

News Release

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Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority announces a request for tender for Early Works related to construction of the new Canadian inspection plaza

WINDSOR, ONTARIO – The Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA) announced today that it has issued a request for tender for the construction of a perimeter access road, the relocation of utilities and the placement of fill on the site of the Canadian inspection plaza site for the new Gordie Howe International Bridge.

The completion of these Early Works activities is required to prepare the Canadian inspection plaza site for the work to be undertaken by the private-sector partner to be identified through a separate procurement process.

“Over the past ten months, the WDBA Board of Directors has put in place a team of executives, professionals and advisors with the domain expertise required to enable us to launch today’s first construction tender. The Canadian inspection plaza is the key first component of the larger procurement process,” said Mark McQueen, Chairman of the WDBA Board of Directors. “Our team is doing all it can to ensure the new publicly-owned bridge between Windsor, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan is open as soon as possible. The completion of these Early Works activities will help ensure that the project remains on track.”

“The WDBA team has been working closely with the City of Windsor, utility companies and regulatory authorities to bring this tender package to the market,” said Michael Cautillo, President and Chief Executive Officer for the WDBA. “We are pleased to take this significant step toward fulfilling our mandate of delivering the Gordie Howe International Bridge.” The WDBA is committed to a fair, open and transparent process for the selection of contractors. The request for tenders is posted on MERX, the electronic tendering service, and can be viewed at www.merx.com. The contract award is anticipated to be announced in August 2015.

About the Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority

The Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA) is a not-for-profit Canadian Crown corporation created to manage the procurement process for the design, construction, financing, operation and maintenance of the new Gordie Howe International Bridge between Windsor, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan through a public-private partnership (P3). The WDBA is also responsible for project oversight. For more information on WDBA visit www.wdbridge.com and follow WDBA on Twitter at www.twitter.com/wdbabridge.

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