

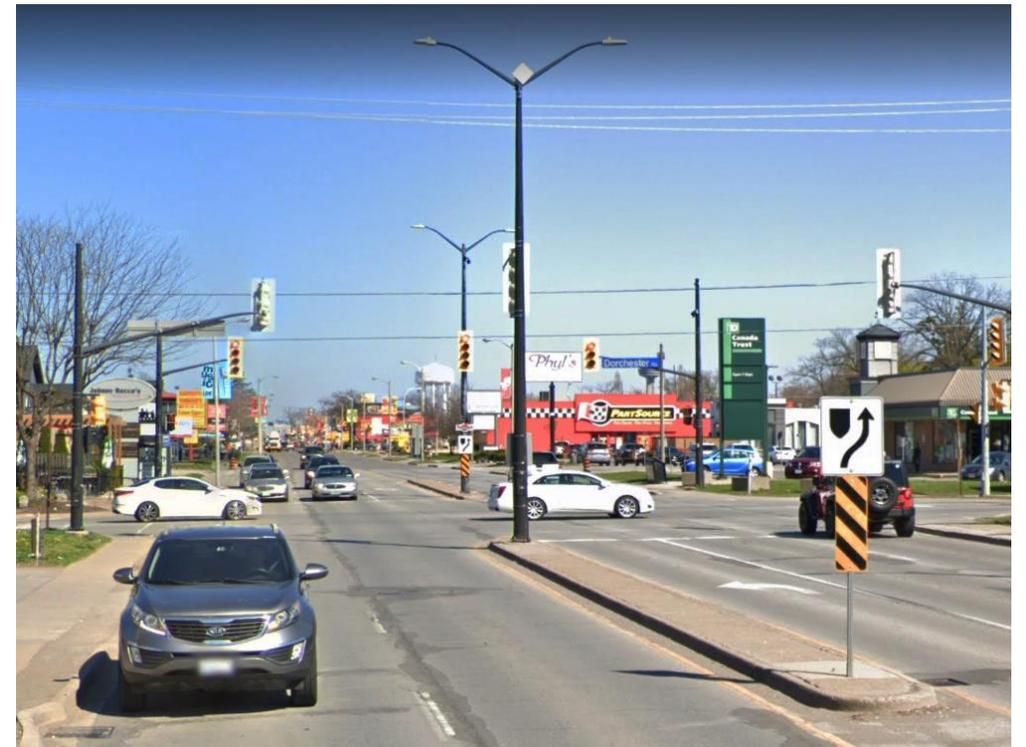


Public Information Centre #1

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study for Lundy's Lane in the City of Niagara Falls

April 20, 2022

- Live presentation begins at 6 PM
- PIC continues to 7:30 PM



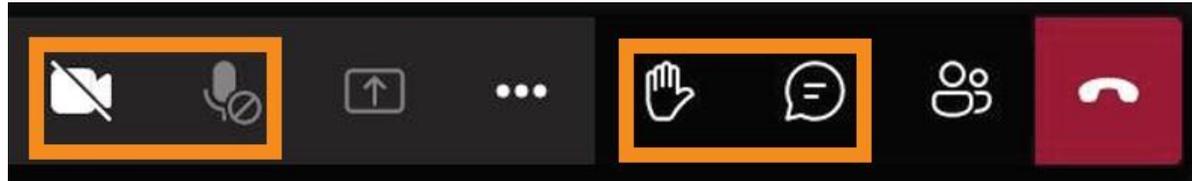
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- When joining the online meeting, we request you to please turn off your camera and mute the microphone.
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- In case you would like to submit your feedback later, the presentation materials and an online comment form are available on the [project webpage \(https://niagararegion.ca/projects/lundys-lane/default.aspx\)](https://niagararegion.ca/projects/lundys-lane/default.aspx).

Introductions

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Purpose of the PIC

- Introduce the Class Environmental Assessment Study
- Present the Problem/Opportunity Statement
- Receive feedback on the P/O statement
- Address previously received questions/comments
- Receive information/input and address any additional questions/comments

Study Area Map



Figure 1: Study Area Map

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Overview of Municipal Class EA Process & Timeline

PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4	PHASE 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Notice of study commencement ▪ Problem or opportunity statement ▪ Public Information Centre #1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inventory natural, social and economic existing conditions ▪ Identify and evaluate alternative solutions ▪ Identify preferred solution ▪ Public Information Centre #2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inventory natural, social and economic existing conditions ▪ Identify and evaluate alternative design concepts for preferred solution ▪ Identify preferred design concept ▪ Public Information Centre #3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Document Study process and findings in Environmental Study Report (ESR) ▪ Issue Notice of Study Completion ▪ Place ESR on public record for a minimum of 30-day review period 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proceed to the detailed design and construction of the project ▪ Monitor environmental provisions and commitments
Fall 2021/Winter 2022	Winter 2022	Spring 2022	Summer 2022	TBD

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Problem/Opportunity Statement

The study area includes Regional Road 20 (Lundy's Lane) from Regional Road 98 (Montrose Road) to Highland Avenue in the City of Niagara Falls, approximately 1.7 kilometers. It is a four-lane road that is often heavily populated with traffic associated with the tourism industry, as many attractions, restaurants and retail stores are located along Lundy's Lane. Lundy's Lane is vital to the Niagara Falls tourism industry, and it is imperative that it remains a safe and effective route now and in the future. The Class EA Study for Lundy's Lane presents an opportunity to explore options to improve the operational conditions of the right-of-way to provide safe and efficient movement of traffic and access management, implement a complete streets design, and enhance the overall appearance of the right-of-way with streetscaping.

Progress on Technical Investigations and Consultation

Technical Investigations Underway:

- Topographic survey of Study Area
- Cultural/Heritage Assessment
- Archaeological Assessment
- Traffic Impact Study
- Geotechnical Investigation

Technical Investigations to be finalized following confirmation of Preferred Design:

- Environmental Impact Assessment
- Noise Impact Assessment

Consultation:

- Publication of study notices in local newspapers, posting on Niagara Region's website and social media accounts
- Email circulation of notices to the Indigenous Nations, Agencies and Stakeholders
- Meetings with local area municipalities, Ministry of Transportation and utility companies
- Meetings with government agencies
- Engagement with the Indigenous Nations (reports shared for review, invitations extended to participate in the fieldwork)
- Meeting with Lundy's Lane Business Improvement Association
- Engagement with local residents and businesses

Preliminary Information from Traffic Impact Study

Findings

- Localized congestion at study area intersections during weekday peak periods (Montrose Road and Dorchester Road)
- Current peak volume traffic slightly exceeds existing arterial lane capacity
- 2041 volumes will modestly exceed existing lane capacity
- Localized measures will be required at intersections to address capacity deficiencies (Montrose Road and Dorchester Road)
- Separation of left-turning traffic is highly desirable

Next Steps

- Provide recommendations to address access to the commercial driveways
- Detailed review of collisions
- Determine if a two-way left turn lane can be supported

Your Input

On the comment sheet or during the PIC, please provide your input on the following:

Problems on Lundy's Lane:

- In the study area
- Problems the study area creates elsewhere

What is the Purpose of Lundy's Lane in the Study Area?

- Move through traffic as fast and effectively as possible?
- Tourism area?

Any other Relevant Information/Input

- Email inquiries@uemconsulting.com

NextSteps



Following this PIC, the Study Team will complete the following:

- Review and consider all comments received
- Finalize Problem/Opportunity Statement
- Design Planning Alternative opportunities to implement complete streets
- Prepare material for the Public Information Centre #2, where we will present Planning Alternatives

Getting Involved In This Study and Next Steps

- Review presentation slides on the virtual consultation platform / project web page.
- Submit any questions, comments or suggestions for consideration using the online comment form on the project webpage or by emailing inquiries@uemconsulting.com
- Request to be added to the Study Contact List to receive Study notices for future points of consultation.
- Visit project website for updates:
<https://niagararegion.ca/projects/lundys-lane/>
- Attend future Public Information Centres

Following the Public Information Centre (PIC), the Study Team will complete the following:

- Develop a PIC Summary to document results of this PIC.
- Initiate studies to collect existing condition information for natural, socio-economic and cultural environment.
- Develop and evaluate alternative solutions to identify a preliminary preferred solution
- Host PIC #2 to present the evaluation of alternatives process and the preliminary preferred solution



Questions?

Your feedback will be important to us. Your comments will be reviewed by the Study Team and considered in the preparation of Preferred Design. To submit questions/comments/suggestions, please use the online comment form available on the [project webpage \(https://niagararegion.ca/projects/lundys-lane/\)](https://niagararegion.ca/projects/lundys-lane/) or contact one of the following Study Team Members:

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