

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT CENTRE #1
HIGHWAY 417 BRIDGE REHABILITATIONS
FROM WEST OF MAITLAND AVENUE TO EAST OF ISLAND PARK DRIVE
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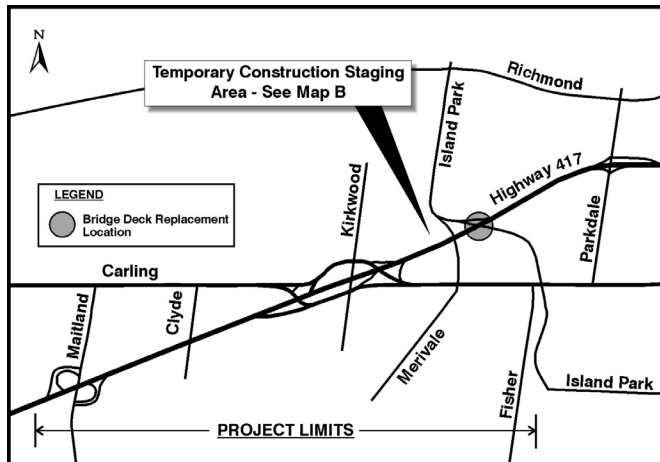
THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation has retained McCormick Rankin Corporation in undertaking the detail design for the rehabilitation of bridges located along Highway 417 from west of Maitland Avenue to east of Island Park Drive, in the City of Ottawa.

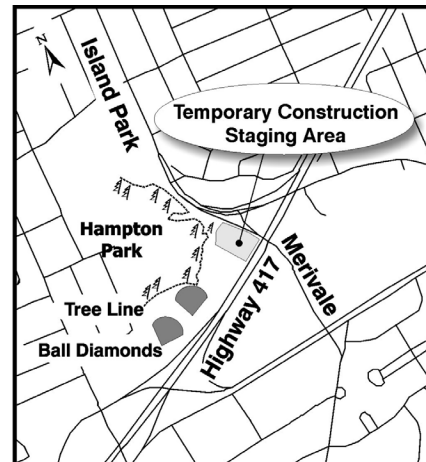
This project will be divided into two separate contracts. Contract No. 1 includes the replacement of the Island Park Drive bridges using rapid replacement technology. Rapid replacement technology is a construction staging technique where a new structure is being constructed in an enclosed area adjacent to the highway/structure. The existing structure will be removed, and the new structure placed using heavy lift equipment. The construction preparation, rapid replacement of the structure and reinstatement of the highway will require the Queensway to be closed approximately 15 hours starting on the Saturday evening of an August long week-end. Associated works for Contract No. 1 include establishing a temporary enclosed construction staging area in Hampton Park, construction of the new bridge decks, removal of the existing bridges, erection of the new bridges, demolition of the existing bridges within the staging area, and site restoration of the staging area to preconstruction condition. This staging area will be used for only one construction season and only for the Island Park Bridges.

Rapid replacement technology will also be utilized for Contract No. 2 for the deck replacement of the Carling Avenue eastbound and westbound bridges, Kirkwood Avenue bridges and Clyde Avenue bridges. Application of this technology was developed, subsequent to the original Preliminary Design Study, to reduce construction staging impacts. These improvements are being addressed in Detail Design and documented in the Design and Construction Report (DCR). Application of this technology will significantly reduce the long-term traffic detours by utilizing one night-time closure of the Queensway for each bridge location.

A Traffic Management Plan will be developed for construction staging, detour, lane closures and emergency response. This Plan is being developed in co-operation with the City of Ottawa, OC Transpo and emergency services and will be documented in the DCR for each Contract. Furthermore, the DCR will address: mitigation measures to minimize impacts to conduct the works for this project; development of a Landscape Plan to protect existing and re-instate impacted vegetation, and mitigation measures for the use of Hampton Park for the enclosed construction staging area for the Island Park Drive bridges. The staging area for this project is consistent with the area outlined in the Preliminary Design Study. This area is located in the grassed area of the Park, west of Merivale Road north of Hwy. 417, as noted in the key map. Potential staging areas for the Carling eastbound, and the Carling westbound and Kirkwood bridges, are proposed between Carling Avenue eastbound and Carling Avenue westbound, north and south of Highway 417. The Clyde Avenue structures will be staged in the Ottawa Maintenance Yard on Clyde Avenue.



KEY MAP - CONTRACT No. 1



**MAP B
 TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION
 STAGING AREA**

THE PROCESS

The overall study is following the approved environmental planning process for Group "B" projects under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000). External and public consultation will take place throughout the project. Upon completion of the study, a Design and Construction Report will be completed for each Contract and filed for a 30-day public review period. A notice will be published in local newspapers at those times.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

A Public Involvement Centre (PIC) for Contract No. 1 is planned to allow the public an opportunity to review and provide comments on the updated existing conditions, the proposed bridge improvement works to be completed, the proposed traffic management plan, and the anticipated environmental effects and proposed mitigation. Information on the Contract 2 construction staging changes will also be presented. Members of the public, residents and local business representatives are encouraged to attend the PIC.

Contract No. 1	
Date:	September 12, 2006
Place:	Travelodge Hotel Greenery Room 1376 Carling Avenue Ottawa, ON
Time:	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We are interested in hearing any comments that you may have about this study. If you are unable to attend the Public Involvement Centre and wish to obtain further information, or to provide comments, please contact:

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Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will be part of the public record.

Project information and updates are also available on the project website: www.417queenswaybridges.ca

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