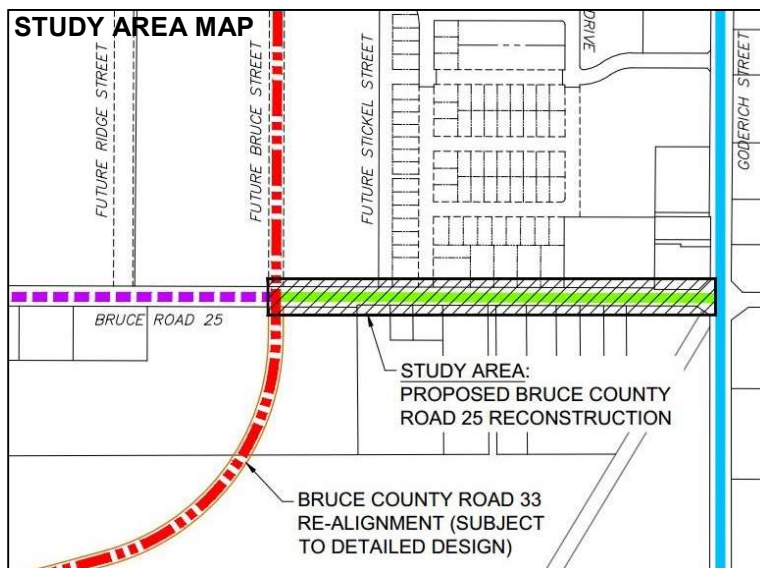


**BRUCE COUNTY ROAD 25 RE-CONSTRUCTION
MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA): SCHEDULE 'B'
NOTICE OF PROJECT INITIATION**

In May 2017, the County of Bruce (County), as the proponent, with the Town of Saugeen Shores (Town), as a principle partner, completed a Master Plan to plan various road and drainage undertakings within a broad area central to Saugeen Shores along Bruce Roads 25 and 33 (BR25 & BR33). The Master Plan identified several projects including the re-construction of BR25 from the Town's planned alignment of Bruce Street (from the north) to Goderich Street, where shown on the Study Area Map provided.

The County has initiated this process, appropriately to plan the re-construction of BR25 as considered in the Master Plan. The project is being planned under Schedule 'B' of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA), as outlined in the MCEA Manual prepared by the Municipal Engineers Association (2015). Alternative solutions that are being considered include the following:



Alternative 1: Do Nothing

Alternative 2: Construct a two-lane urbanized cross section along BR25 (Goderich Street to future Bruce Street)

Alternative 3: Construct a four-lane urbanized cross section along BR25 (Goderich Street to future Bruce Street)

Although the Master Plan considered a 4-lane urban cross section, the background studies completed since then have identified Alternative 2, re-construction of BR25 with a two-lane urbanized cross section between Goderich Street and the future Bruce Street, as the *Preliminary Recommended Solution*.

The Master Plan and the Schedule 'B' Project File (Version 1) for the BR25 re-construction, which includes background reports and provides a review and assessment of the alternatives considered, are available on the County and Town websites and at their offices for viewing purposes.

With the circulation of this *Notice of Project Initiation* and the Project File (Version 1), public, stakeholder, agency and indigenous community comments are invited for incorporation into the planning of this project. Written comments will be received by the Study Team until March 24th, 2020. Contact information is provided below. Upon receipt of comments, the Study Team will update the Project File and re-evaluate a *Recommended Preferred Solution* for consideration by County Council. Subject to the comments received, the verification of the *Preferred Solution* and the receipt of necessary approvals, the County intends to proceed with the planning, design and construction of this project in 2021.

This *Notice of Project Initiation* is advertised in the Shoreline Beacon and is also posted on the County and Town websites, where additional information is provided.

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