

**NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY**

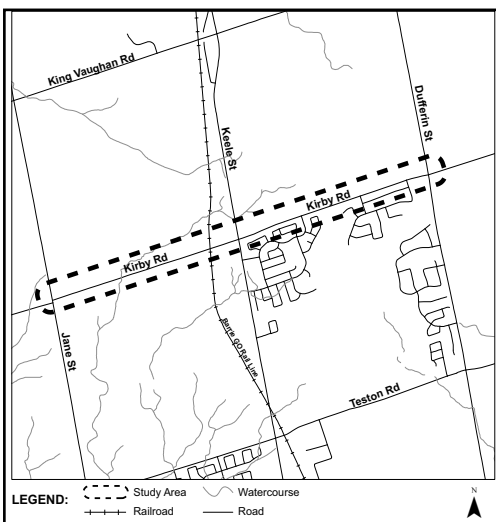
**Kirby Road Widening between Jane Street and Dufferin Street and the Grade Separation of the Barrie Go Rail line at Kirby Road**

**THE STUDY**

The City of Vaughan's North Vaughan and New Communities Transportation Master Plan (2019) recommended widening Kirby Road between Jane Street and Dufferin Street, grade-separation of the Barrie Go Rail line at Kirby Road and jog elimination at the intersection at Kirby Road and Jane Street. These recommendations were made to address capacity and operational improvements identified for Kirby Road and to accommodate planned growth in the City for all roadway users.

**THE PROCESS**

The study completed Phases 1 and 2 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process, identifying improvements to address transportation needs for pedestrians, cyclists, transit users and motorists. Specifically for the Kirby Road corridor, the study recommended widening Kirby Road from two to four lanes between Jane Street and Dufferin Street with active transportation facilities, a grade-separation of the Barrie Go Rail line crossing at Kirby Road and elimination of the existing jog at the intersection at Kirby Road and Jane Street.



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The City of Vaughan has initiated the Class EA Study for the Kirby Road corridor to complete Phases 3 and 4 of the Municipal Class EA process for the above noted improvements. The Class EA study will reconfirm the need and determine the preferred design for the widening, grade-separation and jog elimination for the corridor.

The Class EA study will assess the proposed improvements with consideration of impacts to transportation service and the natural, socio-economic and cultural environments. The Study will be completed in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule 'C' projects, as outlined in the Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Municipal Class EA guidelines (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015). Upon study completion, an Environmental Study Report will be made available for public review and comment. The Class EA will document the study and consultation process and decision-making rationale.

**CONSULTATION**

The City of Vaughan values the voice of its citizens and is dedicated to having a dialogue with the community that is open, transparent, accessible and inclusive. Consultation with citizens is a key component of the study. The City will engage and collaborate with stakeholders to learn, educate and discuss possible ways to improve transportation choices to create a more sustainable and transportation-oriented future.

A Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held to present the study findings to-date, share alternative designs and evaluations, and study recommendations for public review and comment. PIC dates and other details will be advertised closer to consultation dates.

Join the conversation. Visit [vaughan.ca/KirbyWidening](http://vaughan.ca/KirbyWidening) for study updates and opportunities to get involved in the decisions for this project.

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