



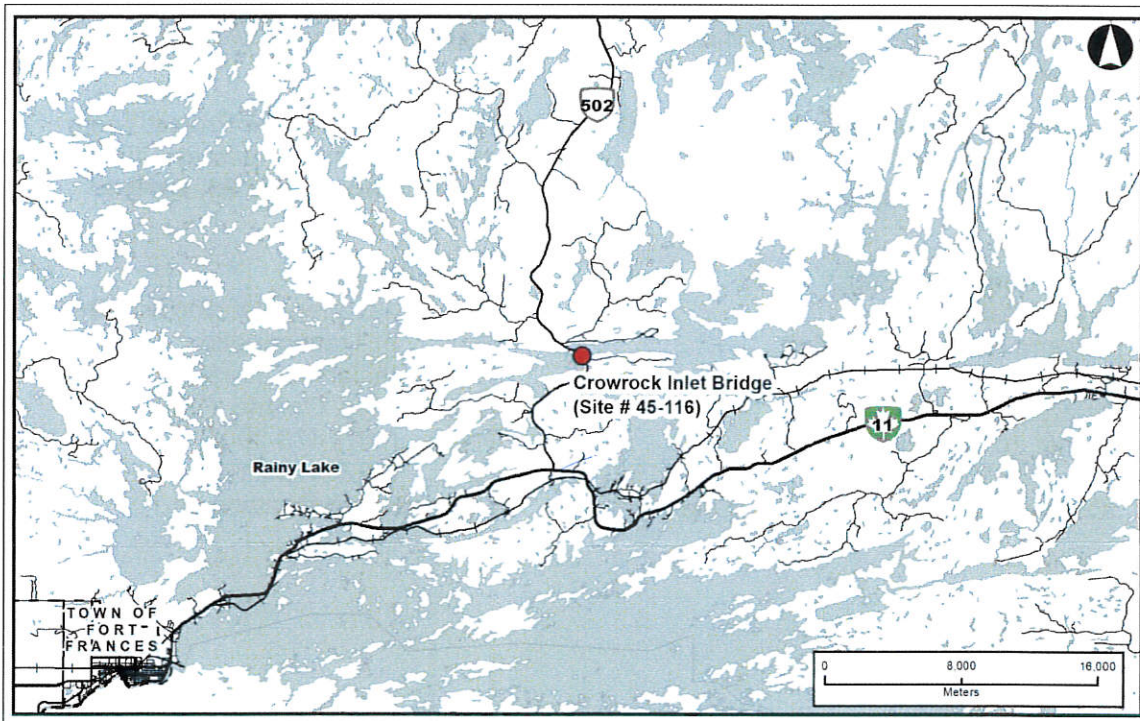
October 21, 2019

Lisa Slomke
Clerk
Town of Fort Frances
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Re: Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for the Rehabilitation of Crowrock Inlet Bridge, District of Rainy River (G.W.P. 6572-16-00)

Dear Lisa Slomke:

Morrison Hershfield has been retained by the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to conduct a Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study for the rehabilitation of the Crowrock Inlet Bridge (Site # 45-116) located on Highway 502, 9.1 km north of Highway 11, in the District of Rainy River. A key plan of the study area has been included below.



Key Plan – Crowrock Inlet Bridge (Site # 45-116), District of Rainy River

The project will address the long term rehabilitation needs of this structure. The project is following the approved planning process for a Group 'C' project in accordance with the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000).

The proposed minor rehabilitation work generally will include:

- Bridge deck rehabilitation including replacing expansion joints, waterproofing and asphalt paving.
- Concrete repairs to the deck, soffits, fascia, abutments, wingwalls, and vertical surfaces as required.
- Installation of new guiderail energy attenuation systems at approaches and replace existing rails.
- Provide a fully-paved shoulder on low side of the super-elevated curve.
- Place rip-rap in the northwest corner of the bridge to cover the exposed abutment footing.
- Traffic and construction staging as required to complete the work.

During construction, traffic management measures may include speed reductions, lane restrictions and night work to facilitate construction activities.

Upon project completion the current navigability of vessels under the bridge will remain unchanged. However, the navigable opening width and height may be temporarily reduced during construction. Please contact the Project Team Members below if you have any concerns about potential navigable constraints.

Subject to environmental approvals, construction is anticipated for one construction season with a half-and-half construction staging approach during Spring/Summer 2020, featuring a single lane of bi-directional traffic controlled by temporary traffic signals while the other half of the bridge is rehabilitated. Notice of construction and lane closures will be communicated to the travelling public and local residents through advance construction signage two weeks prior to commencement of project works.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the study. Please contact either Project Team member listed below to indicate whether you or your organization has an interest in the project and if you would like to provide any input at this time. A reply by **November 25, 2019** is appreciated.

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Yours truly,



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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.

If you have any accessibility requirements in order to participate in this project please contact one of the Project Team members list above.

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