

Emma Street to Earl Street Pedestrian Bridge

Schedule B, Environmental Assessment Results

City of Guelph

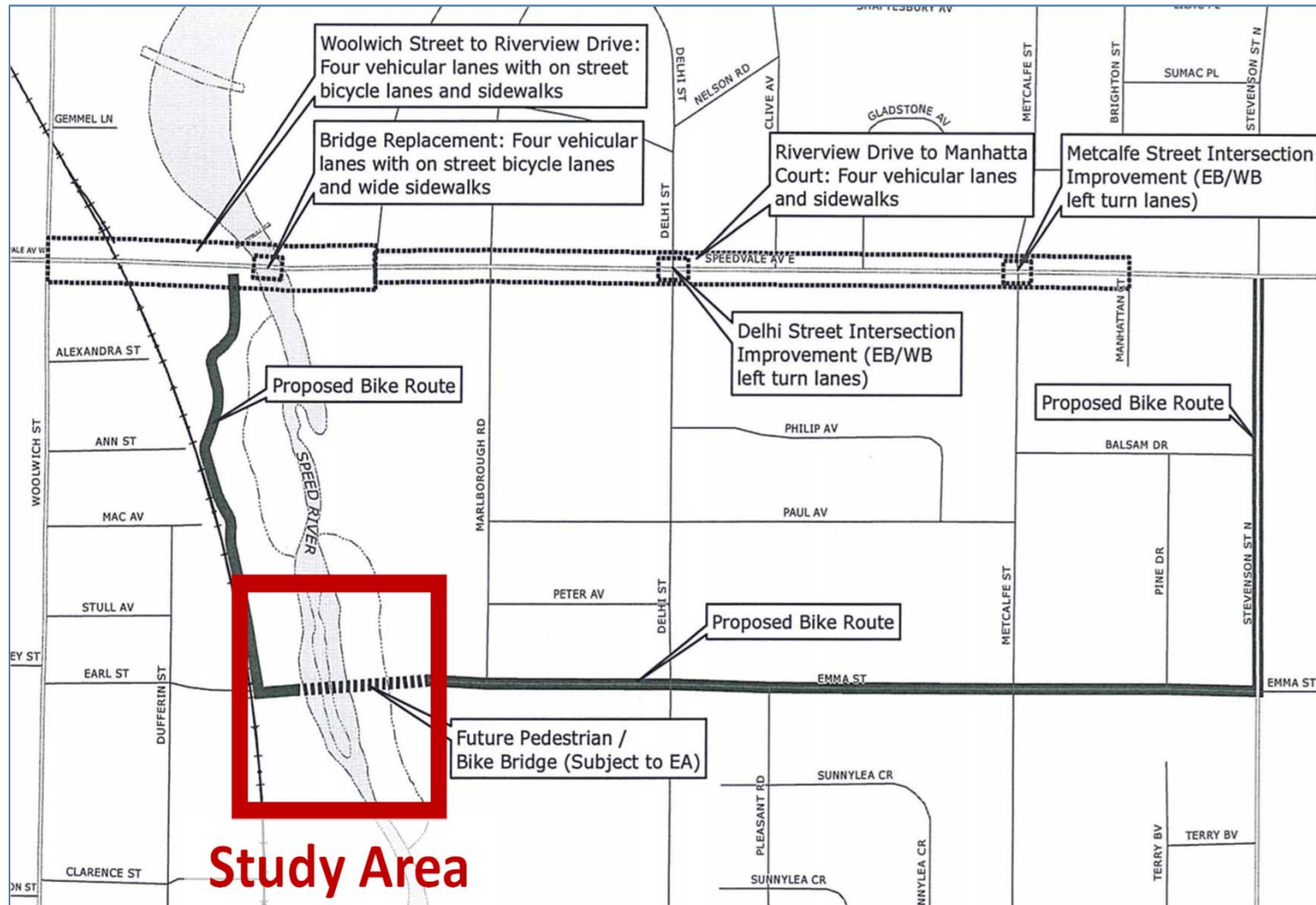
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Site Location



History



Overview of EA process

- The EA followed Phases 1 and 2 of the planning and design process which involved the following studies:
 - ecological inventories
 - geomorphic assessment
 - hydraulic analysis
 - archaeological assessment
 - hydrogeological review
 - generation and evaluation of alternatives
 - public consultation
 - selection of the preferred solution
- Opportunity statement

“The Emma Street to Earl Street bridge shall ultimately be designed as a pedestrian and cycling bridge, that provides a car free route for cyclists and pedestrians traveling between downtown and the north-east corner of the City of Guelph, with the least impact on the natural environment within the Speedvale River Valley.”
- Evaluation criteria seek to balance needs

Public Consultation

- Public Information Centre #1 was held on October 25th, 2016 to refine the Opportunity Statement.
- Public Information Centre #2 was held on June 7, 2017 to provide feedback on existing conditions, evaluation criteria, preliminary evaluation of alternatives and preferred alternative.
- What we heard
- Public feedback has been incorporated into the preferred alternative

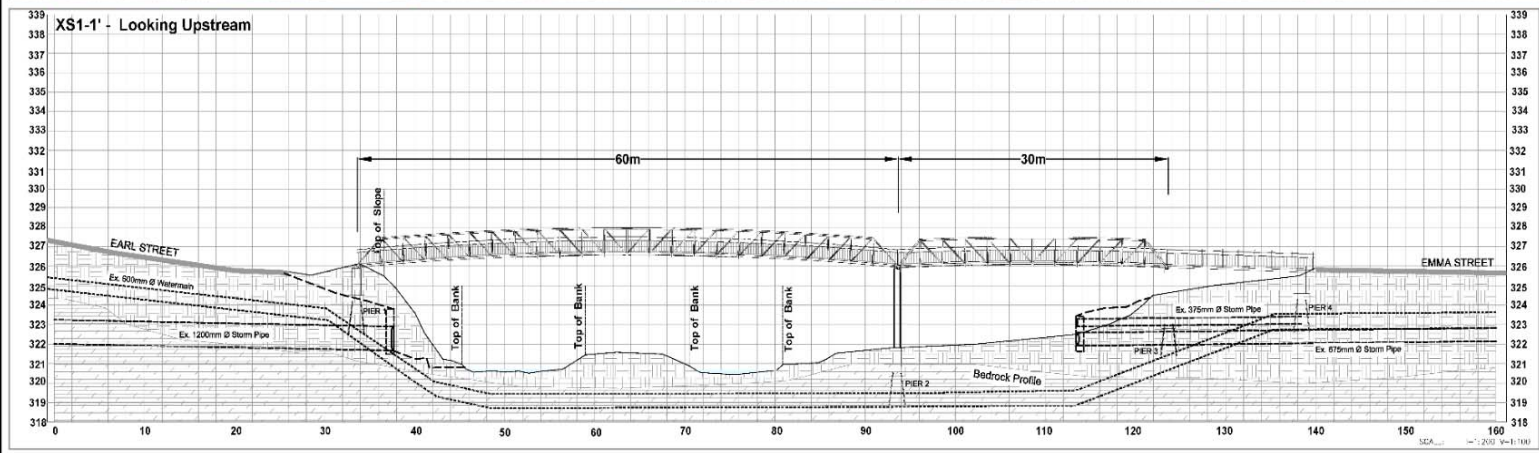
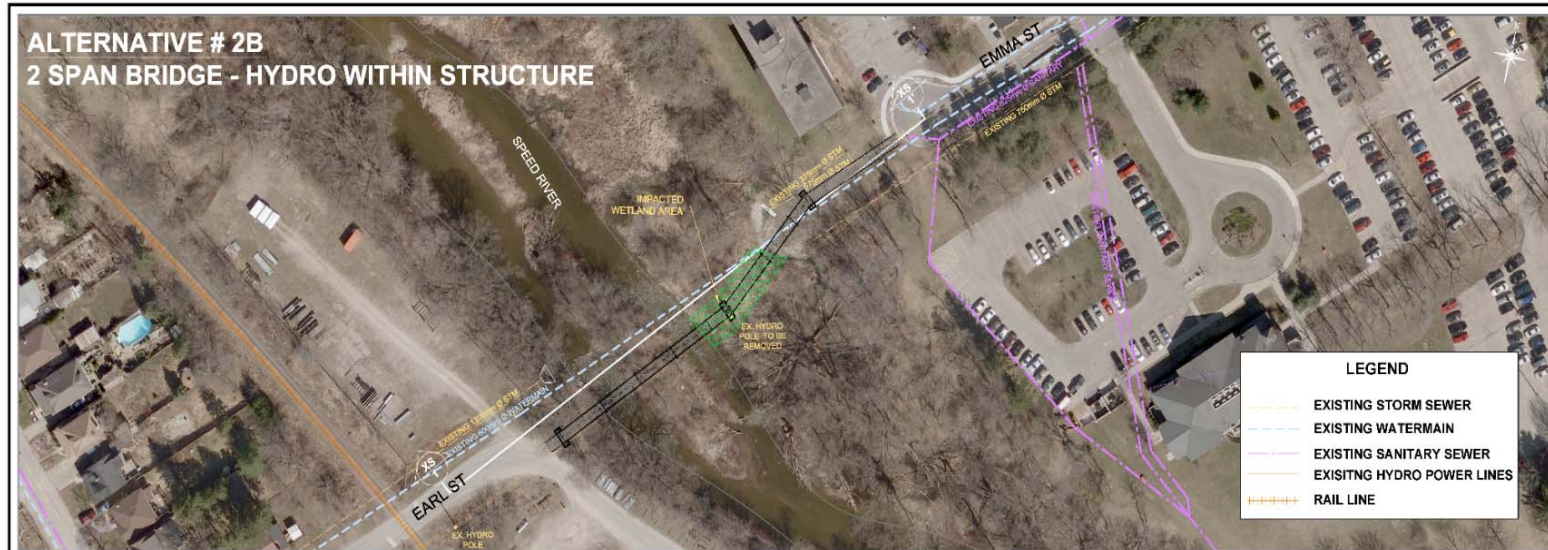
Evaluation of Alternatives

	Null- Do Nothing	Single Span	Double Span Hydro Relocation	Double Span Hydro within Structure	Triple Span
Physical & Natural Criteria	11	10	7	10	3
Hydraulics and Flooding	4	4	2	3	1
Aquatic Habitat	3	3	3	4	1
Terrestrial Habitat	4	3	2	3	1
Social and Cultural Criteria	6	13	12	12	11
Public Safety	0	4	4	4	4
Landowner Impacts	1	2	2	2	2
Benefits to the Community	1	4	4	4	4
Cultural and Archaeological Impacts	4	3	2	2	1
Technical and Engineering Criteria	10	11	10	10	7
Impact on Existing Infrastructure (local)	4	4	3	3	1
Impact on Existing Infrastructure (external)	0	4	4	4	4
Lifespan of Works	4	3	3	3	2
Policy Conformity	2	0	0	0	0
Economic Criteria	8	2	5	5	5
Capital Costs	4	1	2	2	3
Operations and Maintenance Costs	4	1	3	3	2
Cumulative Score	35	36	34	37	26
Rank	3	2	4	1	5

Environmental Considerations



Preferred Alternative 2B



					EMMA STREET @ EARL STREET PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE				
	Plan And Section								
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Strategic Plan Alignment

- The Emma Street to Earl Street pedestrian bridge will align with the following strategic plan priorities:
 - **Sustaining our Future:** Protecting and enhancing the green infrastructure provided by woodlands, wetlands, watercourses and other elements of Guelph's natural heritage system.
 - **Navigating Our Future:** Improving connections to workplaces in Guelph, investing in and promoting active transportation.
 - **Building Our Future:** Continuing working to develop new assets that respond to Guelph's growing and changing social, economic and environmental needs.