

**NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT
SITE SERVICING OF THE EAST SIDE EMPLOYMENT LANDS
CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY
CITY OF PORT COLBORNE**



THE STUDY

To allow for future industrial park development, the City of Port Colborne is starting a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for site servicing of the East Side Employment Lands (ESEL) Phase 1 area (see map). The ESEL form part of Niagara Region's Niagara Gateway Economic Zone and Centre, which was first identified in the Provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The ESEL have been identified by the City as a priority for investment to enable and support development of these lands. Key components of the EA Study include the provision of municipal water and sanitary sewer systems, stormwater management, and road network improvements.

THE PROCESS

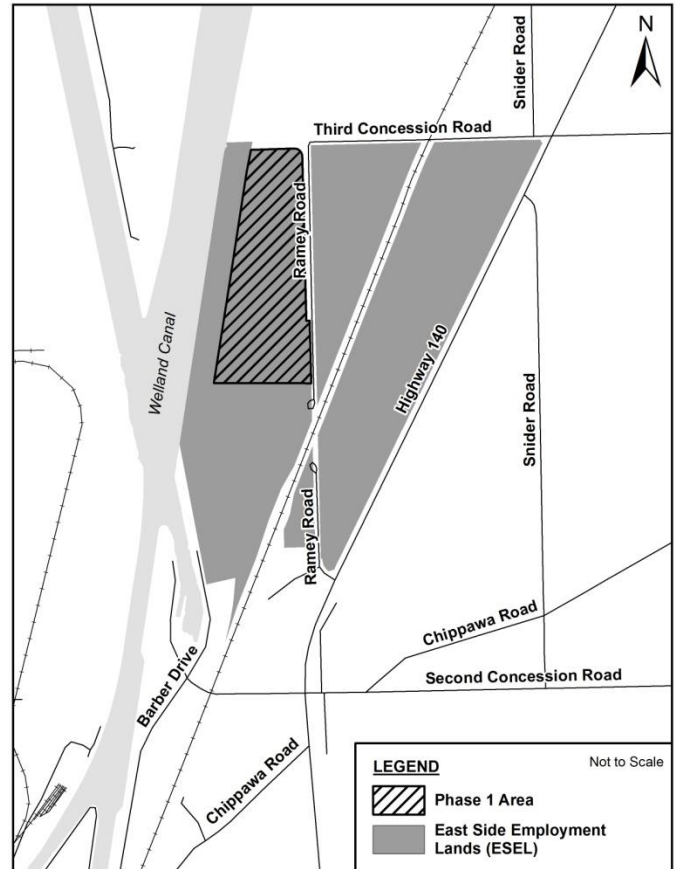
The EA Study will be completed in keeping with the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*, and will follow the Master Planning Process of the Municipal Engineers Association. The Master Plan follows Approach #2 which will fulfill the requirements for Schedule A, A+, and Schedule B projects. The project team will examine a full range of alternatives and improvements and identify a preferred municipal servicing strategy for the ESEL that could be implemented in phases as development proposals come forward.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

The City of Port Colborne wants anyone with an interest in the study to have an opportunity to provide input, which will help the project team in the decision-making process. A Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held in early 2015 to present the problem/opportunity statement and recommended servicing strategy. Advanced notification of the PIC will be advertised on the City of Port Colborne website and in similar newspaper advertisements. Comments from review agencies and members of the public are encouraged now and throughout the study. Information regarding this study will be posted on the City's website as it becomes available (www.portcolborne.ca > City Services > Engineering > Current Studies). In addition, a project email address has been established: SSESEL@portcolborne.ca. Comments and requests to be added to the study mailing list can be sent to the project email address or you can contact:

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Under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Environmental Assessment Act, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this matter and may be released, if requested, to any person.



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