International Bridge:

- 100- ft landscaped buffer to be incorporated in the lands surrounding the perimeter fencing of the Port of Entry.
- Existing trees will be preserved where possible and landscaping will emphasize the incorporation of native species.
- Fence installation surrounding the Port of Entry lands.
- Noise barriers to be installed in locations identified through the DRIC study.
- Port of Entry lighting will minimize impacts to adjacent residents and wildlife.
- Stormwater management facilities will be constructed within the project footprint to ensure adequate site drainage.



The community will continue to have consultation opportunities with the P3 partner during design and construction phases of the Gordie Howe International Bridge project.





Construction Zone Safety

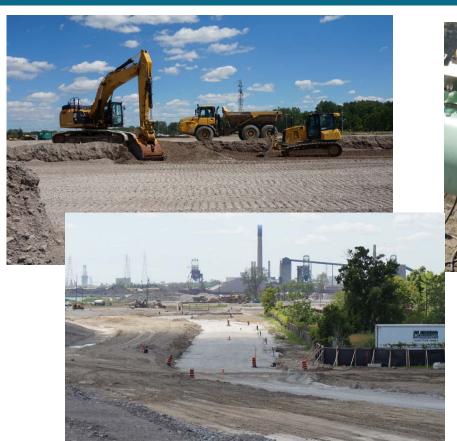
- Construction is underway, and truck drivers, motorists, pedestrians and cyclist alike need to be prepared.
- Construction zones are dangerous places whether workers are present or not.
- Any entry into the construction site is considered trespassing.
- For your safety and the safety of the workers, please do not enter from adjacent sidewalks, parks or neighbourhoods.



Canada



Preparing the Canadian Site







Community Benefits

Canadian and US consultation suggests the following

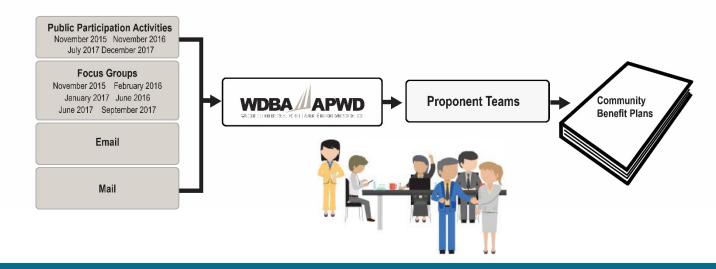
regional priorities:







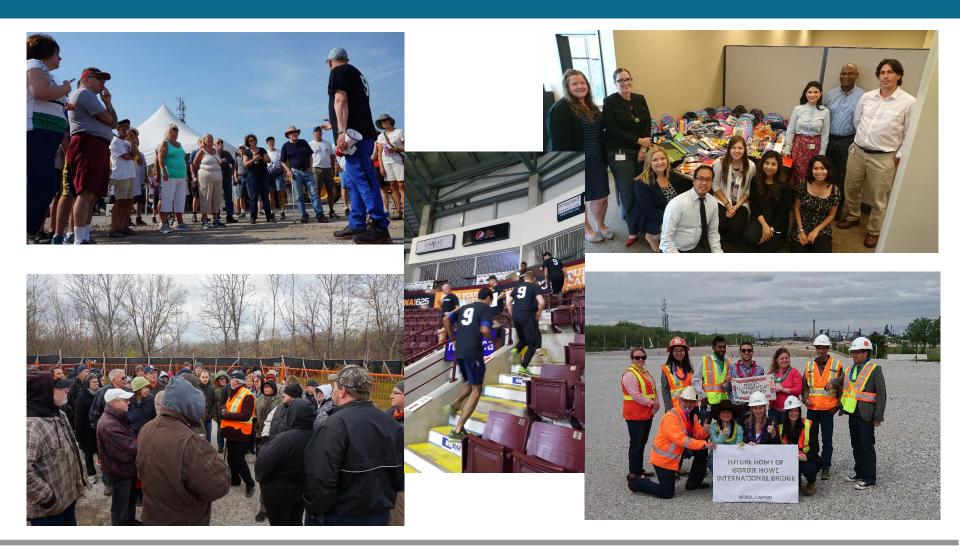
Community Benefits



- Proponents will develop and submit community benefits plans to WDBA as part of the RFP submission.
- The private-sector partner will deliver the plan with oversight from WDBA.



WDBA in the Community







WDBA in the Community











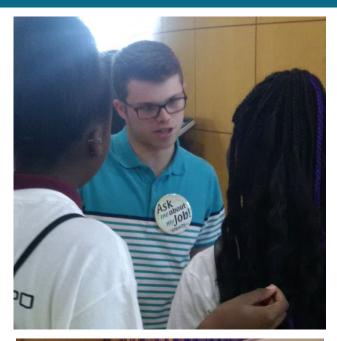




Engaging Youth



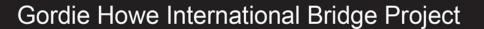
















Preparing for Jobs



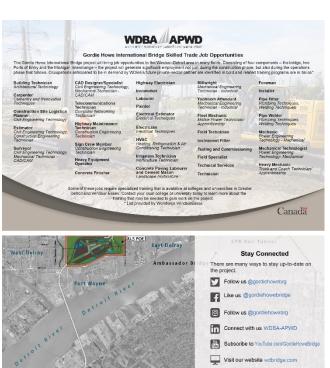
Regional hiring is anticipated for jobs on both sides of the border



Local subcontractors offer the private-sector partner benefits such as proven experience with local labour pools and knowledge of local conditions



A local employment planning council completed a study of jobs most likely in demand for the project: www.workforcewindsoressex.com



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Preparing for Jobs: Construction and Beyond

- Construction jobs will last several years
- Operations jobs will be ongoing and include roles such as landscaping, security, maintenance, etc.
- Both phases will provide opportunities for businesses that supply goods, materials and services for the project

Workforce preparation:

- Security clearances
- Trade certification
- Health and safety awareness/training
- Past experience in similar roles
- References of past jobs/contacts





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