



WELCOME

**Municipal Class EA for Emma St to
Earl St Pedestrian Bridge
PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #2
June 7th, 2017**

Your comments are encouraged and appreciated, as this will provide us an opportunity to address project issues and concerns.



STUDY PURPOSE / PROBLEM DEFINITION



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The study is being carried out to determine if a pedestrian bridge is warranted between Emma St. and Earl St. crossing the Speed River. If warranted, this study will determine which style of bridge will be built.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE PURPOSE

To get community feedback on:

- Existing conditions
- Community interests
- Alternative evaluation criteria and scoring

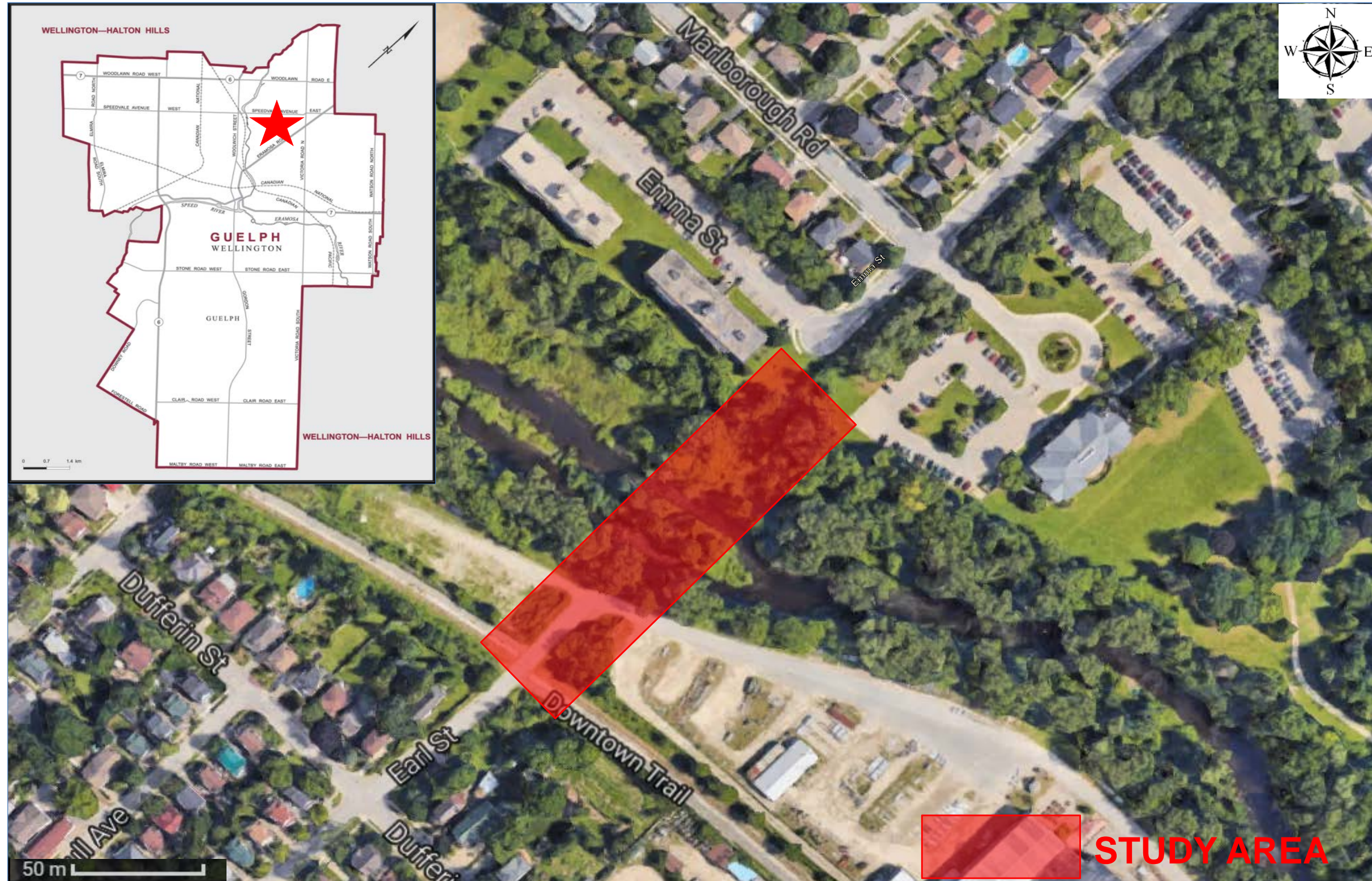
This Public Information Centre (PIC) is designed to:

- Present information on existing conditions (natural, social, environment)
- Discuss alternatives for the bridge and evaluation of alternatives
- Present study process and timelines

STUDY AREA

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The proposed location for the pedestrian bridge is shown below, from Emma St to Earl St crossing the Speed River



MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS

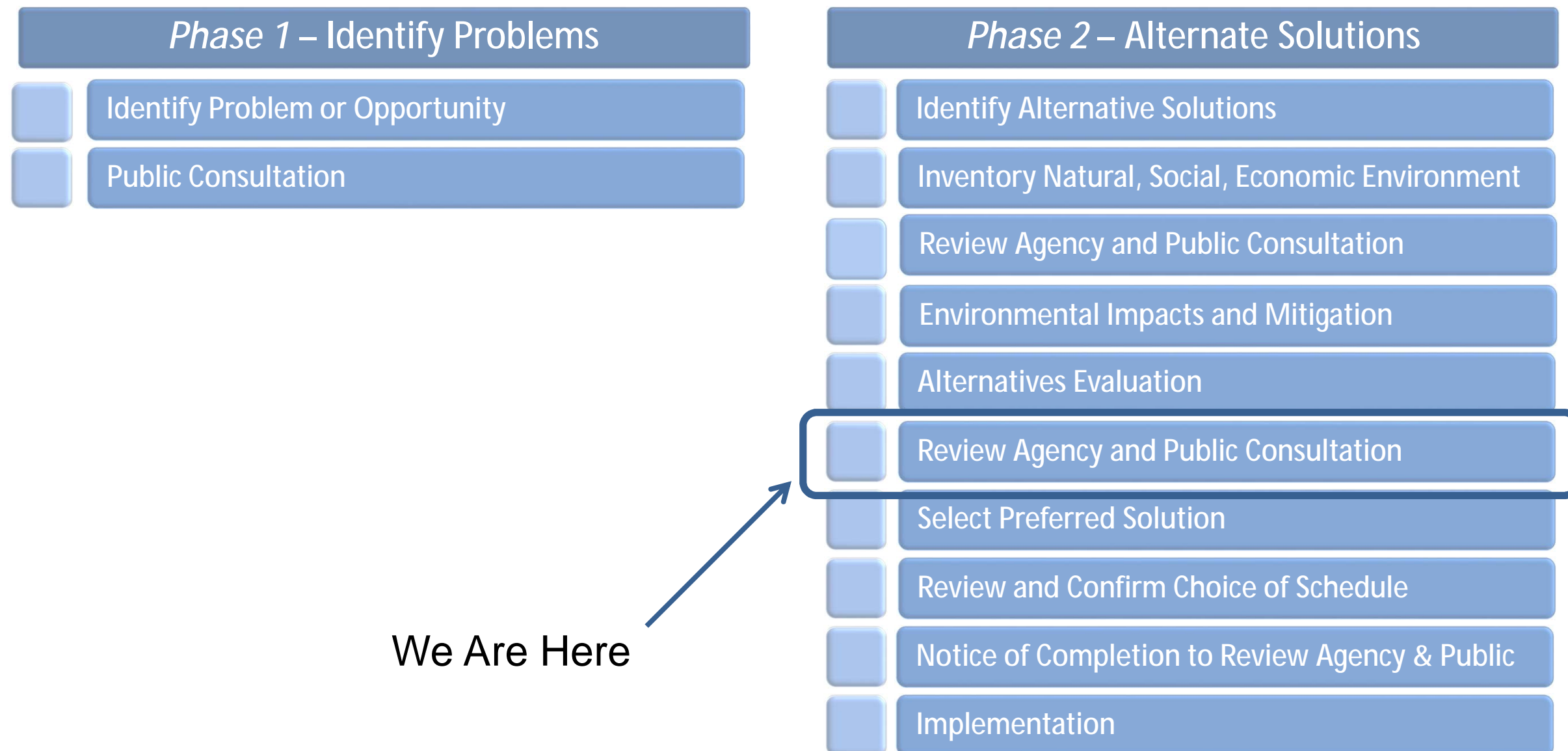


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CLASS EA PROCESS - SCHEDULE B

Many projects related to municipal systems are similar in nature, are carried out routinely, and have predictable and mitigatable environmental effects which are investigated according to the Municipal Engineers Association “Municipal Class Environmental Assessment” (October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 & 2015).

This study is being undertaken as a Schedule B project under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process. The flow chart illustrates the key steps to be undertaken as part of the EA process.



Studies have been conducted to identify the possible bridge connection for the study area.

Trail Master Plan - 2005

- Identified the Emma to Earl Street connection as a future trail

Local Growth Management Strategy - 2007

- City Council endorsed a 2031 population of 169,000 and an additional 31,000 jobs over the 25-year planning horizon within the area
- More bridge connections are needed to meet the increases in pedestrian / cycling traffic

City Council resolution - July 20, 2015

- City Staff was directed to conduct an Environmental Assessment for a possible pedestrian bridge connecting Emma Street to Earl Street as a result of Speedvale Avenue Road Design limitations for pedestrians and cyclists.

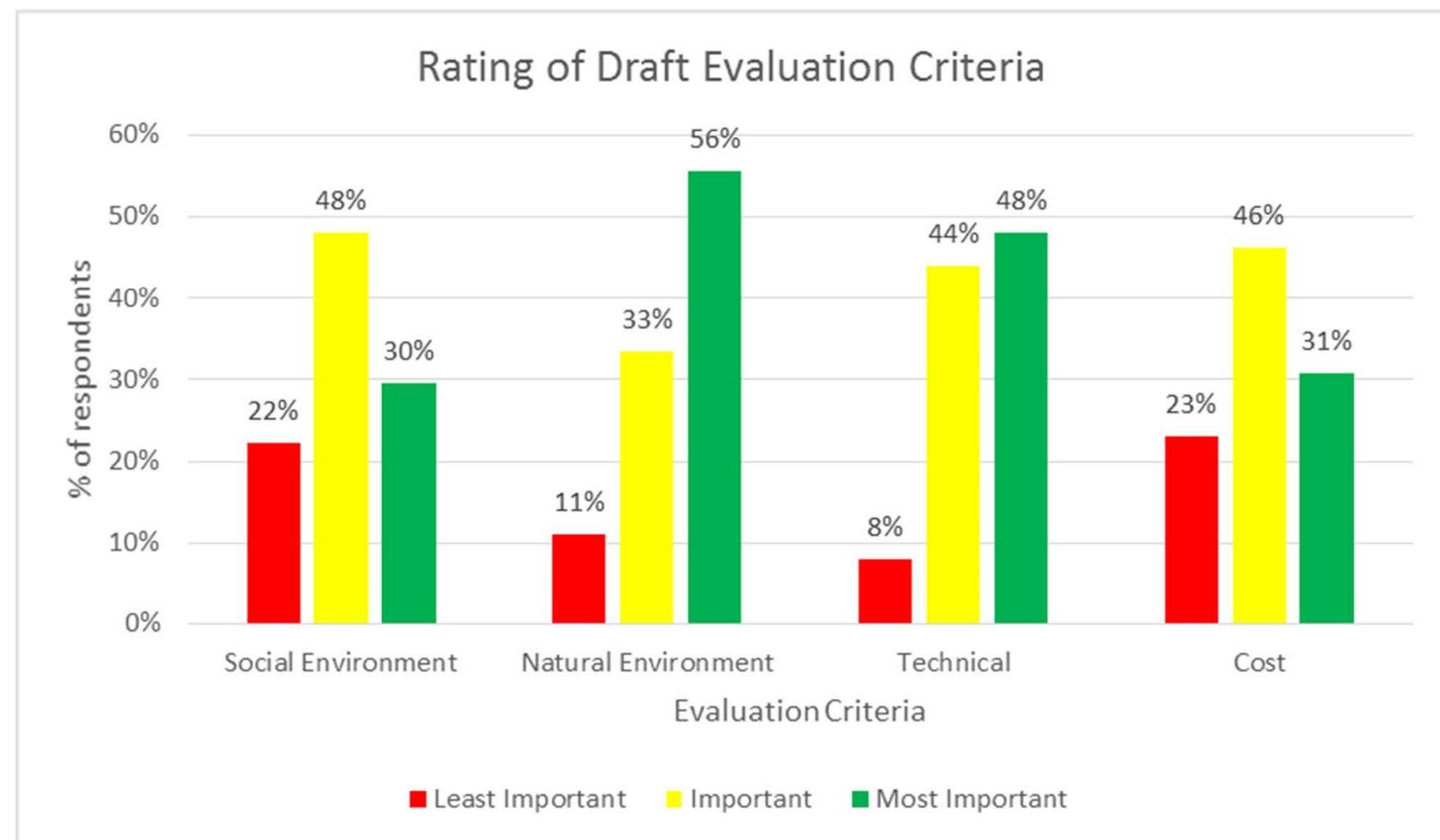
In July 2016, Aquafor was retained by the City of Guelph to conduct a Municipal Class EA for the Emma St to Earl St Pedestrian Bridge.

Comments on Draft Problem/Opportunity Statement

- The bridge should be described as being both a pedestrian and cycling bridge and the ultimate bridge design should account for this.
- Include recognition that the bridge should have the least impact on the natural environment, including the plant and animal communities in the area.
- Include recognition that the bridge will provide a car free route for cyclists and pedestrians traveling between downtown and the north-east corner of the city.

Draft Evaluation Criteria

- Criteria were rated by the majority of participants as either important or most important, with the Natural Environment criteria rated as most important by 56% of respondents.
- Results of this question are provided in the adjacent graph.



Issues and Concerns

Environmental Impacts

- A new bridge in the proposed location contradicts policies in place to naturalize the river.
- Concern regarding impacts on wildlife and fisheries.

Impacts on the Adjacent Neighbourhood

- Greater consideration needs to be given to the negative impacts on the adjacent neighbourhood. It was noted that illegal activity currently takes place on the existing trail.

Impacts on the Adjacent Neighbourhood

- Analysis for the bridge should be conducted to understand who the bridge users would be and where they are travelling.

Proximity of the Bridge to the Armtec Property

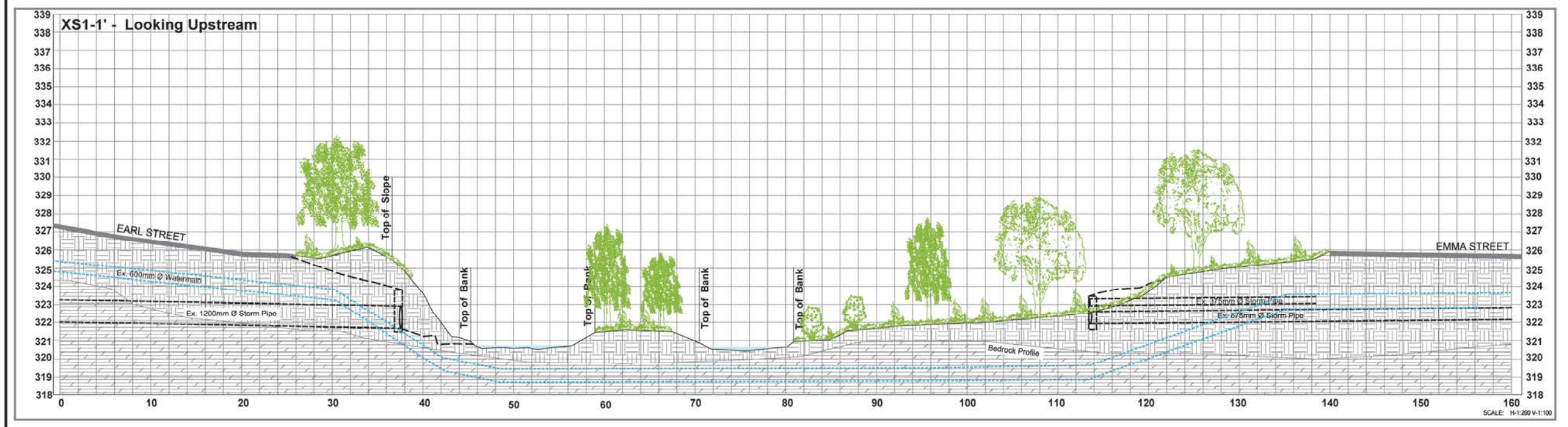
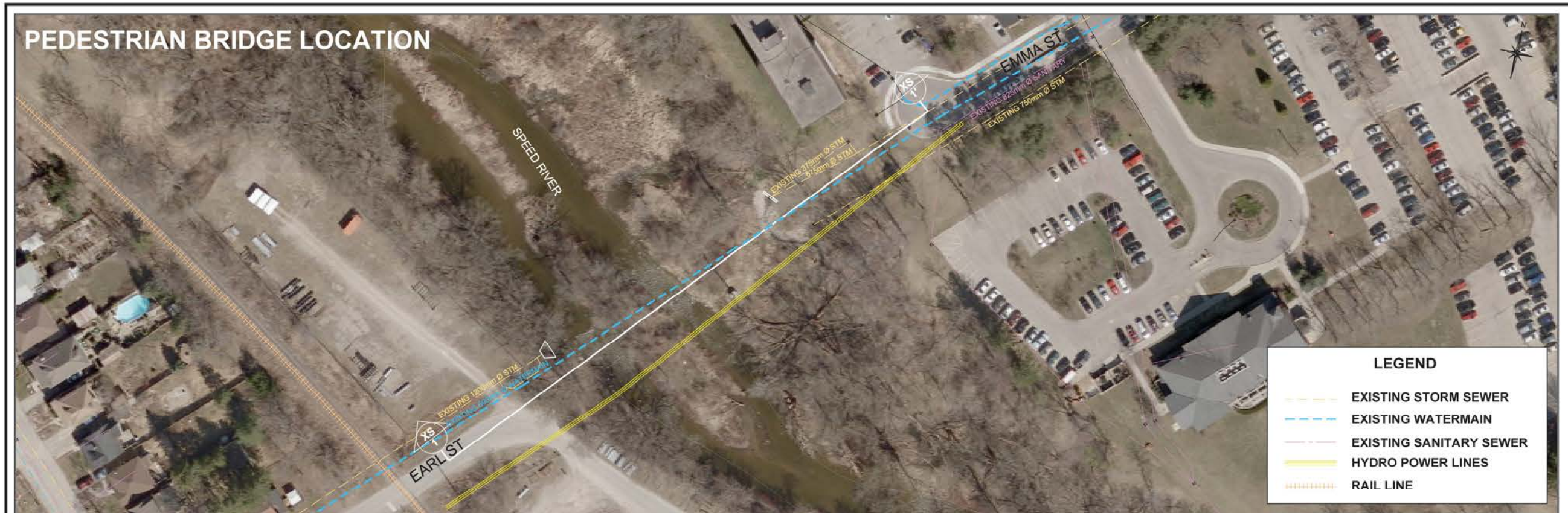
- Any future bridge should be located such that truck movement across Earl St between the two Armtec properties can be maintained as a straight crossing.
- The bridge should be planned in coordination with the Guelph Hiking Trail Club which is working with Armtec on a side trail along the bank of the river on Armtec property.

TOPOGRAPHY & UTILITIES



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The Speed River corridor is ~90m wide between Emma Street and Earl Street



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HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULICS

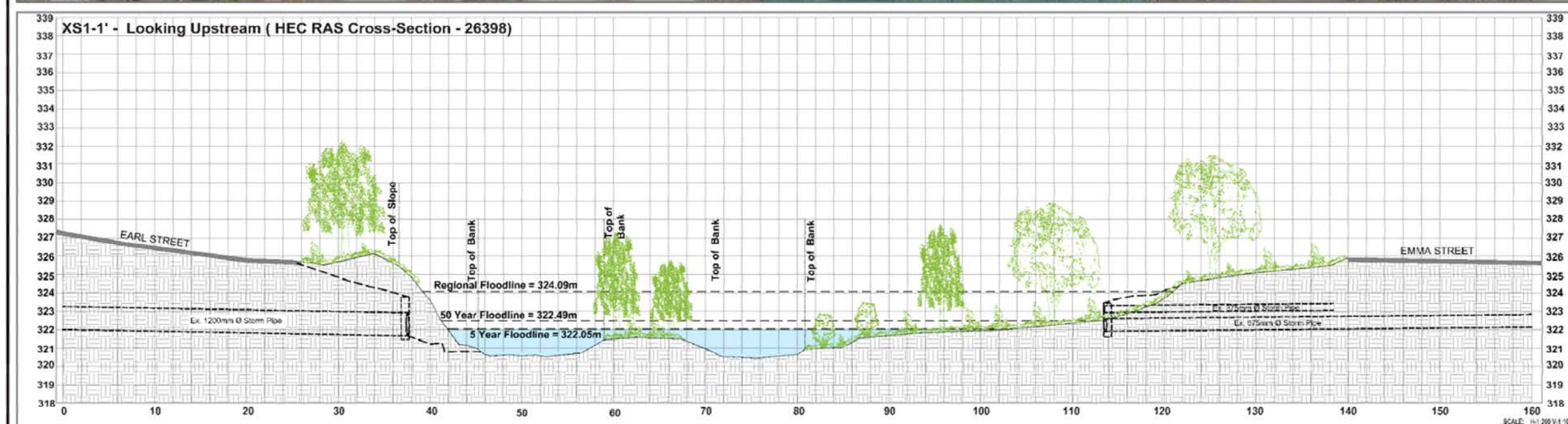


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The study looked into existing hydrology and hydraulics of Speed River in order to understand how water flows through the river, and the forces it exerts under normal and flood flow conditions.



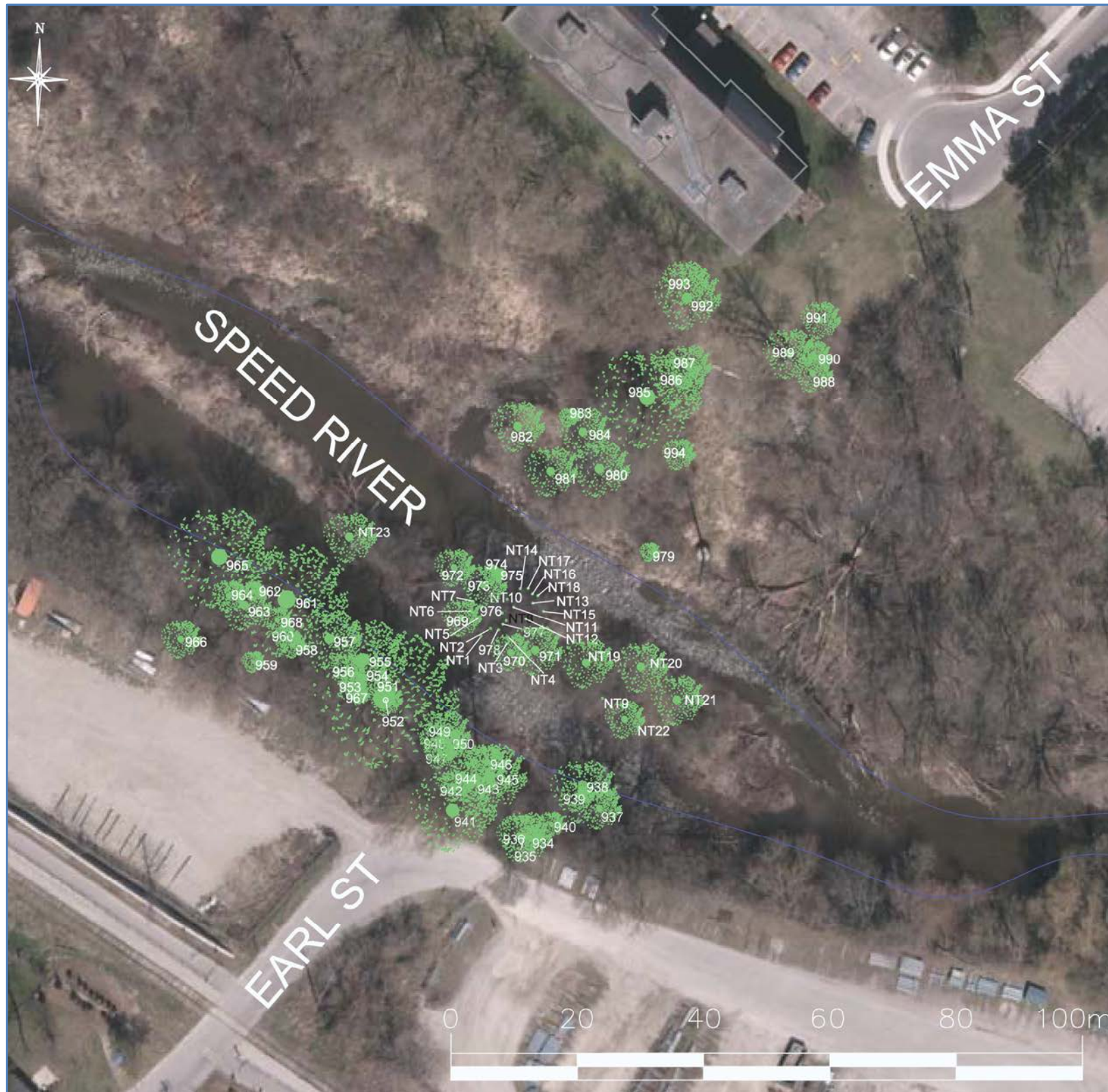
Return Period	Flow (m ³ /s)
2-Year	94
5-Year	129
10-Year	152
25-Year	175
50-Year	205
100-Year	228
Regional	542



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TREE INVENTORIES

Trees greater than 10cm diameter were inventoried. Removal of trees will be required to accommodate bridge construction.



Representative species include:

Tag #	Species Common Name	Species Botanical Name	DBH (cm)	Tag #	Species Common Name	Species Botanical Name	DBH (cm)
934	Small leaved Linden	<i>Tilia cordata</i>	17	976	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	23,9
935	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	37	977	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	16
936	Siberian Elm	<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	56	978	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	14,8
937	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	61	979	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	18
938	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	68	980	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	[14,18,26,19,10]
939	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	26	981	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	46
940	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	12	982	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	31
941	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	26,23,16,26	983	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	12
942	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	35	984	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	[27,19]
943	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	(32,40,38,36)	985	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	131
944	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	(16,21,17)	986	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	18,13,29,23
945	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	(41,39)	987	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	22
946	Norway Maple	<i>Acer platanoides</i>	26	988	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	43
947	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	21	989	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	45,28
948	Norway Maple	<i>Acer platanoides</i>	19	990	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	19
949	Norway Maple	<i>Acer platanoides</i>	21	991	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	20,17,10
950	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	58	992	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	23,26,30
951	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	75,66	993	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	26
952	White Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	21,29	994	White Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	16
953	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	11,27	NT1	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	11
954	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	40	NT2	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	10
955	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	80	NT3	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	11
956	White Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	26	NT4	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	14
957	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	62,(46,46)	NT5	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	13
958	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	34	NT6	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	14
959	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	16,10	NT7	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	17
960	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	18	NT8	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	14
961	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	74	NT9	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	17,15
962	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	42	NT10	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	18,19,15
963	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	60	NT11	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	11
964	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	26	NT12	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	16,20
965	Crack Willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	72,71	NT13	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	14
966	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	28	NT14	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	18
967	White Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	11	NT15	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	26
968	Manitoba Maple	<i>Acer negundo</i>	17	NT16	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	17
969	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	11	NT17	White Elm	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	15
970	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	16	NT18	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	19
971	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	33	NT19	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	n/a
972	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	30	NT20	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	n/a
973	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	26	NT21	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	n/a
974	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	20	NT22	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	n/a
975	Black Locust	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	15	NT23	Black Walnut	<i>Juglans nigra</i>	n/a

FISHERIES & AQUATIC HABITAT

The study defined the existing habitat conditions and fish species of the Speed River.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry has listed the Speed River as coolwater fish habitat. There are no fish collection records within the study area, but sampling at downstream stations has listed the following species present in the Speed River:



**Yellow
Perch**



**Largemouth
Bass**



**Rock
Bass**

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**Common
Carp**

Common Carp was also observed during field investigations. These are warm to coolwater species, common in Ontario and fairly tolerant to disturbance within their habitats.

NATURAL HERITAGE ASSESSMENT



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The Speed River corridor consists of a mix of woodland, wetland and aquatic communities. The corridor is part of the City of Guelph's Natural Heritage System, within which the City has identified several natural heritage features including:

- Significant woodlands;
- Significant wildlife habitat;
- Significant valleylands;
- Surface water and fisheries resources (cool water); and
- Locally significant wetlands.



Aquafor has confirmed and refined the limits of natural heritage features within the study area. These results will be presented to the City of Guelph and other applicable agencies (e.g. the GRCA) for review and comment.



TERRESTRIAL NATURAL HERITAGE



Aquafor characterized the existing vegetation communities of the Speed River according to Ecological Land Classification protocols. Vegetation communities within the study area are illustrated in the adjacent map.

Significant Wildlife Habitat:

- Confirmed habitat for snapping turtle (a Species-At-Risk) is also shown.
- Potential foraging and mating habitat for snapping turtle consists of the Speed River and vegetation units 2-5, 7-9.
- Suitable nesting habitat was not observed within the study area.

A groundwater seepage area is present in vegetation unit 9.

WILDLIFE OBSERVATIONS



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The table below lists the wildlife encountered during field surveys, as well as observations by the public.

Species		Status					Vegetation Community									River (OAO)	
Scientific Name	Common Name	COSEWIC	COSSARO	G-Rank	S-Rank	Guelph	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
Birds																	
<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>	American Crow			G5	S5 B											x	
<i>Poecile atricapillus</i>	Black-capped Chickadee			G5	S5		x						x				
<i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>	Gray Catbird			G5	S4 B										x		
<i>Ardea herodias</i>	Great Blue Heron			G5	S4	R										x	
<i>Setophaga petechia</i>	Yellow Warbler			G5	S5 B								x				
Mammals																	
<i>Tamias striatus</i>	Eastern Chipmunk			G5	S5		x						x				
<i>Sylvilagus floridanus</i>	Eastern Cottontail			G5	S5		x										
<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>	Eastern Gray Squirrel			G5	S5								x				
<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>	Muskrat			G5	S5					x						x	
<i>Tamiasciurus hudsonicus</i>	Red Squirrel			G5	S5								x	x			
Fish																	
<i>Cyprinus carpio</i>	Common Carp			G5	SNA												x
Herpetofauna																	
<i>Chelydra serpentina</i>	Snapping Turtle	SC	SC	G5	S3	R											x
Odonates and Lepidopterans																	
N/A																	

Snapping turtle and great blue heron were observed by local residents. However, no great blue heron nests were observed on or adjacent to the study area. The remaining species are common locally, provincially, and federally.

SPECIES AT RISK

Aquafor consulted a number of primary and secondary information sources to assess the presence of species at risk and species of conservation concern within the study area. The species and their likelihood of occurrence within the study area are detailed in the table below.

Species		Significant in Guelph	Last Observed	Source	Likelihood of Occurrence in Study Area
Scientific Name	Common Name				
<i>Celithemis eponina</i>	Halloween Pennant	*	1924/00/00	NHIC Database	Unlikely
<i>Carex careyana</i>	Carey's Sedge	*	08/06/1905	NHIC Database	Not present
<i>Juglans cinerea</i>	Butternut		-	MNRF	Not present
<i>Strophostyles helvola</i>	Trailing Wild Bean	-	1924/09	NHIC Database	Not present
<i>Thamnophis sauritus</i>	Eastern Ribbonsnake	*	25/04/1990	NHIC Database	Unlikely
<i>Graptemys geographica</i>	Northern Map Turtle	*	1924/07/?	NHIC Database	Unlikely
<i>Emydoidea blandingii</i>	Blanding's Turtle	*	-	Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas	Unlikely
<i>Chelydra serpentina</i>	Snapping Turtle	*	2015	Guelph resident	Present
<i>Ambystoma jeffersonianum</i>	Jefferson / Blue-spotted Salamander Complex	*	-	Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas	Not Present
<i>Pseudacris triseriata</i>	Western Chorus Frog	*	-	Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas	Unlikely
<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>	Little Brown Myotis	-	-	Atlas of the Mammals of Ontario, MNRF	Potentially Present
<i>Myotis leibii</i>	Eastern Small-footed Bat	*	-	MNRF	
<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Northern Myotis	*	-	MNRF	
<i>Ardea herodias</i>	Great Blue Heron	*	2016	Guelph resident	Present
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	Cut-leaved Coneflower	*	2016	Aquafor Beech Limited	Present
<i>Elymus riparius</i>	Riverbank wild-rye	*	2016	Aquafor Beech Limited	Present

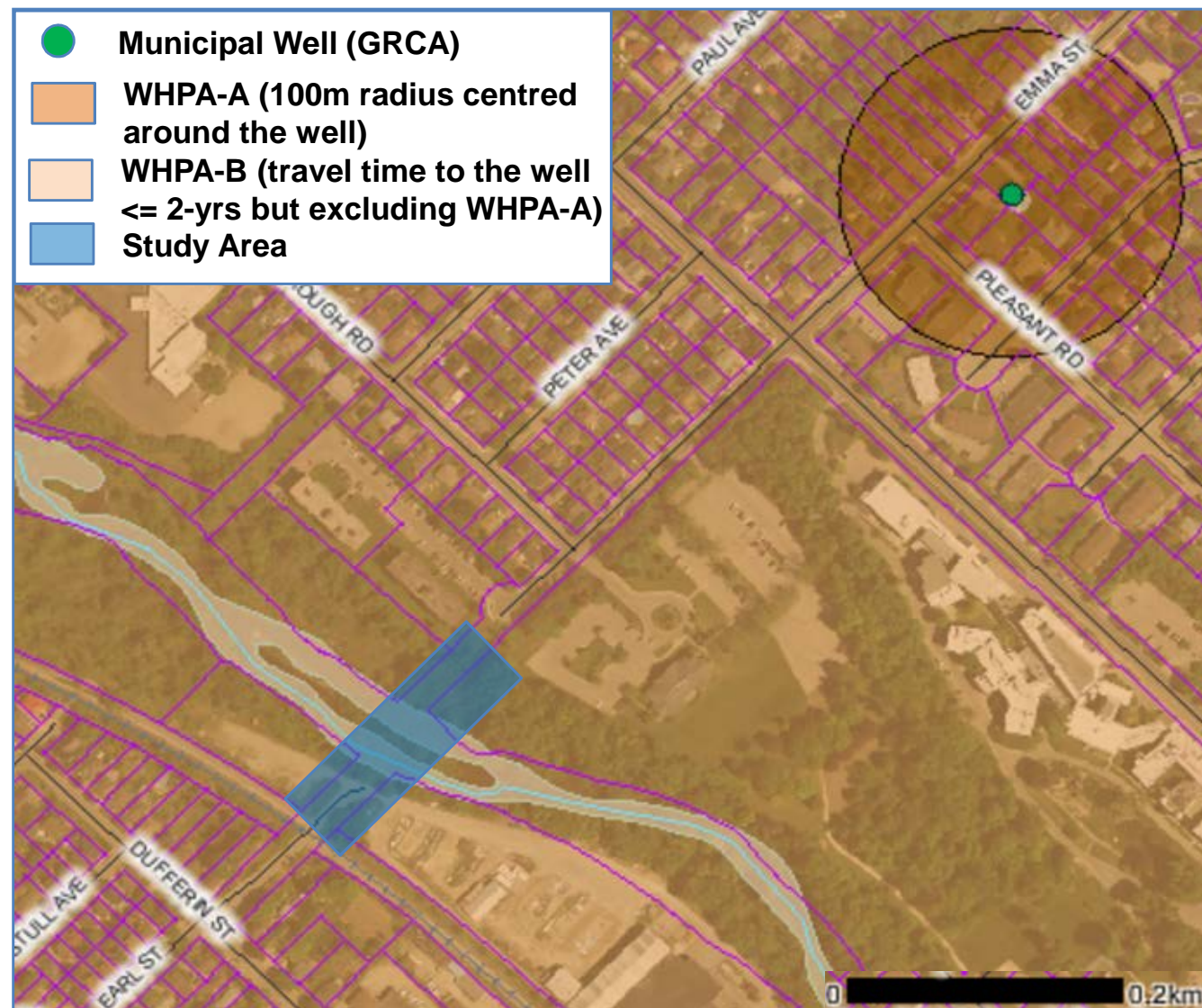


Cut-Leaved Coneflower

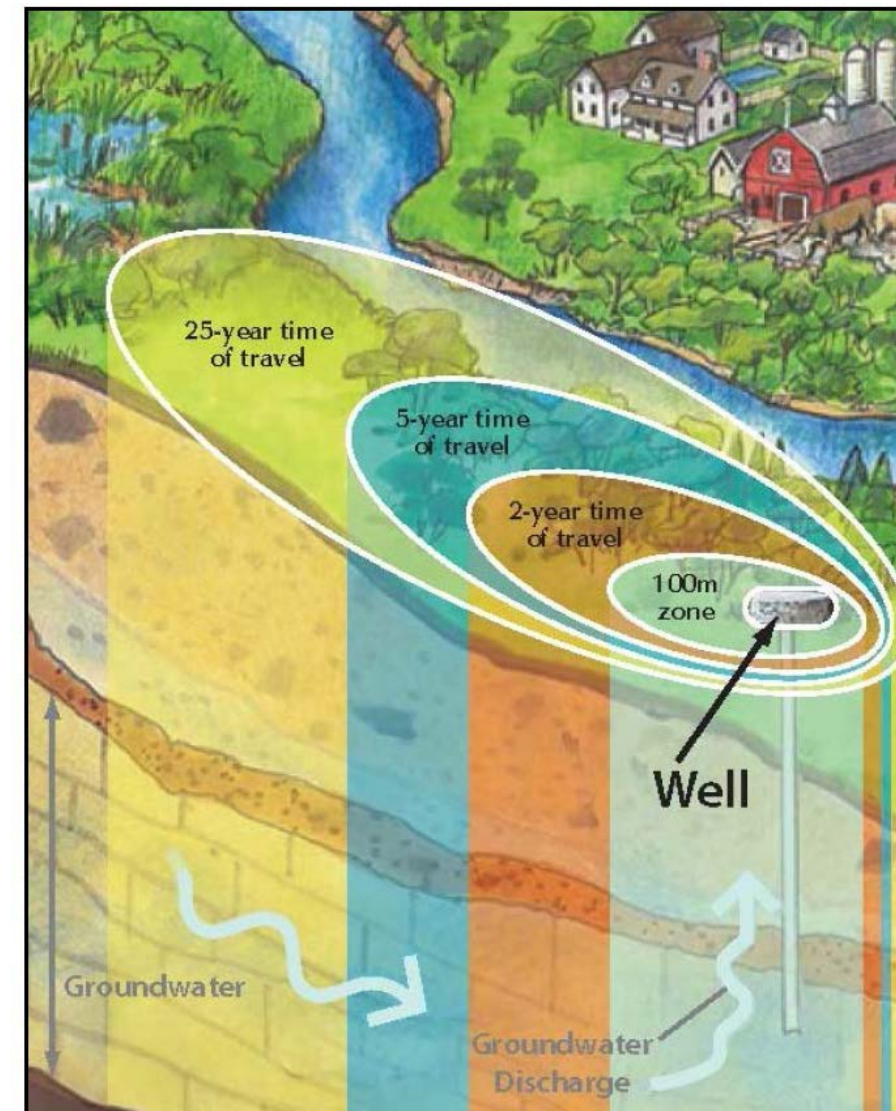
SOURCE WATER PROTECTION

The Provincial Policy Statement (2014) contains policies that protect Ontario's natural heritage and water resources, including designated vulnerable areas mapped in source water protection assessment reports under the *Clean Water Act* (CWA).

The study area is defined as a Vulnerable Area for Groundwater, with a municipal well ~400m from study area.

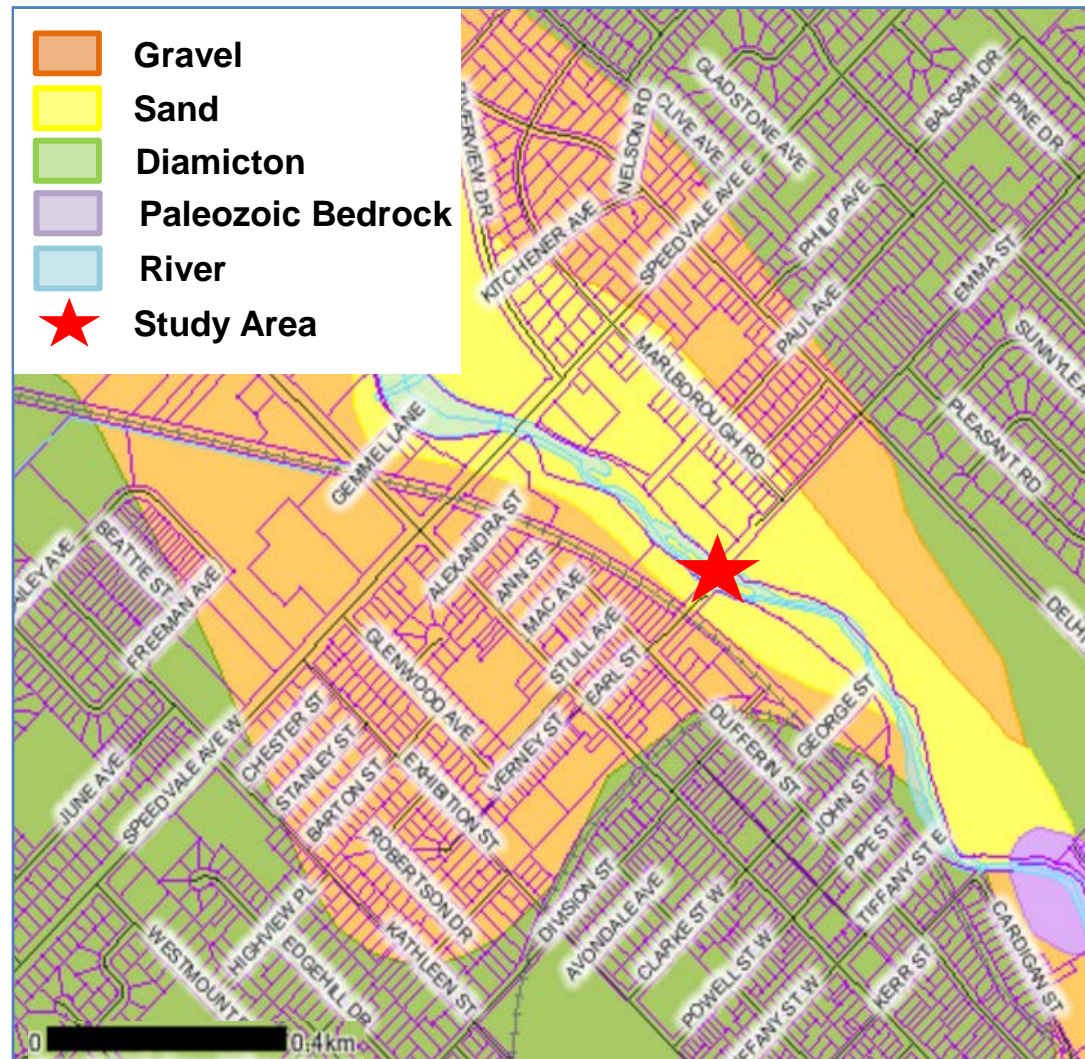


Wellhead Protection Area (WHPA) (GRCA)

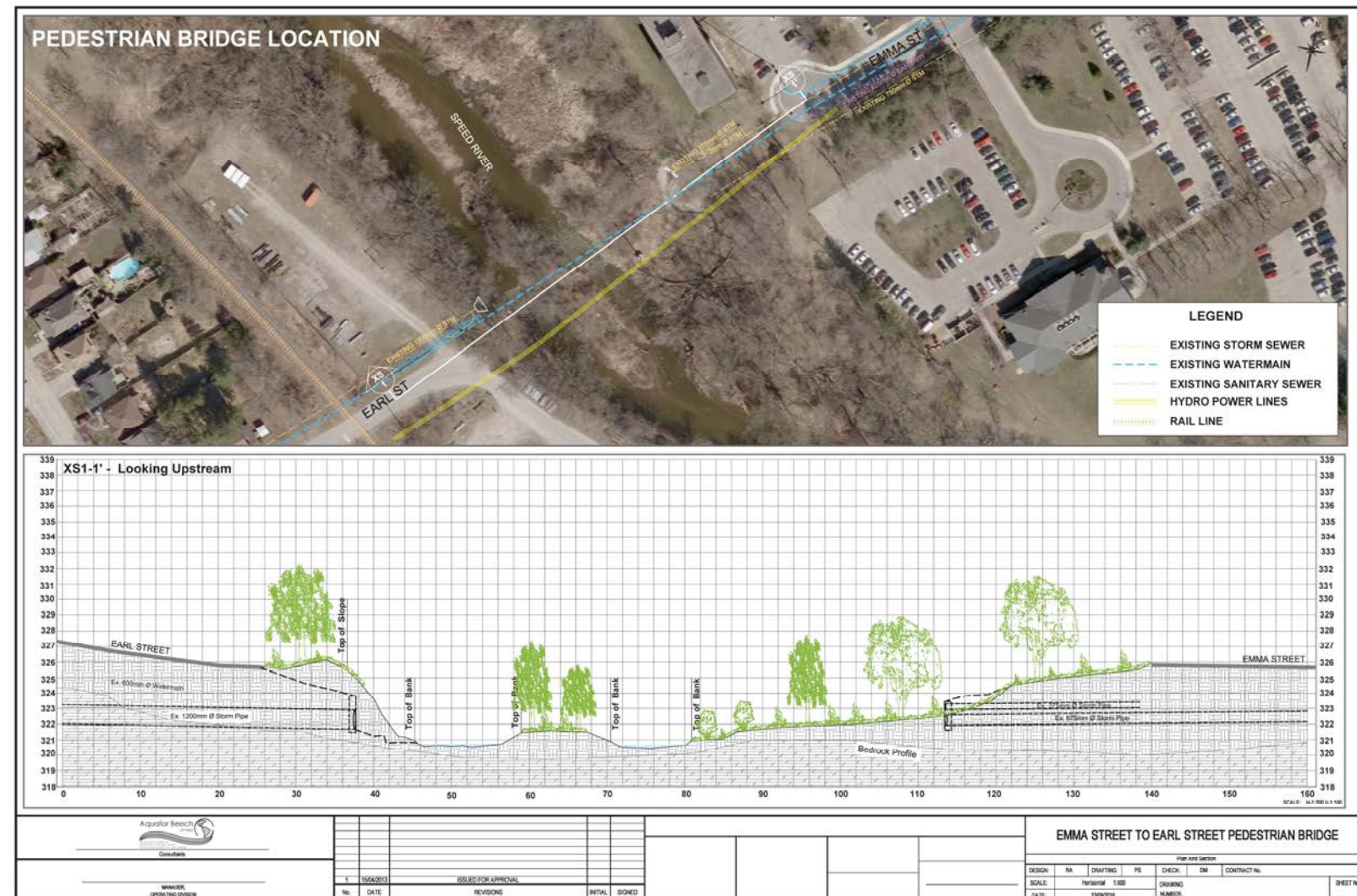


GEOLOGY

The maps below illustrate the soil composition and bedrock elevation at the study area.



Surficial Geology Map (GRCA)

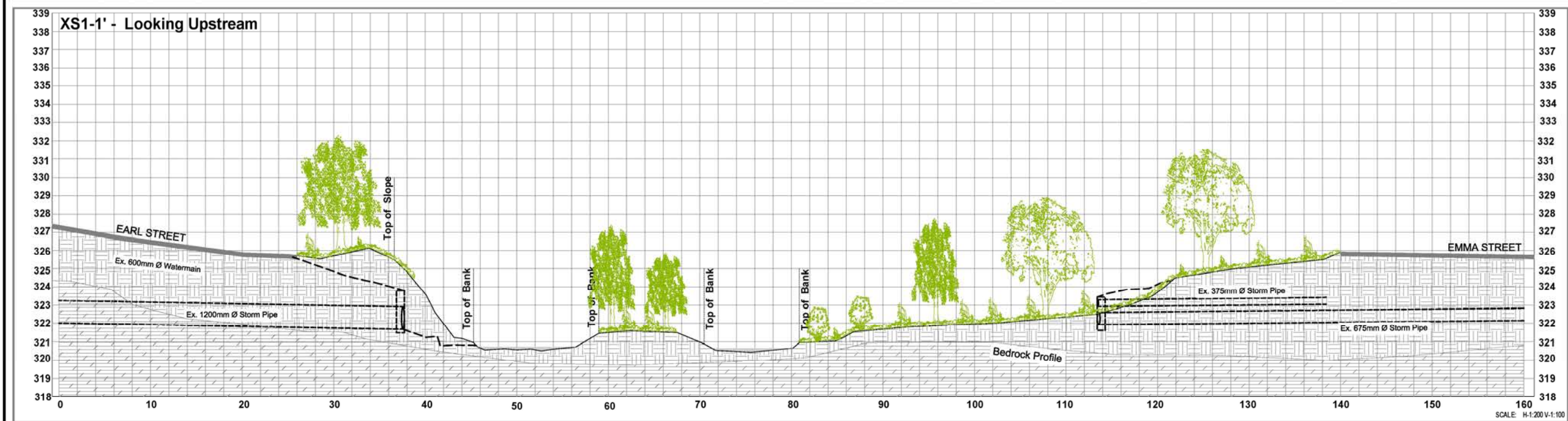
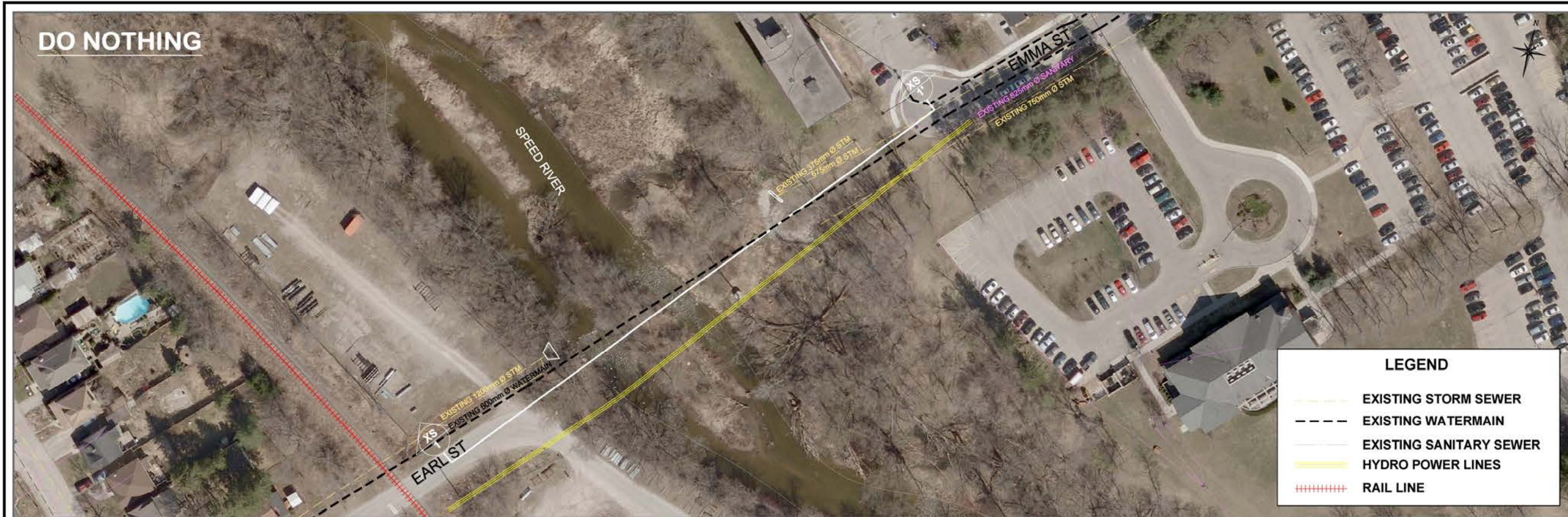


Bedrock Elevation	315 – 326.5 m	Source: MNDM and City of Guelph
Surficial Geology	Mainly Sand	Source: GRCA GRIN mapping tool

Assessment of Alternatives – Null Alternative / Do Nothing



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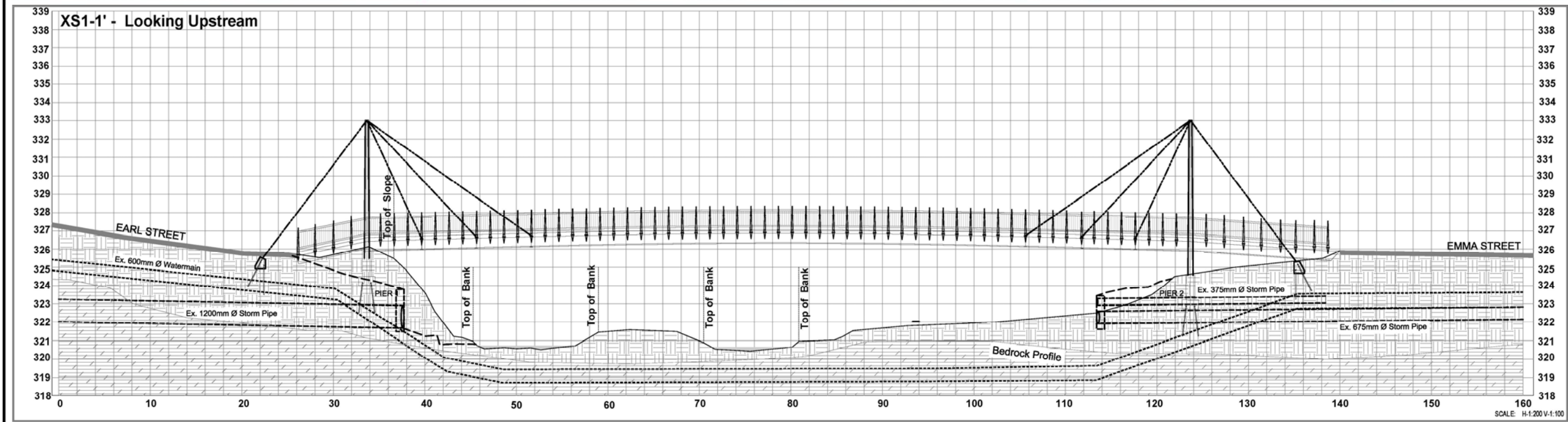


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ALTERNATIVE 1 – STEEL CABLE SINGLE SPAN BRIDGE



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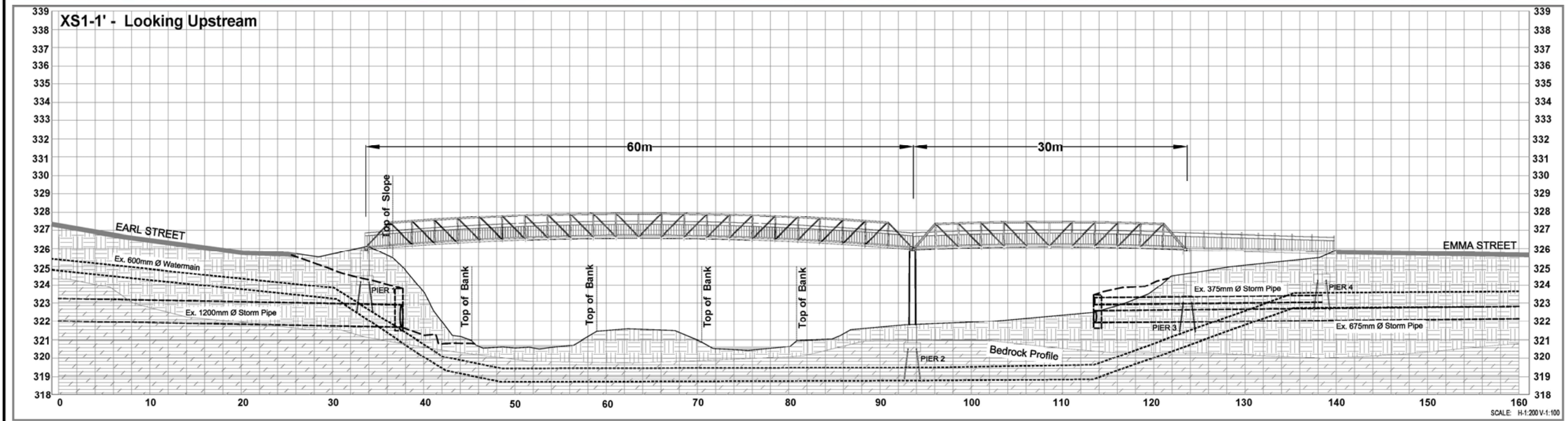
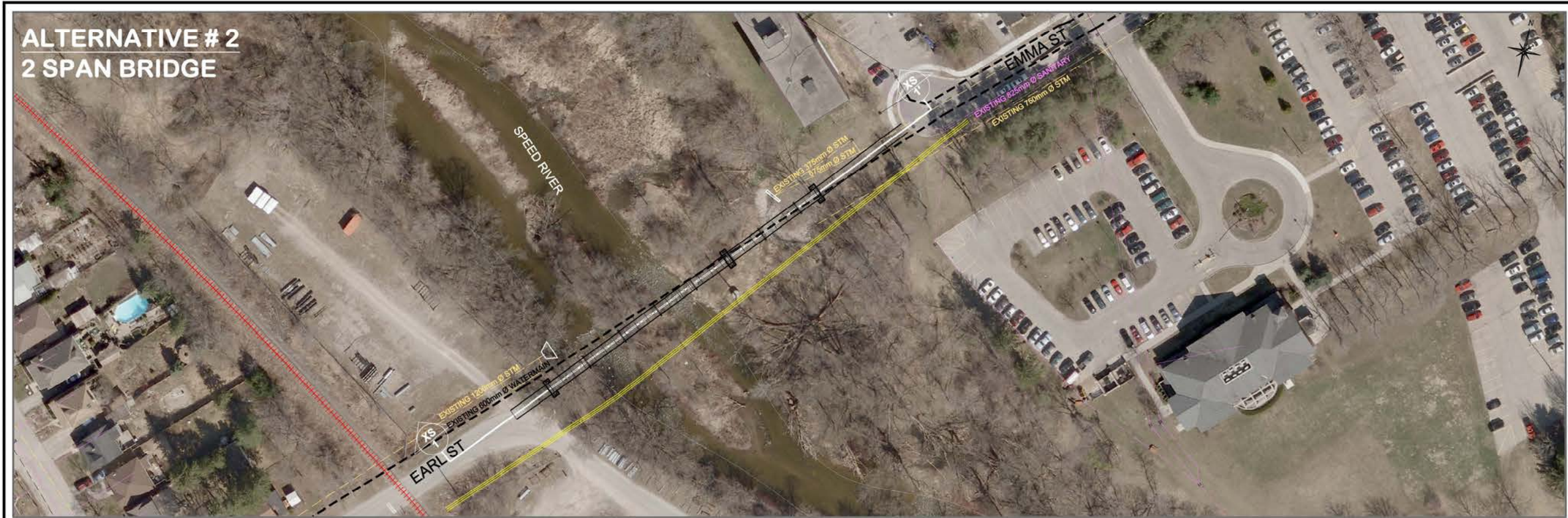
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ALTERNATIVE 2 – TWO-SPAN STEEL TRUSS BRIDGE



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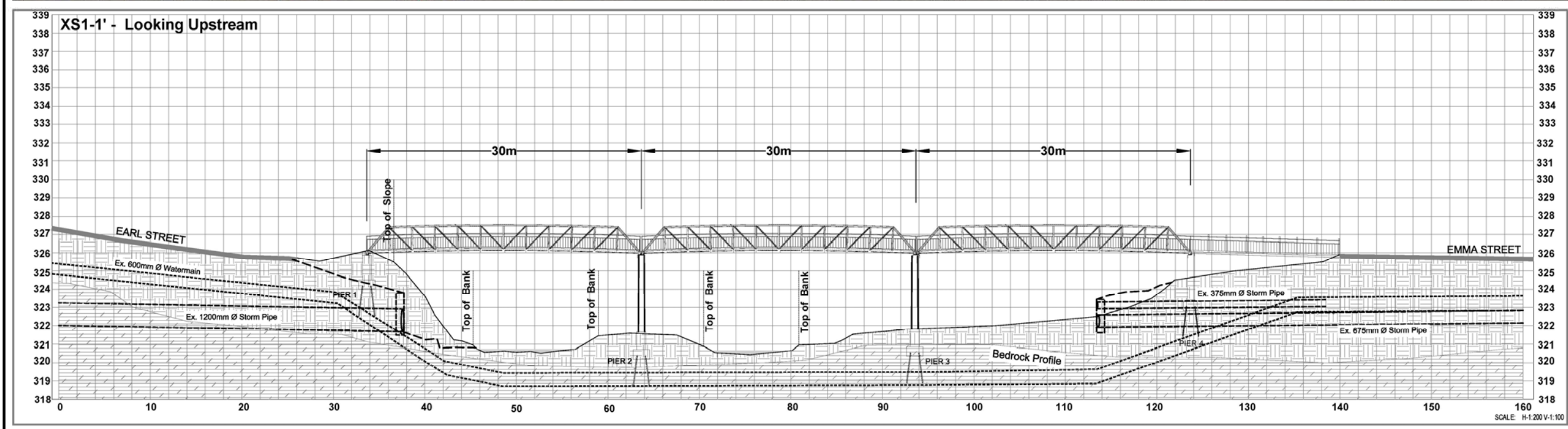
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ALTERNATIVE 3 – THREE-SPAN STEEL TRUSS BRIDGE



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ALTERNATIVE EVALUATION CRITERIA



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The following criteria are used to evaluate each alternative. It will help determine which alternative should be selected as the preliminary preferred alternative.

Comment sheets are provided to collect public feedback on the evaluation criteria and preliminary evaluation.

Physical & Natural Criteria

- Hydraulics & Flooding
- Aquatic Habitat
- Terrestrial Habitat

Technical Criteria

- Impacts on existing infrastructure
- Lifespan of work

Social & Cultural Criteria

- Public Safety
- Landowner Impacts
- Benefits to Community
- Cultural & Archaeological Impacts

Economic & Costing Criteria

- Capital costs (engineering, land and construction)
- Annual operating and maintenance costs
- Life cycle cost

PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVE EVALUATION



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EVALUATION CRITERIA		Null Alternative - Do Nothing		Alt 1 - Steel Cable Suspension - Single Span		Alt 2 - Steel Box Truss - Double Span		Alt 3 - Steel Box Truss - Triple Span	
		Score	Explanation	Score	Explanation	Score	Explanation	Score	Explanation
Physical and Natural Criteria		12		9		6		3	
Hydraulics & Flooding	Impact on conveyance of the Speed River	4	Existing hydraulic conveyance maintained	3	Minimal impacts on hydraulic conveyance, only under extreme flood scenarios	2	Potential impact under extreme flood scenarios with single pier in floodplain	1	Most significant impact with two piers in floodplain / channel
Aquatic Habitat	Impact on aquatic habitat	4	No impacts to warmwater fish species	3	Minimal impact on aquatic habitat	2	Some impact on aquatic habitat due to single pier construction.	1	Most significant impact on aquatic habitat due to two piers in channel
Terrestrial Habitat	Impact on connectivity, diversity and quantity/quality of habitat	4	No impacts to terrestrial habitat and vegetation	3	Removal of mature vegetation and habitat within bridge span	2	Some disturbance to terrestrial habitat during construction.	1	Most significant disturbance to terrestrial habitat during construction.
Social and Cultural Criteria		4		13		11		10	
Public Safety	Impact on public safety	0	Crossing alternative at Speedvale puts users in close proximity to high speed vehicles	4	Allows for separation between Speedvale traffic and recreational users	4	Allows for separation between Speedvale traffic and recreational users	4	Allows for separation between Speedvale traffic and recreational users
Landowner Impacts	Impact on City of Guelph road right of way and adjacent landowners	1	Council resolution for bridge consideration not implemented	2	Increased pedestrian & cyclist traffic to low volume Earl and Emma Streets. Sidewalks along Earl Street	2	Increased pedestrian & cyclist traffic to low volume Earl and Emma Streets. Sidewalks along Earl Street	2	Increased pedestrian & cyclist traffic to low volume Earl and Emma Streets. Sidewalks along Earl Street
Benefit to Community	Access to trails, enjoyment of surrounding lands	0	Reduced opportunities for access to Downtown Trail	4	Connection to Downtown Trail, hospital, Bullfrog Park/Mall	4	Connection to Downtown Trail, hospital, Bullfrog Park/Mall	4	Connection to Downtown Trail, hospital, Bullfrog Park/Mall
Cultural & Archaeological Impacts	Impact on areas of archaeological potential or built or cultural heritage resources	3	No impacts to existing heritage potential	3	Impacts associated with construction generally contained beyond top of bank	1	Disturbance to area of potential archaeological significance	0	Most significant disturbance to area of potential archaeological significance
Technical and Engineering Criteria		6		6		6		4	
Impact on Existing Infrastructure	Potential impacts on existing infrastructure (watermain, storm sewer, hydro, roadway)	4	No impacts on existing infrastructure	3	Some interaction and conflict with existing infrastructure	3	Some interaction and conflict with existing infrastructure	2	Most interaction and conflict with existing infrastructure
Lifespan of Works	Expected lifespan of alternative	2	No lifespan considerations	3	Bridge design for ~50 year timeframe	3	Bridge design for ~50 year timeframe	2	Minor reduction in lifespan due to interaction with river
Economic Criteria		4		1		5		5	
Capital Costs	One time cost to City	2	No capital costs, however, Speedvale Ave alteration may be required	0	Highest costs associated with single span suspension bridge	2	Moderate costs associated with double span box truss	3	Lowest costs associated with three span box truss
Operations & Maintenance Costs	Requirement for regular, irregular or no maintenance activities	2	No O&M costs, however, Speedvale Ave may be impacted	1	Most maintenance to confirm safety	3	Minimal maintenance, 3 year monitoring program	2	Some additional maintenance may be required due to two bridge piers
TOTAL SCORE		26		29		28		22	

Ranking Scale						
No / Negative Impact	0	1	2	3	4	Ideal / Most Positive Impact

PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVE EVALUATION OVERVIEW



Emma St to Earl St Pedestrian Bridge
Class Environmental Assessment

From a **Natural Environment perspective**, **Alternative 1 - Steel Cable Single Span Bridge** is the preferred alternative as it presents the least amount of impacts, with the exception of the null alternative. This alternative is considered to meet the spirit and intent of City of Guelph's Natural Heritage policy.

From an **Economic** perspective, Alternative 2 & 3 rank the highest, with the most significant costing associated with Alternative 1.

From a **Social and Cultural** perspective, Alternative 1 ranks the highest, followed by Alternative 2 and Alternative 3.

From a **Technical** perspective, the Null Alternative, along with Alternatives 1 & 2 rank the highest.

The preliminary ranking suggests Alternative 1 – Steel Cable Single Span Bridge as the preferred option.

Comment sheets are provided to collect public feedback on the preliminary evaluation and preferred alternative.

NEXT STEPS

PUBLIC CONSULTATION – June, 2017

- Comment forms available for feedback.
- Compile and review feedback. Confirm alternative evaluation and the preferred alternative.

SUBMIT EA PROJECT FILE AND OBTAIN AGENCY APPROVALS – September, 2017

- Submit Project File Report to Ministry of Environment and Climate Change for 30 – day review.

DETAILED DESIGN & IMPLEMENTATION

- Construction timing dependant on City of Guelph' Capital Planning.

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