

Ontario Individual EA Process

EA PROCESS



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Requirements of Ontario EA Act

- **Problem Statement** - Purpose and Rationale for the Undertaking
- **Planning Alternatives** - Evaluation of Alternatives to the Undertaking
- **Design Alternatives** - Evaluation of Alternative Methods of carrying out the undertaking
- **Environment that will be affected**
- **Measure to reduce impacts** – mitigation measures
- **Consultation undertaken**

What is a Terms of Reference ?

- First step in EA Process
- Outlines framework for conducting the EA
- Must be approved by the Ontario Minister of the Environment
- Provides the opportunity to focus on the more reasonable alternatives

What is included in a ToR ?

- Problems Statement - Purpose of the studies
- Description of the study area
- Range and Types of Alternatives to be considered
- Stakeholder consultation to be undertaken
- General work plan outlining the process to generate and evaluate alternatives
- Stakeholder consultation undertaken to prepare ToR

Purpose of these Environmental Assessment Studies

- To determine the TRANSIT facilities appropriate to serve the long term residential, employment and tourism needs of the study area while achieving the City's and TWRC's objectives for land use, design and environmental excellence.
- One Terms of Reference will outline 3 EA studies
- East Bayfront and West Don Lands transit EAs to proceed immediately
- Port Lands Transit EA to proceed later