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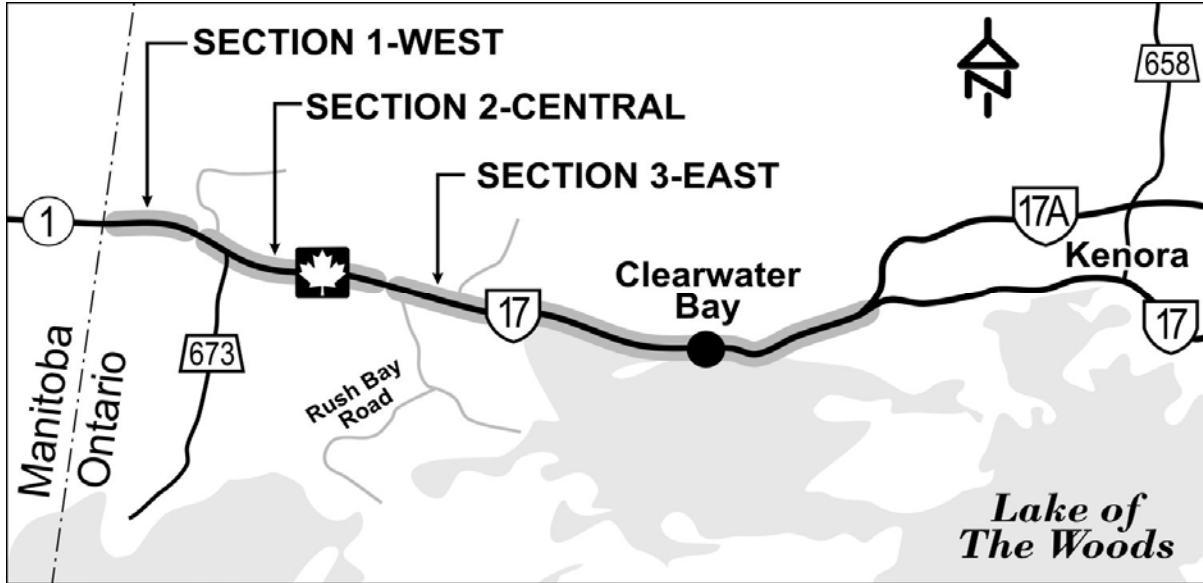
# HIGHWAY 17 FOUR-LANING NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Four-Laning between the Manitoba / Ontario Border and Kenora

## ROUTE PLANNING AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY

### THE STUDY

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has initiated 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) will undertake this project on behalf of MTO.



The study is being carried out to identify and protect a preferred corridor for a four-lane divided highway. The study is comprised of the following three sections:

**Section #1:** Between the Manitoba / Ontario Border and Gundy Lake Road

**Section #2:** Between Gundy Lake Road and Rush Bay Road

**Section #3:** Between Rush Bay Road and Highway 17A

The study will follow the *Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities* process for Group 'B' projects. Transportation Environmental Study Reports (TESRs) will be prepared separately for each section. Notices will be published when each TESR is completed to explain the public review process and identify the locations where the TESR is available for viewing.

### CONSULTATION PROCESS

External agency and public consultation will take place throughout the project to present study findings, including Public Information Centres (PICs). The PICs will provide the public and interest groups an opportunity to discuss the project with members of the project team.

The first PIC has been arranged to provide a study overview for all three sections. The PIC will also include, for Sections 1 and 2, the assessment and evaluation of highway improvement alternatives and the recommended improvements for review and comment. We encourage you to attend this PIC to provide us with your views and comments so they can be addressed as the project progresses. The PIC is scheduled as follows:

<b>Location:</b>	McKenzie Clearwater Fire Hall Junction of Highway 17 West and McConnell Lake Road Clearwater Bay, Ontario
<b>Time:</b>	4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday, July 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2009

### COMMENTS

If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list, please contact:

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Please visit our project website at [www.4lanehighway17kenora.ca](http://www.4lanehighway17kenora.ca) for additional project details.

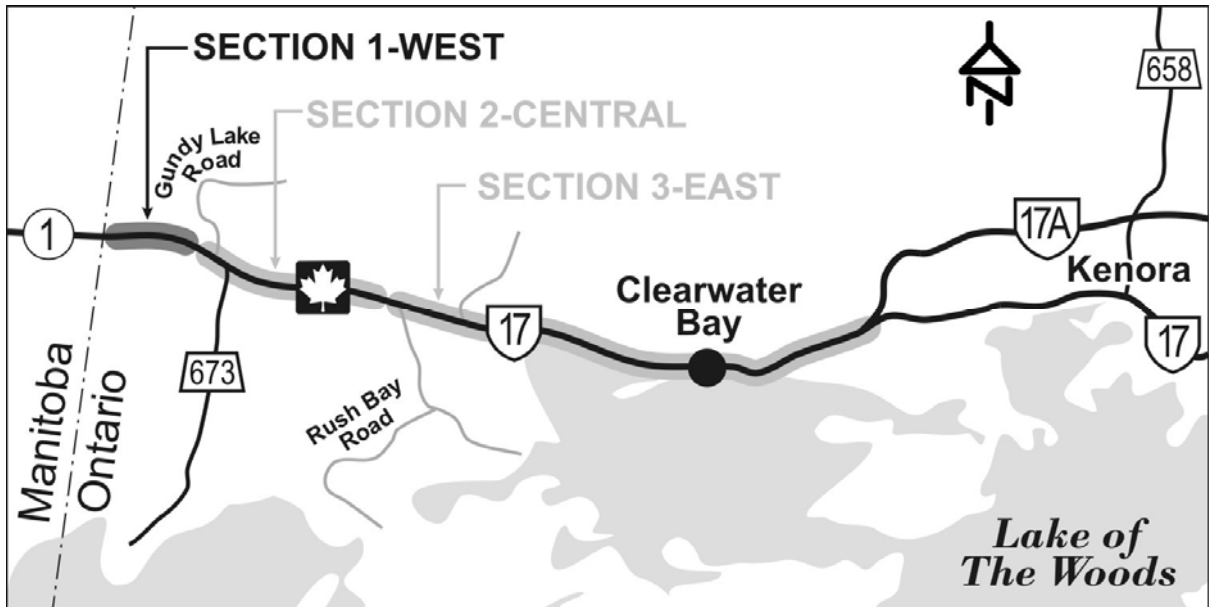
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**NOTICE OF SUBMISSION**  
**TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT**  
**SECTION 1: Between the Manitoba / Ontario Border and Gundy Lake Road**  
**ROUTE PLANNING AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY**  
**Four-Laning between the Manitoba / Ontario Border and Kenora**

**THE STUDY**

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**SECTION 1 - TRANSPORTATION ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT**

The study for Section 1, located between the Manitoba /Ontario border and Gundy Lake Road, has been completed. The study followed the *Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities* process for Group 'B' projects.

The Transportation Environmental Study Report (TESR) for Section 1 has been completed and is available for a 30 day public review period, at the locations listed below:

**Ministry of the Environment**  
Thunder Bay Regional Office, Suite 331  
435 James Street South, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Thunder Bay, Ontario

**The City of Kenora**  
Municipal Office  
1 Main Street S.  
Kenora, Ontario

**The Kenora Public Library –  
Kenora Branch**  
24 Main Street  
Kenora, Ontario

**The Kenora Public Library –  
Keewatin Branch**  
221 Main Street  
Kenora, Ontario

The report will also be available on the study website at [www.4lanehighway17kenora.ca](http://www.4lanehighway17kenora.ca).

Interested persons are encouraged to review this document and provide comments by **December 10, 2009**. If, after consulting with the Ministry's consultants and staff, you have serious unresolved concerns, you have the right to request that the Minister of the Environment (12<sup>th</sup> Floor, 135 St. Clair Avenue West, Toronto, Ontario, M4V 1P5) make a Part II Order (i.e. "bump-up") request for this project, thereby requiring an individual environmental assessment. A copy of the Part II Order (i.e. "bump-up") request should be forwarded to the Ministry of Transportation and McCormick Rankin Corporation at the addresses below. If there are no outstanding concerns after **December 10, 2009**, the project will be considered to have met the requirements of the Class EA and the project will proceed to the Detail Design stage.

**SECTION 2 AND SECTION 3**

A Transportation Environmental Study Report has also been prepared for Section 2, and is available for a 30 day public review period. Please refer to the separate newspaper notice for information regarding Section 2.

The study for Section 3 is currently underway and notices will be published at a later date.

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