

## Ongoing Engagement

In 2008, a new border transportation system for the Windsor-Detroit gateway was identified through the bi-national Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) study. Its five components included an Ontario access road – the Rt. Hon. Herb Gray Parkway, a Canadian Port of Entry, a river crossing – now known as the Gordie Howe International Bridge, a US Port of Entry, and the Michigan Interchange to Interstate-75 (I-75).

Hundreds of public and stakeholder meetings were held during the study. The input and feedback received at these meetings have informed the Gordie Howe International Bridge project. Through the DRIC study, Canada and the US committed to future communication and consultation with the public, Indigenous Peoples, regulatory agencies and stakeholders on various topics.

The commitments made by both countries are slightly different because they address the unique needs and circumstances of each host community. Commitments made during the DRIC study will be fulfilled by Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA) or the private-sector partner at the appropriate time during the design, build, operation and maintenance of the Gordie Howe International Bridge.

The Canadian and US environmental documents can be found at <a href="https://www.partnershipborderstudy.com">www.partnershipborderstudy.com</a>. Commitments applicable to both countries have also been documented in the Crossing Agreement for the Gordie Howe International Bridge and the *Bridge to Strengthen Trade Act*.

#### Consultation

Ensuring that the residents, business owners and governments of the region are engaged, kept informed and play a role in the planning and delivery of the Gordie Howe International Bridge is not only a top priority for WDBA but a commitment made during the DRIC study. Since 2015, WDBA has held numerous meetings with the community to seek feedback and discuss questions, concerns and topics of interest. The community will continue to have consultation opportunities with the P3 partner during design and construction phases of the project.

#### What do we do with your feedback?

- It informs the implementation of construction mitigation plans.
- It helps us address construction concerns/impacts.
- Helps inform/improve the final design of the Gordie Howe International Bridge.
- We catalogue and track all feedback that is received to ensure answers/responses are provided in a timely manner. Information may be passed along to the design and construction teams.

## **Moving Forward**

WDBA will continue to hold public meetings and, once the private-sector partner is selected, additional public meetings will be held allowing the public to be consulted on design features and construction approaches.

We encourage open dialogue and will work to answer your questions. There are many ways to stay connected with us, see the reverse side on how to stay informed.

# **IN CASE YOU MISSED IT**

WDBA is engaging the community and its stakeholders as it works to build the Gordie Howe International Bridge project. There are many ways to stay connected with us. We encourage open dialogue and will work to answer your questions.











#### **WDBA** Website

Our website, wdbridge.com, is your main source for up-to-date information on construction activities, news, P3 procurement process, employment opportunities and corporate reports.



## Join the Email list

Join our electronic mailing list by visiting our website and receive up-to-date information delivered right to your inbox.



## **Public Inquiries**

Have a question about the project? Not only can you message us through social media, you can call us at 519-946-3038 or email us at info@wdbridge.com.



## **Our Office**

WDBA's office provides a place where you can find information, talk to the team, ask questions and provide feedback. Our offices are located at:

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## Construction Notices

Stay up-to-date on Canadian and US construction activities through our weekly construction notices posted at wdbridge.com.

#### **Kid Construction Zone**

Building a new border crossing is serious work but it is cool too. WDBA's Kid Construction Zone page, available on wdbridge.com, is filled with material about the Gordie Howe International Bridge project that will interest both the young and the young at heart. This page will be updated with more fun as our project progresses so visit often.

