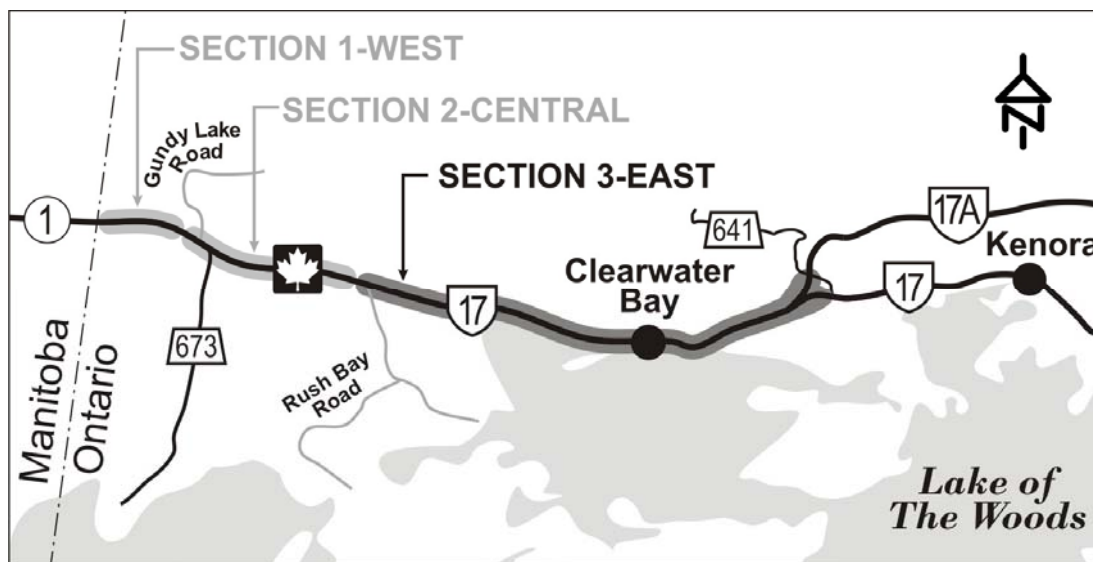


**HIGHWAY 17 FOUR-LANING
PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #3
SATURDAY OCTOBER 2, 2010
Four-Laning between Rush Bay Road and Kenora – Section #3**

ROUTE PLANNING AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY

THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is continuing with a study for the four-laning of Highway 17 within the District of Kenora, as shown in the key plan and described below. The firm of McCormick Rankin Corporation (MRC) is undertaking this study on behalf of MTO.



The purpose of the study for Section 3 (between Rush Bay Road and Kenora) is to identify and protect a preferred corridor for a four-lane divided highway. Route planning and preliminary design is underway with the assessment of route alternatives for Section 3.

The study follows the *Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities* process for Group 'B' projects. A Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) will be prepared for Section 3. A notice will be published when the TESR is completed to explain the public review process and identify the locations where the TESR is available for viewing.

CONSULTATION PROCESS

The third Public Information Centre (PIC) has been arranged to present route alternatives for Section 3 prior to a preferred route being selected. Based on information gathered and comments received at PIC sessions in May and July 2010, the project team has completed an initial screening of route alternatives for Section 3. PIC #3 has been arranged to present these alternatives.

The PIC will be a drop-in style open house session to allow members of the public to review display material and discuss the study with team members. In addition, a brief presentation will take place at 10:00 am, 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm. We encourage you to attend this PIC to provide us with your views and comments so they can be reviewed as the project progresses. The PIC session is scheduled as follows:

- Locations:** Royal Canadian Legion Branch #12
300 McClellan Avenue
Kenora, Ontario
- Times:** 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Dates:** **Saturday, October 2nd, 2010**

If you are unable to attend this PIC or wish to review PIC #3 display material, please visit our project website at www.4lanehighway17kenora.ca for project details.

COMMENTS

If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list, please write or call toll-free:

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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 become part of the public record.

