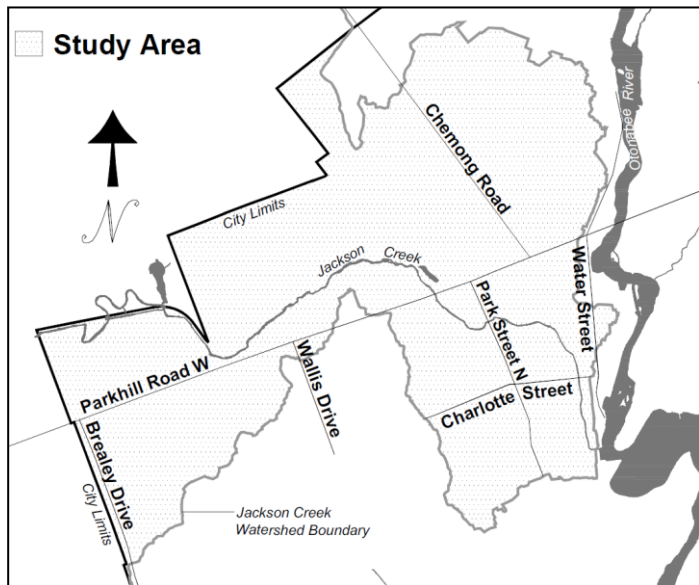


**CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT  
NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT**

**JACKSON CREEK DIVERSION PROJECT  
(CITY OF PETERBOROUGH)**

**THE PROJECT**

Following the July 2004 flood, the City of Peterborough undertook a Flood Reduction Master Plan for the Jackson Creek watershed. The Jackson Creek Flood Reduction Master Plan identified a range of alternative solutions to reduce flooding and flood damages throughout the watershed. A flow diversion to the Otonabee River was determined to be the preferred alternative to mitigate flooding in the downtown area during high flow events. The **Jackson Creek Diversion Project** will examine the different potential alignments and will identify the best type and route for the diversion to connect Jackson Creek to the Otonabee River.



**THE PROCESS**

The Study is being carried out in accordance with the planning and design process for Schedule 'C' projects as outlined in the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Document (October 2000, as amended 2010). Phases 1 and 2 of this document were addressed in the Jackson Creek Flood Reduction Master Plan. The **Jackson Creek Diversion Project** will fulfill the requirements of Phases 3 and 4 and will address alternative designs, their impacts and all mitigating measures. Phases 3 and 4 will be documented in an Environmental Study Report.

One Public Open House is tentatively scheduled for March 2012. The open house will provide an opportunity for agencies and the public to review and comment on the information to date. Notices providing the date, time and location of the Open House will be published in this newspaper prior to the meeting.

**WE WANT YOUR INPUT**

Comments from the public are invited now and throughout the project. Comments and information regarding the study are being collected to assist the Study Team in meeting the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record and may be used in the Environmental Study Report.

Should you have any questions or concerns throughout the study or if you wish to be added to the project mailing list to be notified of upcoming events, please contact the individuals noted below. At the completion of the study, an Environmental Study Report will be prepared to document the study and will be placed on the public record for the 30-day review period.

Information regarding this EA Study will be posted on the City's website as it becomes available ([www.peterborough.ca](http://www.peterborough.ca))

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