

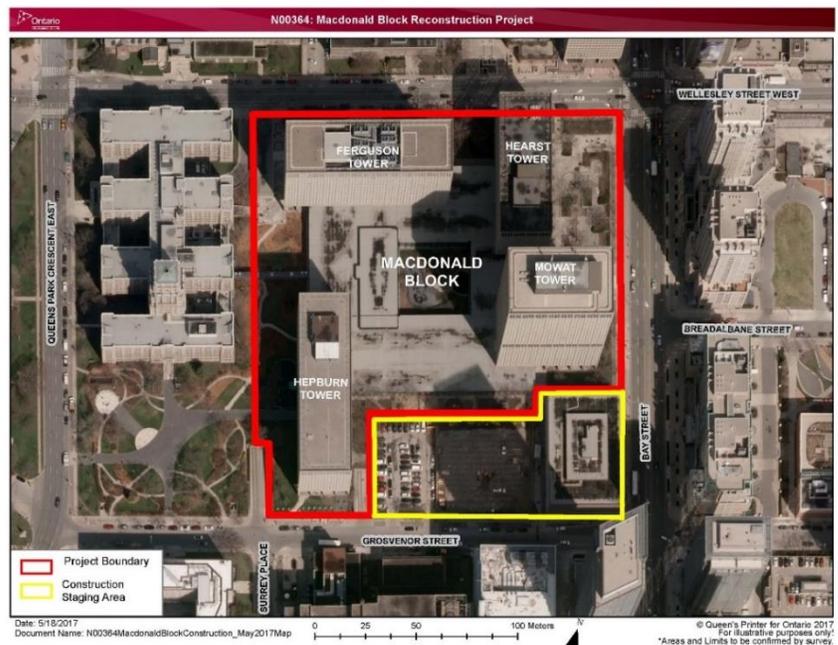
NOTICE OF CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURE PUBLIC WORK CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Macdonald Block Reconstruction Project 900 Bay Street, Toronto

About the Project

The Macdonald Block Reconstruction Project is a long-term initiative that involves the extensive reconstruction of the 45-year-old Macdonald Block Complex. The complex includes the Macdonald Block Podium, the Ferguson Tower, the Hearst Tower, the Mowat Tower, and the Hepburn Tower. The drawing defines the project boundary as well as the construction staging area.



The primary goal of the project is to extend the lifespan and utility of the Macdonald Block Complex by 40 years by reconstructing the building and its systems to a high contemporary standard while preserving and celebrating its heritage character.

The reconstruction project will result in an efficient, accessible and environmentally responsible workplace that will continue to serve as a critical hub of Ontario government operations for years to come. This initiative will also reduce the cost of government operations and help the province meet its greenhouse gas reduction targets. The newly reconstructed building will be required to meet current building, health, safety and accessibility standards, while facilitating a more efficient use of space.

The project will roll out in three phases:

Phase 1 – 2016-2019: Site planning, project procurement and site preparation.

Phase 2 – 2019-2023: Reconstruction of the Macdonald Block Complex.

Phase 3 – 2023-2024: Reconstruction of the Macdonald Block Complex is completed.

Employees will begin to move into the newly reconstructed complex.

Further information about the project is available on the [project webpage](#).

Class Environmental Assessment

Infrastructure Ontario (IO) has commenced studies for a Category B Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) of the project under the Ministry of Infrastructure Public Work Class Environmental Assessment (PW Class EA).

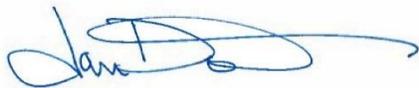
A Class EA is a study that examines the potential environmental effects (positive and negative) of a proposed project, and identifies ways to manage negative environmental effects before the project begins. A key component of the Class EA process includes consulting government agencies and the public. Public consultation provides opportunities for members of the public to contribute to and influence decisions relating to a project.

For this project, input from consulted parties will be incorporated in the Consultation and Documentation Report that will be available for public review and comment.

To enable public discussion on this project, IO will contact some stakeholders directly and conduct at least one open house. A notice for the open house will be issued at a later date and posted on the project webpage. If you would like to be notified directly of this open house please sign up for the project contact list by replying to this notice.

For further information, questions or comments regarding this Class EA, or to be added to the list of parties to be consulted, please use the contact details below. 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. This Notice was issued on June 2, 2017.

Yours Sincerely,



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