

INFORMATION ITEMS

Week Ending February 13, 2015

REPORTS

1. None

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Ontario Ministry of Transportation regarding Consultation on Ontario's Default Speed Limit

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

1. None

ITEMS AVAILABLE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE

1. None

Ministry of Transportation

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

29 January 2015

Clerk's Office
The City of Guelph
1 Carden Street
Guelph, ON N1H 3A1

Dear Clerk's Office,

RE: Consultation on Ontario's Default Speed Limit

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is seeking stakeholder input on whether to consider changing the default speed limit for local roads within urban areas. As a representative of The City of Guelph, we welcome your comments and invite you to participate in the consultation activities for Ontario's default speed limit.

The current default maximum speed limit for local roads within urban areas in Ontario is 50 km/h. MTO would like to consult with stakeholders on the following options:

- + Maintain current default speed limit of 50 km/h;
- + Through a legislative change, reduce the default speed limit from 50 km/h to 40 km/h;
- + Through a legislative change, permit municipalities to set a default speed limit of 50 km/h or 40 km/h inside municipal boundaries, and require the posting of a sign at each entry point of the municipality; or
- + Through a legislative change, permit municipalities to set a different default speed limit inside municipal boundaries or neighbourhoods, and require the posting of a sign at each entry point of the municipality/neighbourhood.

You are invited to provide comments and/or complete a questionnaire available on-line at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SpeedLimitOntario> by February 27, 2015.

Following the public comment period, MTO will host a series of workshops to consult with municipalities and various stakeholders regarding the options under consideration for a potential change to the default speed limit. Stakeholder workshops are currently scheduled for March, 2015. Each workshop will be held in a different geographic jurisdiction of MTO (e.g., Central, Eastern and Southwestern and Northern Ontario).

You are encouraged to provide comments and/or complete the on-line questionnaire, and/or attend a stakeholder workshop on these possible changes to the default speed limit. I kindly ask you to complete and forward the attached workshop reply form indicating your interest in participating in future workshops by February 27, 2014 to me as follows:

Roger De Gannes
Head, Traffic Operations
Traffic Office
Ministry of Transportation Ontario
2nd Floor, 301 St. Paul Street
St. Catharines, Ontario L2R 7R4
Phone: (905) 704-2947
Email: Roger.DeGannes@mto.gov.on.ca

Thank you in advance for your input. We welcome and appreciate your feedback. Should you have any questions or difficulty accessing the on-line questionnaire, please do not hesitate to contact me at 905-704-2947 or by email at Roger.DeGannes@mto.gov.on.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roger De Gannes". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Roger De Gannes
Head, Traffic Operations

REPLY FORM (Please print)

RE: Consultation on Ontario's Default Speed Limit

Date: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Email: _____

Do you wish to participate in workshops on the default speed limit in Ontario?

(Circle yes or no)

Yes

No

Comments: _____

Please return this form to the contact below by February 27, 2015:

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