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## **APPENDIX A**

### **ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICES AND NOTIFICATIONS**

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## **Notice of Study Commencement**

OGN and Notification Letters

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# Monarch Butterfly Garden is Official

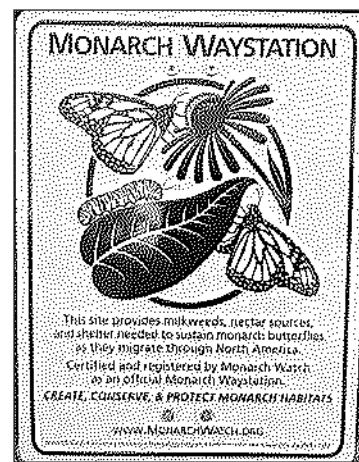
The students and Staff of Red Rock Public School along with Red Rock Best Start commemorated the Monarch Butterfly Garden planted in the spring. Their site is an official Monarch Waystation registered at [www.MonarchWatch.org](http://www.MonarchWatch.org). To celebrate this distinction, students and staff inspected the garden for butterflies, growth and new milkweed seedlings! It was noted that the milkweed, cornflower and other Monarch butterfly supporting plants had flourished over the summer and that the garden is very lush. Students erected the official


way station sign by using a power drill and screwdriver. Writing an acrostic poem was another way the group honoured their hopes of creating habitat for Monarch migration:

Beautiful  
Use nectar  
Take off  
Travel far away  
Eat leaves  
Return to their home  
Flutter and fly in the sky  
Land on leaves and lay an egg

You used to be a caterpillar

*Submitted by Karin Mackenzie*





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Criminal Background Check is required.

Interested parties may submit application to:  
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886-2245  
by Wednesday, October 21, 2015.

***Wear the Gear...***

# National School Safety Week 2015: Dress Brightly and Be Seen

This National School Safety Week, October 17 to 23, the Canada Safety Council encourages young pedestrians and cyclists to dress brightly to be seen.

“As light levels drop, drivers have more difficulty seeing pedestrians and cyclists on the road,” says Jack Smith, president of the Canada Safety Council. “Wearing bright colours and retro-reflective material can help you stay safe while walking and cycling.”

September to November tend to be the worst months of the year for young pedestrians getting hit by motor vehicles. The riskiest time of the day for pedestrians and cyclists to be on the road is in late afternoon, at night, and in dim light conditions when they are less visible to drivers.

Any time a car needs its headlights, visibility can be improved by wearing clothing with retro-reflective markings. Retro-reflective materials bounce light back towards the light source, so they will appear very bright and stand out from the background when headlights shine on them.

Research shows that pedestrians and cyclists wearing retro-reflective materials are more likely to be seen and recognized by drivers. The best place to

sport retro-reflective markings is on the arms and legs.

To help kids be bright and be seen, the Canada Safety Council is offering a limited number of retro-reflective crafting kits to interested teachers and children's group leaders. A retro-reflective craft activity can help launch a wider discussion with youth around pedestrian and cycling safety. Email [csa@safety-council.org](mailto:csa@safety-council.org) or call 613-739-1535 to order your kit. Teachers and children's group leaders' names will be entered into a contest to win a 3M product gift basket compliments of 3M Canada.

Also, kids can challenge the adults in their lives to a friendly road safety quiz posted on our Elmer the Safety Elephant website at [www.elmer.ca](http://www.elmer.ca).

## Pedestrian Safety Tips for Kids

1. **Be bright:** Wear clothing with retro-reflective patches and make sure your bicycle has reflectors and a light.

2. Ensure drivers have seen you before you step off the curb by **making eye contact**.

3. **Leave the phone alone** and turn down the tunes when crossing the street.

4. And of course, look

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## LOCAL NEWS



JON THOMPSON

**TURKEY TIME:** Shelter House volunteers prepare meals on Monday.

# Thanksgiving Santa Claus

**THUNDER BAY**  
By Jon Thompson – TB Source

**N**ick Purich spent his first Thanksgiving in town buying turkey dinner for the homeless -- 300 dinners, to be exact.

Purich has been living in Thunder Bay less than three months but he and his visiting parents footed the entire bill for Thanksgiving dinner at Shelter House.

Purich grew up in Saskatoon and helping the less fortunate became a holiday staple in his household. He and his family continued the tradition in his new town on Monday, complete with cooking and serving meals.

"I've always felt very lucky and very fortunate in my family and in my own life that we've got food on the table," Purich said.

"In every city I've lived in, I've seen there are people that don't. It's a very prevalent need so it's relatively easy to get involved and do something about it."

Shelter House staff had been cutting carrots since early Sunday and over two days, they cooked 16 turkeys for clients, along with stuffing gravy and vegetables.

Shelter House development officer Alexandra Calderon said the turkey meal is a welcome protein change in her service's kitchen but there's something special about the Thanksgiving meal.

"There's a lot more families. Everyone's a lot friendlier," she said.

## Union worried about TPP

**LABOUR**  
By Jon Thompson – TB Source

**T**he union representing 27,000 forestry industry workers is concerned the Trans-Pacific Partnership agreement could mean less value-added jobs in Canada.

Unifor spokesman Scott Doherty said although the agreement to liberalize trade between 12 countries on both shores of the Pacific Ocean that was signed on Sunday could open markets for Canadian pulp and newsprint, the union is concerned it may mean more raw logs shipped overseas from Canadian forests.

Governments have yet to release the TPP text but the agreement would drop tariff levels between countries in very different stages of development, opening Canada's labour competitiveness to countries like Malaysia, Peru and Vietnam.

Doherty expressed concern for the future of sawmilling operations as well as pulp and paper mills.

**Do you have an opinion to share?**  
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**Directly mailed to federal and provincial agencies, municipalities, school boards, emergency services, utilities, and potentially interested stakeholders on the project mailing list. A copy of the OGN and an agency comment form were enclosed.**

October 7, 2015

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<b>Agency Name &amp; division/branch:</b>	
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### COMMENTS:

1. Does your organization wish to participate in this project? ☐ YES ☐ NO
2. If yes to the above, please provide the contact name, telephone #, address and e-mail for future correspondence in the space provided below.


3. Please identify any concerns/comments your organization may have at this time.


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- Nipissing First Nation
- Red Rock Indian Band
- Pays Plat First Nation
- Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek
- Métis Nation of Ontario Head Office
- Biinjitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek First Nation (Rocky Bay)
- Bingwi Neyaashi Anishinaabek (Sand Point)
- Pic Mobert First Nation
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Highway 11/17 Four-Laning from Ouimet to Dorion  
Preliminary Design, Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study  
G.W.P. 135-90-00**

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The 1997 ESR is dated. Preliminary terrestrial and aquatic field investigations will be carried out in Fall 2015 to support the ESR Addendum preparation and further data collection will be carried out in Spring 2016 to address MTO's current guidelines and standards, policy directives, and current legislative requirements. The general information collected in Fall 2015 will be used to consider any alignment alternatives. The additional data collection in Spring 2016 will be used to develop the impact assessment for the preferred plan.

The fisheries work will include assessment of any ponds that could potentially be impacted by the project that are used for baitfish harvesting. Field work will specifically involve assessment of connectivity with watercourses/other fisheries, and sampling (most likely using minnow traps). We will consult with MNRF directly regarding information they have regarding the baitfish community and general harvest/usage, and if appropriate and feasible, consult with the 'harvesters'.

Based on a preliminary review of available background information sources, no Significant Wildlife Habitat, other specialized habitats or rare species were identified other than potential for six species of conservation concern (SCC) to be present in the project vicinity (per the NHIC database). One of the six SCC - Eastern Whip-poor-will – is designated as Threatened. Northern Brook Lamprey is listed as Special Concern. The other SCC are S-ranked plants with no status under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

Background information sources will be reviewed in more detail and MNRF, LRCA and relevant interest groups will be consulted directly, particularly regarding SCC and sensitive habitats. Although targeted Eastern Whip-poor-will surveys are not proposed, the detailed field work will include assessment of the potential for the habitats located in the project vicinity to support this species and other SCC identified as potentially being present in the project area.

More recently, the presence of the Dorion Orchid Reserve Significant Ecological Area and its orchid colony located just to the south of the existing highway has been identified. This area will be assessed specifically by our terrestrial ecologist in relation to potential impacts and associated opportunities to minimize and otherwise mitigate impacts.

Any higher sensitivity terrestrial and aquatic functions (e.g., wetlands, higher quality or potentially specialized habitat, wintering cover/habitat, areas of wildlife crossing/movement or concentration (e.g., salt pooling)) will be identified and assessed during the field work. The sensitivity of watercourses and riparian habitat to temporary disturbance for activities such as geotechnical work will be assessed generally.

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A copy of the OGN and an agency  
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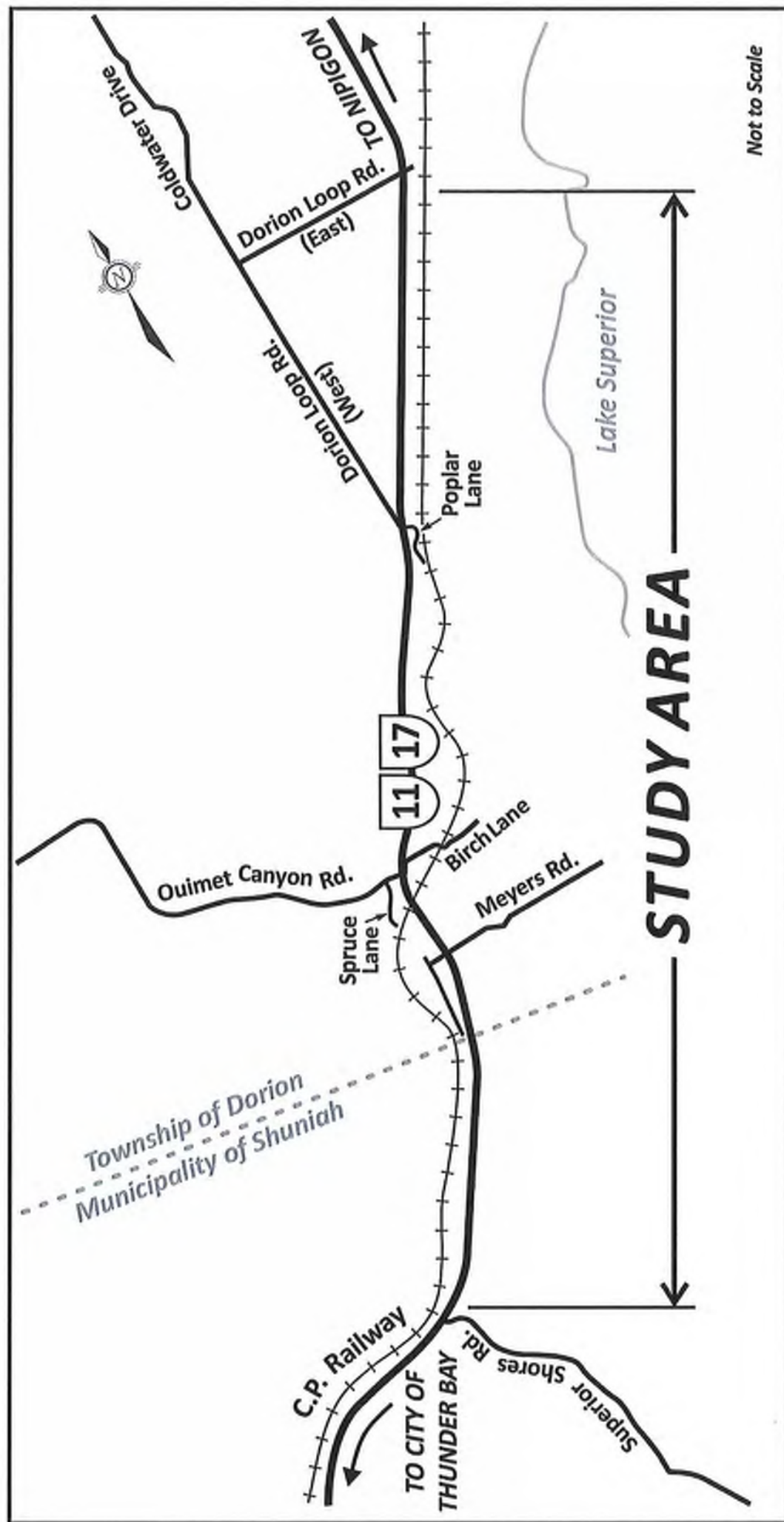
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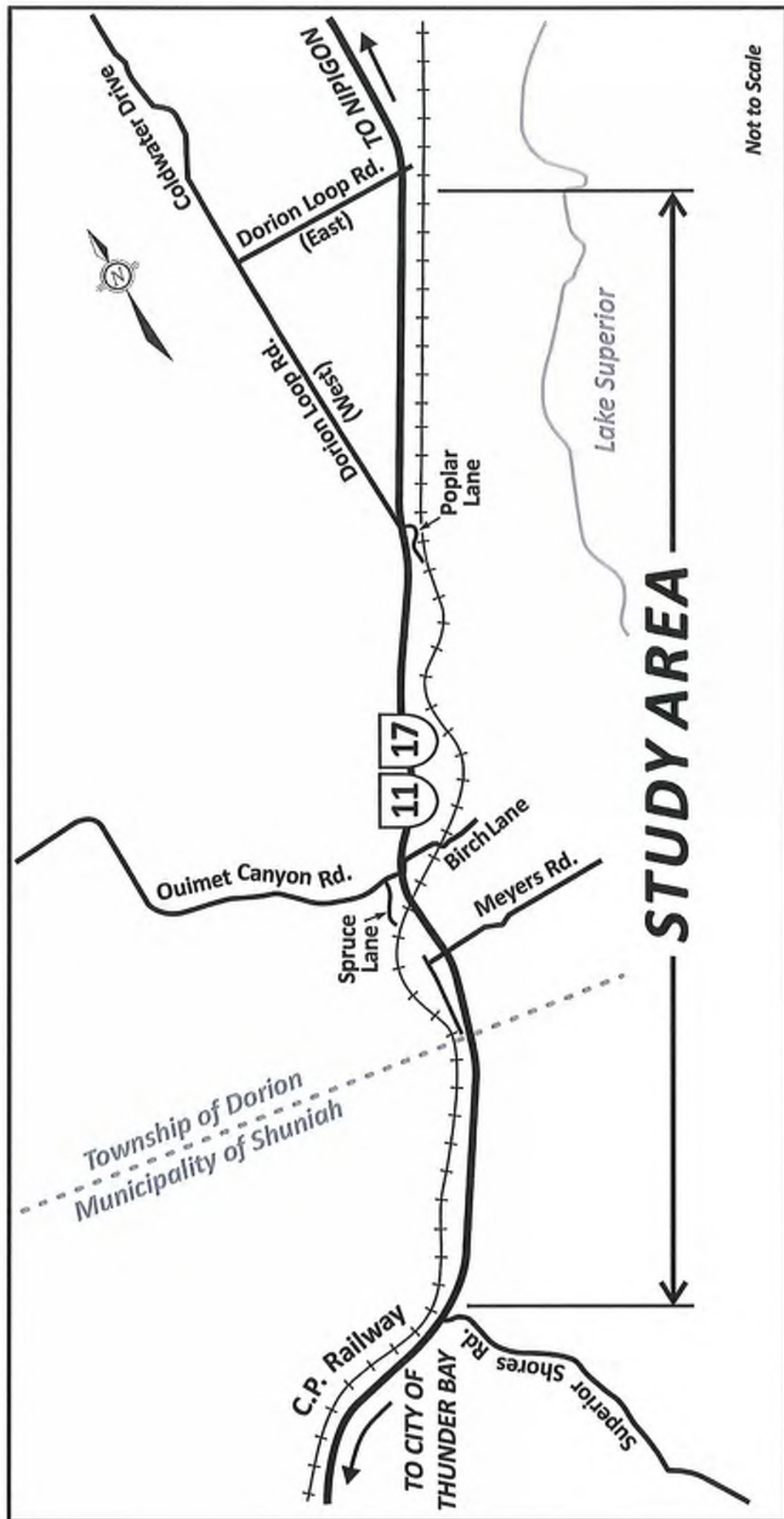
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## Crafters



Sara Jeffrey - Photo

### Sara Jeffrey

Diana Bockus visited Nipigon to see the town. A lifelong resident of Northern Ontario, Diana grew up in Marathon and Thunder Bay. She married Larry and raised their children on the farms in the South Gilles area. Larry worked for Ontario Hydro along the North Shore of Lake Superior. Larry farmed the old way, using draft horses and equipment which he bought or built.

Diana grew a huge vegetable garden, preserved their food and fruit, sold produce at the Market and

developed the Silver Mountain Food Group for group purchasing power.

While she was in Nipigon, Diana visited the Legion, La Luna, and a few crafters. She weaves blankets and rugs and has knit for years and is looking to expand her talents by felting her knitting. Linda Benson had a large armoire filled with her knitting, from hats and socks along with felted hats, toques and booties.

After driving around town she declared she would be back in the summer to see and learn more.

## Water Walk

On March 24 there was a Water Walk held at Boulevard Lake in Thunder Bay. It was guided by the vision of Josephine Mandamin, an Anishinaabe Grandmother.

The first water walk took place in 2003 around Lake Superior and since then 11 other Mother Earth Water Walks have taken place, inspiring local water walks across the country. The water walk was done to raise awareness around the importance of water and to garner support for the protection of water.

There are currently multiple threats to the waterways in Northwestern Ontario. If approved by the National Energy Board, the proposed Energy East pipeline would transport over 1.1 million barrels of diluted tar sand bitumen or 'dilbit' daily across the Nipigon River in a retro-fitted pipe. According to Ruth Cook, a member of the Executive on the Council of Canadians, "The

results could be catastrophic." If the pipeline were to leak, which Cook explains is not unlikely, "bitumen could make its way into Nipigon Bay and eventually Lake Superior. If this happens the clean-up could take years, cost billions of dollars and the Lake would never be the same." Drinking water for thousands of people could be affected by such a spill.

The walk gave participants the opportunity to contemplate their dependence on and responsibility to water. Lana Ray, co-organizer of the event explained, "Our concern for the health, cleanliness and safety of our water is universal so we wanted to make this walk inclusive. No matter who we are or where we live we all depend on water for our survival."

Walkers were encouraged to walk as far as they could and there were refreshments and snacks available for all.

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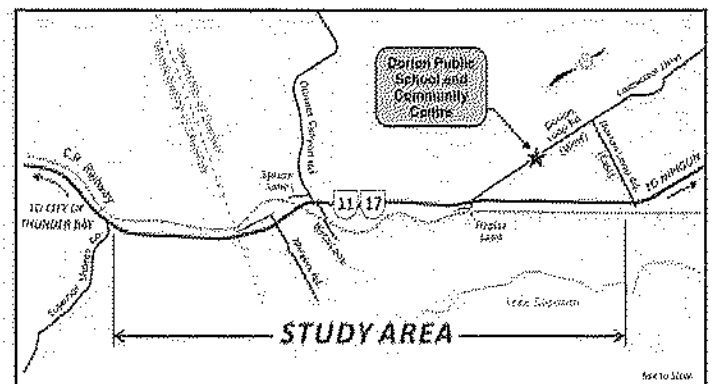
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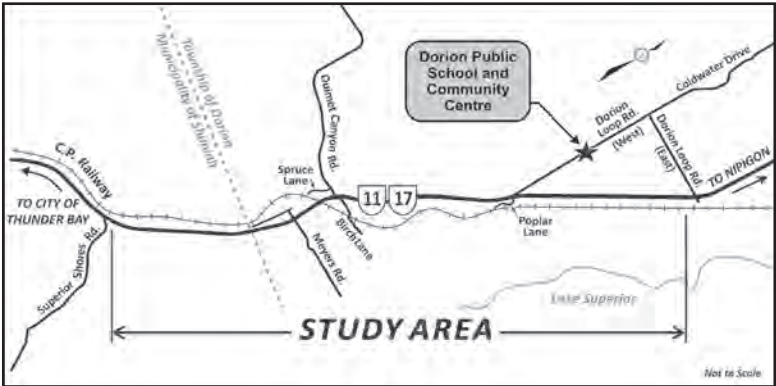
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# LOCAL NEWS

# Snowmobile crash kills 1

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Jermaine Mainville was pronounced dead on Sunday night after the single-sled collision.

Police, in a release issued on Monday, said the incident occurred at about 8 p.m. The victim was raced to hospital in Sioux Lookout, where he was pronounced dead.

A post-mortem was scheduled for Monday.

## Fire victims identified

Police have released the names of nine people killed in a deadly March 29 fire at Pikangikum First Nation.

Three children, including a five-month-old baby, were among the victims.

Post-mortem examinations were conducted on all of the victims last Sunday. The cause of death was determined to be smoke inhalation.

The following victims have been identified as:

- Dean Strang, 51 years, Dunsford Road
- Annette Strang, 49 years, Dunsford Road
- Gilbert Strang, 31 years, Dunsford Road
- Sylvia Peters, 41 years, Suggashie Road
- Dietrich Peters, 35 years, Joe's Avenue
- Faith Strang, 24 years, Joe's Avenue
- Ireland Peters, 4 years, Joe's Avenue
- Aubree Strang, 2 years, Joe's Avenue
- Amber Strang, 5 months, Joe's Avenue

The investigation into the cause of the fire is ongoing and remains undetermined.

Foul play is not suspected.

## Starved dog owners face 9 charges

A man and a woman face a total of nine charges after a starved dog was discovered in the Picton Avenue area last month.

The dog was found wandering in the Junot and Windsor area of Thunder Bay in mid-March and appeared to be extremely malnourished.

The Thunder Bay District Crime S toppers posted photographs on its Facebook page looking for information and the animal's owners were located shortly after that.

Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals agent Jeremy Gardiner called the condition of the dog alarming.

Gardiner on Friday confirmed with TBT News that a 28-year-old man and a 27-year-old woman now face a total of nine charges in connection with this incident.

Gardiner added that the dog remains in the possession of the OSPCA where it continues to recover.

## Pursuit suspects arrested in Kenora

Two people have been taken into custody following a pursuit of a vehicle stolen in Saskatchewan.

OPP officers on patrol of Highway 17 Thursday morning observed an eastbound sport utility vehicle travelling at a high rate of speed, which matched the description of a vehicle involved in an alleged theft of fuel in Manitoba.

The officers tried to pull the vehicle over but were unsuccessful, leading to a brief chase. The officers ended the chase in the interest of public safety and instead tried to intercept the vehicle with a spike belt.

Around 40 minutes later they located the vehicle on a side road east of Kenora and again tried to stop it but were unsuccessful as it returned into Highway 17. It approached the spike belt and left the roadway to avoid it.

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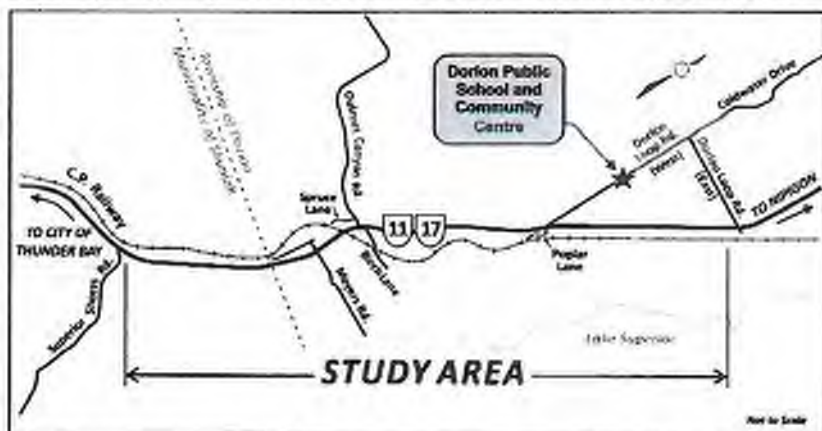
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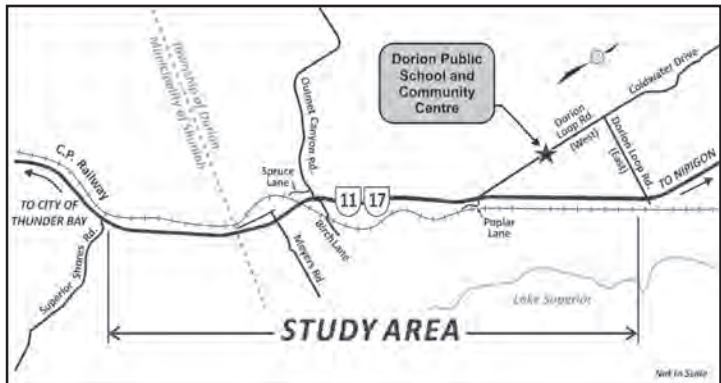
# HIGHWAY 11/17 FOUR-LANING FROM OUIMET TO DORION

## Preliminary and Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Notice of Public Information Centre #1

### THE STUDY

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- Some areas of twinning the existing highway;
- Some areas of new four-lane alignment, including constructing new eastbound and westbound bridges over the Canadian Pacific Railway;
- Providing connections to the new four-lane highway at Meyers Road, Ouimet Canyon Road, Poplar Lane, and Dorion Loop Road West; and
- Securing all the necessary environmental approvals for construction.



### THE PROCESS

This study is following the approved environmental planning process for Group 'B' projects under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)*, with the opportunity for public input throughout. The Preliminary Design of the approved four-lane plan, as detailed in the 1997 *Environmental Study Report (ESR)*, was approved following public input and review. This study is a continuation of the Class EA process to refine and finalize the design of the approved four-lane plan and to develop detailed construction documents.

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Members of the Project Team will also be available to answer questions and receive comments. The PIC venue is fully accessible and all PIC material presented will be compliant with the requirements under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act*. If you have any accessibility requirements to participate in this project, please contact one of the Project Team members listed below.

### COMMENTS

If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments or if you would like to be added to the study's mailing list, please contact the individuals listed below, or visit our website at [www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOuimettoDorion.ca](http://www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOuimettoDorion.ca).

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Comments and information are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments will be maintained on file for use during the study and, with the exception of personal information, may be included in study documentation and become part of the public record.

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preferring email correspondence  
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March 30, 2016

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The Project Team is aware of your interest in the preservation of \_\_\_\_\_ and the potential impacts \_\_\_\_\_ associated with the study. Please note minimizing project impacts to this unique feature was considered as part of the review of the four-lane route alternatives and the side road connections. Although some impacts \_\_\_\_\_ are anticipated, the proposed plan is expected to avoid direct \_\_\_\_\_

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**Agency (Emailed)**

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Fort William First Nation  
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Attention: Chief Peter Wayne Collins

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Please do not hesitate to contact me at 1-800-465-5034 or (807) 473-2049 if you have any questions or comments, or would like to schedule a meeting.

Sincerely,



Rick Inman  
Senior Project Manager

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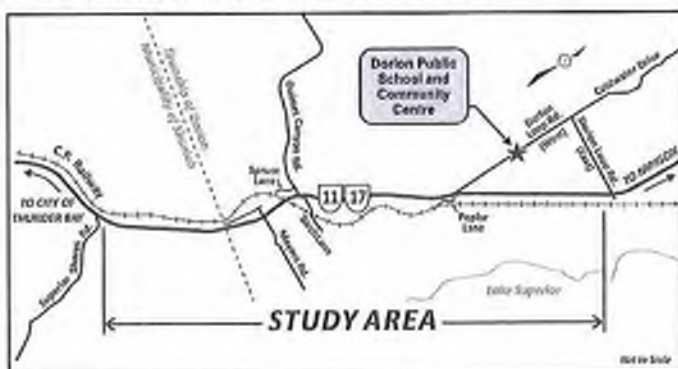
# HIGHWAY 11/17 FOUR-LANING FROM OUMET TO DORION

## Preliminary and Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Notice of Public Information Centre #1

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- Some areas of twinning the existing highway;
- Some areas of new four-lane alignment, including constructing new eastbound and westbound bridges over the Canadian Pacific Railway;
- Providing connections to the new four-lane highway at Meyers Road, Oumet Canyon Road, Poplar Lane, and Dorion Loop Road West; and
- Securing all the necessary environmental approvals for construction.



### THE PROCESS

This study is following the approved environmental planning process for Group 'B' projects under the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)*, with the opportunity for public input throughout. The Preliminary Design of the approved four-lane plan, as detailed in the 1997 *Environmental Study Report (ESR)*, was approved following public input and review. This study is a continuation of the Class EA process to refine and finalize the design of the approved four-lane plan and to develop detailed construction documents.

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### PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

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Members of the Project Team will also be available to answer questions and receive comments. The PIC venue is fully accessible and all PIC material presented will be compliant with the requirements under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act*. If you have any accessibility requirements to participate in this project, please contact one of the Project Team members listed below.

### COMMENTS

If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments or if you would like to be added to the study's mailing list, please contact the individuals listed below, or visit our website at [www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOumettoDorion.ca](http://www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOumettoDorion.ca).

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Comments and information are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. All comments will be maintained on file for use during the study and, with the exception of personal information, may be included in study documentation and become part of the public record.

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Nishnawbe Aski Nation (NAN)  
710 Victoria Avenue East  
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Thunder Bay, ON P7C 5P7

Attention: Grand Chief Alvin Fiddler

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Anishinabek Nation / Union of Ontario Indians  
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Attention: Grand Council Chief Patrick Madahbee

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Attention: Chief Ed Wawia

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Sincerely,



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March 30, 2016

Michipicoten First Nation  
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Attention: Chief Joseph Buckell

**RE: Notice of Public Information Centre #1  
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Chief Allen Towegejick  
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Attention: Chief Allen Towegejick

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Attention: Chief Wilfred Norman King

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April 25, 2016

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**Re: Highway 11/17 Four-Laning from Ouimet to Dorion (G.W.P. 135-90-00)  
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Dear Mr. Churchyard:

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Following the planning and preliminary design phase in 1997, an Environmental Study Report (ESR) was filed for public review and comment, and subsequently the project was cleared to proceed. The 1997 EA approved plan included:

- ▶ Some areas of twinning the existing highway;
- ▶ Some areas of new four-lane alignment;
- ▶ A new, grade-separated crossing of the CP Railway; and
- ▶ Improvements at / modifications to intersecting roads.

It has been brought to the Project Team's attention that agricultural land is impacted by the approved plan. The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs' online Agricultural Information Atlas was queried for soil classification mapping, however, we would like to request up-to-date and precise soil classification mapping for the land within the study area to accurately assess the study impacts to prime agricultural land.

The first Public Information Centre (PIC) was held on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 to provide an opportunity for interested parties to review and provide input on the existing environmental conditions, and to comment on the proposed changes to the original Approved Four-Lane Plan for Highway 11/17 that was documented in the 1997 ESR. The proposed changes include highway alignment revisions in some sections, modifications to public access at Meyers Road, Ouimet Canyon Road, Poplar Road, and Dorion Loop Road West, and an increase in right-of-way from 90 m to 110 m (minimum). The information presented at PIC #1 is available on the project website: <http://hwy11-17four-laningfromouimettodorian.ca>.

An Addendum to the 1997 ESR is being prepared to document changes to the original Approved Four-Lane Plan for Highway 11/17 and will be made available for a 30-day public and agency review period. The Notice of Addendum filing will be posted on the project website, published in local newspapers, and mailed to individuals on the mailing list at that time to explain the review process and identify the locations where the report will be available for review.

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This study is following the approved environmental planning process for Group 'B' projects under the MTO *Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities* (2000).

Comments and information regarding this project are being collected to provide the Project Team with information and to assist MTO in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. All comments and 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.

We have added you to the study mailing-list and will ensure you are kept informed of study activities. If you wish to obtain additional information about the project or provide input at any point during the study, please visit the project website at [www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOuimettoDorion.ca](http://www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOuimettoDorion.ca) or contact one of the individuals noted below.

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Yours Very Truly,

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# NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

## Preliminary and Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment Study Highway 11/17 Four-Laning from Ouimet to Dorion

### THE STUDY

**MMM Group Limited**, on behalf of the **Ministry of Transportation (MTO)**, has initiated a Preliminary Design, Detail Design and Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the four-laning of Highway 11/17 from 2.83 km west of Ouimet Overhead, easterly 8.63 km as shown in the key plan.

### BACKGROUND

Following the planning and preliminary design phase in 1997, an Environmental Study Report (ESR) was filed for public review and comment, and subsequently the project was cleared to proceed. The EA approved plan included:

- Some areas of twinning the existing highway;
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The four-lane highway corridor was designated (protected) in 2003.

### THE PROCESS

The study will follow the *Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000)* process for Group 'B' projects.

Consultation will take place throughout the study with external agencies, property owners and the public. Two Public Information Centres (PICs) are planned during the study. Notices providing the time and location of the PICs will be posted on the project website ([www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOuimettoDorion.ca](http://www.Hwy11-17Four-LaningfromOuimettoDorion.ca)), the Municipality of Shuniah and the Township of Dorion websites, published in local newspapers, and sent to persons on the project mailing list.

As part of the Preliminary Design Study, an Addendum to the Environmental Study Report will be prepared to document any changes to existing environmental conditions from 1997 and any proposed changes to the previously approved plan for Highway 11/17 within the study limits. Potential changes to the 1997 approved plan may include widening the proposed right-of-way from 90 m to 110 m, alignment revisions to some sections of the highway alignment and alignment revisions to the intersecting roads. Upon completion of the Detail Design Study, a Design and Construction Report (DCR) will be prepared to document the Detail Design for the proposed improvements to Highway 11/17 and the proposed environmental mitigation measures.

The Addendum to the ESR and DCR will be available for a 30-day review period at later points during the Study process. Notices will be posted and published when the Addendum to the ESR and the DCR are available for viewing.

Currently, the four-laning of this portion of Highway 11/17 is not included in the Northern Highways Program (e.g. not funded).

### COMMENTS

If you wish to obtain additional information or provide comments, or if you would like to be added to the study's mailing list, please contact:

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