

Notice of Environmental Project Report Addendum

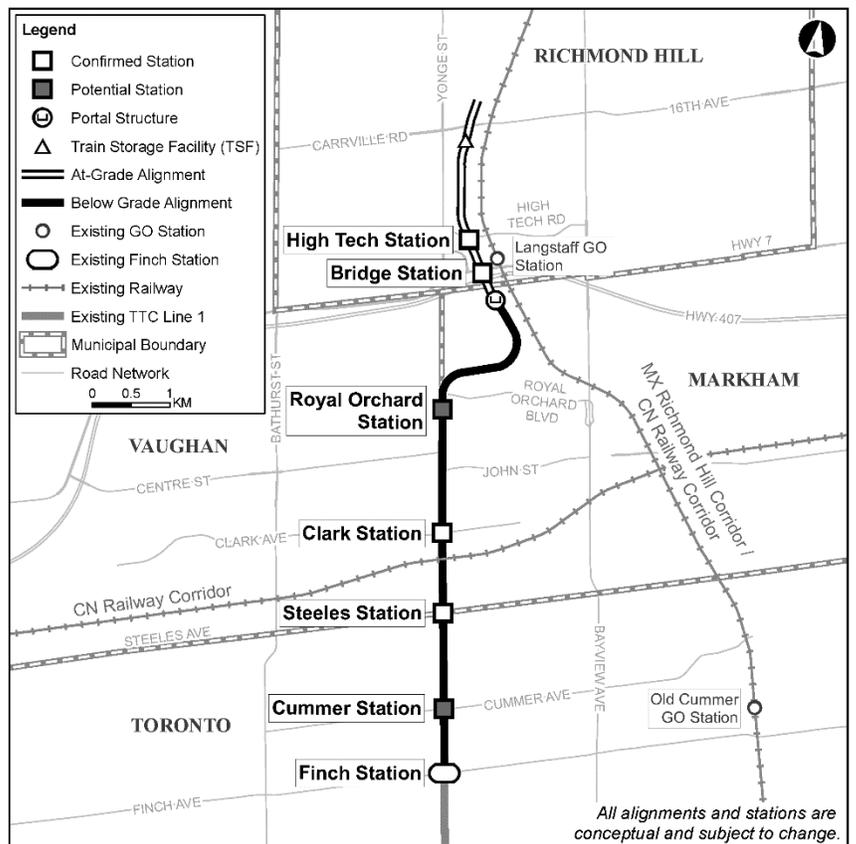
Yonge North Subway Extension Project

The Project

In 2009, York Region, York Region Rapid Transit Corporation, the City of Toronto and the Toronto Transit Commission completed an Environmental Project Report (EPR) for the Yonge Subway Extension under *Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 231/08* to identify potential effects and mitigation measures for a 6.8-kilometre Yonge-University line subway extension from the existing Finch Station to Richmond Hill Centre. An Addendum to the 2009 EPR was undertaken in 2014 to assess design changes that included a train storage facility (TSF) required for subway operations. Since the completion of the 2009 and 2014 studies, additional changes to the Yonge North Subway Extension (the Project) have been identified.

Changes to the Project include an at-grade segment emerging from a portal structure south of Langstaff Road East in the City of Markham to Moonlight Lane in the City of Richmond Hill, travelling along CN's Bala rail corridor; revised number and location of ancillary facilities such as Traction Power Substations and Emergency Exit Buildings; two new stations (Bridge Station and associated bus terminal, and High Tech Station); revised station locations at Steeles Station, potential Royal Orchard Station, and potential Cummer Station; modifications to the existing Finch Station; addition of a bus terminal at Clark Station; revised design and location of the Steeles Station bus terminal; and changes to the location and design of the proposed train storage facility. Changes to the construction method include a tunnel boring machine launch shaft south of Langstaff Road and an extraction shaft at the existing Finch Station. As a result of these changes, the Project will extend approximately 9 km from Finch Station to Moonlight Lane and provide more transit connections.

An EPR Addendum is being undertaken in accordance with Sections 15 and 16 of *O. Reg. 231/08*, amended June 30, 2020, under the *Environmental Assessment Act*, as any change that is inconsistent with a previously approved EPR requires a reassessment of the impacts associated with the change and the measures needed to mitigate any negative impacts that the change may have, and construction or installation has not begun within ten years since the completion of the 2009 EPR. No impacts to the project implementation timeline are anticipated.



The EPR Addendum Review Process

Effective **February 10, 2022** an Addendum to the 2009 EPR is available for review on the Project webpage (MetrolinxEngage.com/YongeSubwayExt).

You can also participate in a series of virtual open houses on MetrolinxEngage.com/YongeSubwayExt where you can hear from project experts and ask questions about the report in real time. Please join us February 17, February 23, March 2 and March 10, 2022, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

Those who wish to provide comments on the EPR Addendum must do so by **March 14, 2022** and address them to the following email: YongeSubwayExt@metrolinx.com or via the online feedback forms available at: www.metrolinxengage.com/en/yonge-north-subway-extension.

Section 15 of *O. Reg. 231/08*, as amended June 30, 2020, requires Metrolinx to establish an issues resolution process to attempt to resolve any concerns raised by the public or Indigenous communities during the review period. At the end of the review period, Metrolinx will update the EPR Addendum by adding a description of the issues resolution process, what Metrolinx did to address any concerns, and if the Project timeline will be impacted as a result of addressing concerns. Metrolinx will then publish the updated EPR Addendum on the Project webpage: MetrolinxEngage.com/YongeSubwayExt and issue a Notice of Updated EPR Addendum.

Within 35 days after receipt of the Notice of Updated EPR Addendum, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks may issue a notice to Metrolinx allowing the changes to the YNSE Project in accordance with the updated EPR Addendum, subject to conditions set out in the Minister's notice. The Minister may also inform Metrolinx that no notice will be issued.

The Minister may issue a notice only if:

- the Minister is of the opinion that the way in which Metrolinx addressed a concern raised in the issues resolution process would cause unreasonable delay to the implementation of the Project, and the conditions in the Minister's notice modify the way in which the concern is addressed in the updated EPR Addendum without causing unreasonable delay to the implementation of the Project; or
- the Minister is of the opinion that the change may have an adverse impact on the existing Aboriginal or treaty rights of the Aboriginal peoples of Canada, and the conditions may prevent, mitigate or remedy the adverse impact.

All personal information included in a submission – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, maintained and disclosed by Metrolinx for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of O.Reg. 231/08, as amended June 30, 2020, under the Environmental Assessment Act or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s. 37 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact YongeSubwayExt@metrolinx.com or 416-202-7000.

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