### **Gordie Howe International Bridge**



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### What is the need?

Redundancy
Capacity
Border processing capabilities
System connectivity



### What is Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority?

- A not-for-profit Canadian Crown corporation created in 2012
- Reports to the Canadian Government through the Minister of Infrastructure and Communities
- Manages the procurement process for the design, construction, financing, operation and maintenance of the new bridge through a publicprivate partnership (P3)
- Will oversee the work of the P3 partner and will manage the project agreement and payments

# Project Collaboration: Working with Michigan

- MDOT and the Governor's Office are active participants in the planning and in advance of the Gordie Howe International Bridge.
- Michigan's participation in the project is vital and MDOT plays a key role in the delivery of the project which includes supporting WDBA in:
  - US property acquisition
  - US utility relocation
  - Coordinating activities
  - P3 procurement process
  - US stakeholder interactions and community outreach initiatives.
- The Gordie Howe International Bridge will be publicly-owned by the Government of Canada and the State of Michigan.





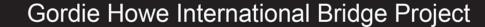




Canada Border Services Agency Agence des services frontaliers du Canada







### **Consultation and Communication**

Public consultation will continue in Canada and the US throughout the project phases. The DRIC study identified many items that require public consultation prior to implementation.

#### **Topics**

Aesthetics, Lighting, Visual Effects

**Sediment Erosion** 

**Air Quality** 

Species at Risk/Invasive Species/Wildlife/Migratory Birds

**Archaeology** 

**Traffic/Local Roads** 

Fish/Aquatics

**Vegetation/Trees** 

Infrastructure

**Vibration** 

Noise

**Waste/Spills/Excavated Materials** 

**Pedestrians/Bicycling Bridges at Michigan Interchange** 

Water Quality/Groundwater/Stormwater/Surface Water

#### When?

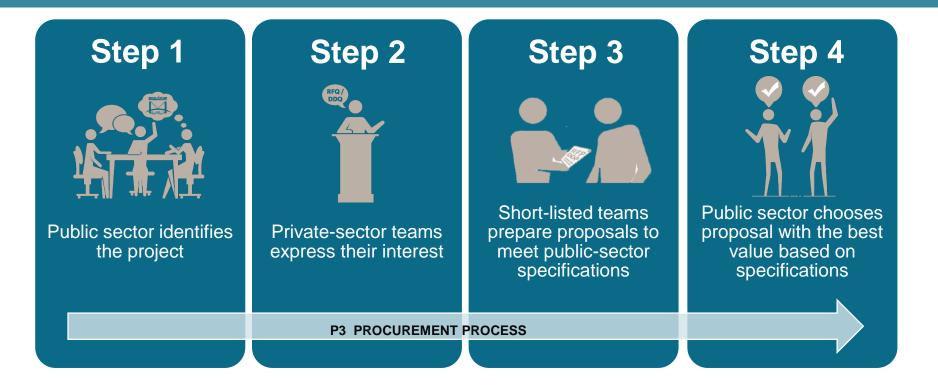
Consultation will occur throughout the Design and Build phases of the project

**Design Phase** 

**Build Phase** 

### The Procurement Process: Overview

WDBA's procurement process is designed to choose a private-sector partner with the skills, experiences and resources necessary to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Gordie Howe International Bridge project.



### **Preferred Proponent**



### **Private-Sector Partner Responsibilities**

WDBA's private-sector partner will be responsible to design, build, finance, operate and maintain the Canadian and US Ports of Entry and the bridge and to design, build and finance the Michigan Interchange. Michigan will be responsible for the operations and maintenance of the Michigan Interchange.











Design

**Build** 

**Finance** 

**Operate** 

**Maintain** 

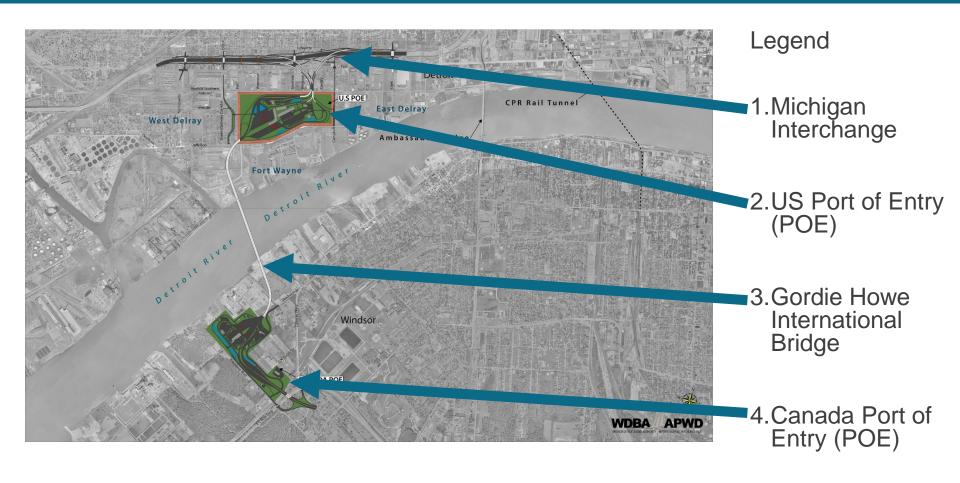
### **Proposals Evaluation**

- The technical and financial proposals were evaluated by subject-matter experts with extensive engineering and financial, and legal expertise.
- Technical score and financial score combined.
- WDBA looked for the proposal that best met the requirements set out in the RFP and provides the best value to deliver the project requirements.
- Proponent with highest overall score is the Preferred Proponent.

### **Evaluation Principals**

- Independent and Unbiased
- Conducted by experts and overseen by professionals
- Segregation of Information
- Transparent and Confidential

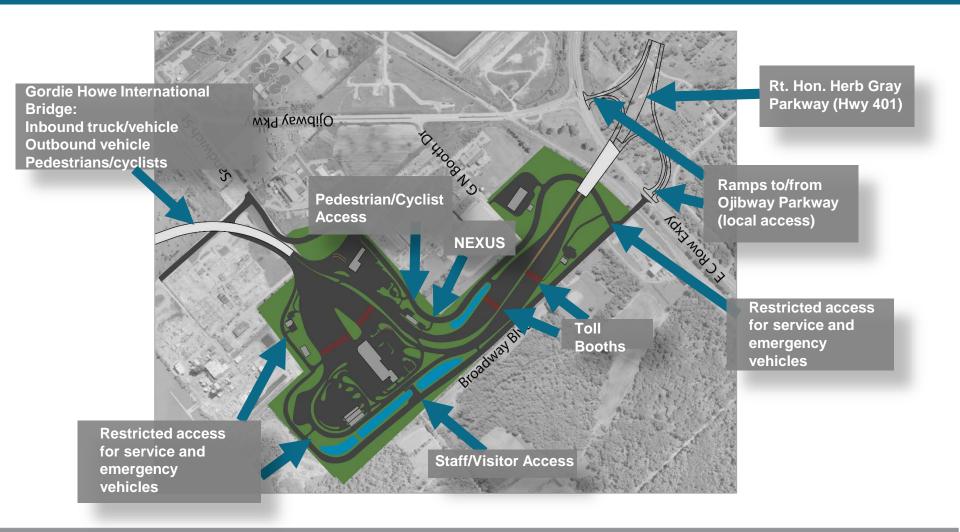
## **Project Components**



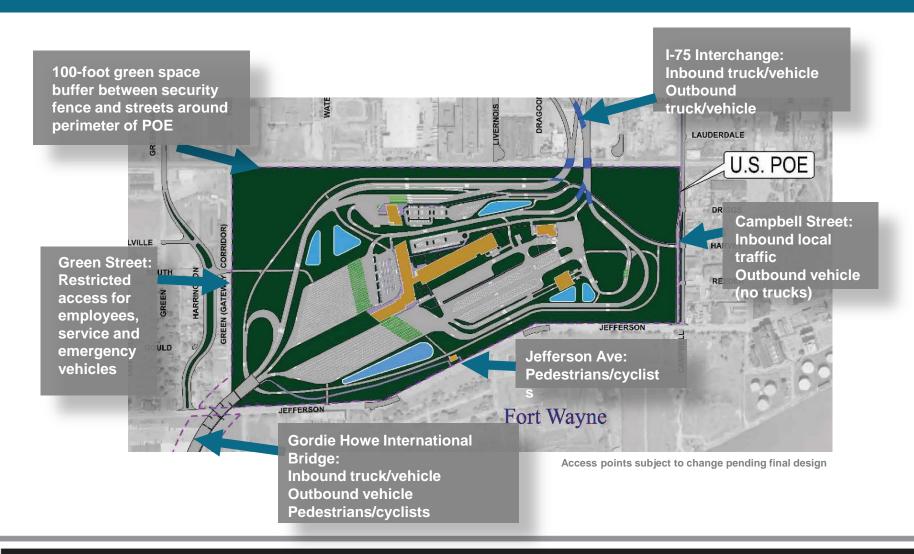
### The Bridge



# Canadian Traffic Patterns: Anticipated Access Points



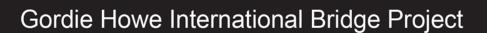
# US Traffic Patterns: Anticipated Access Points



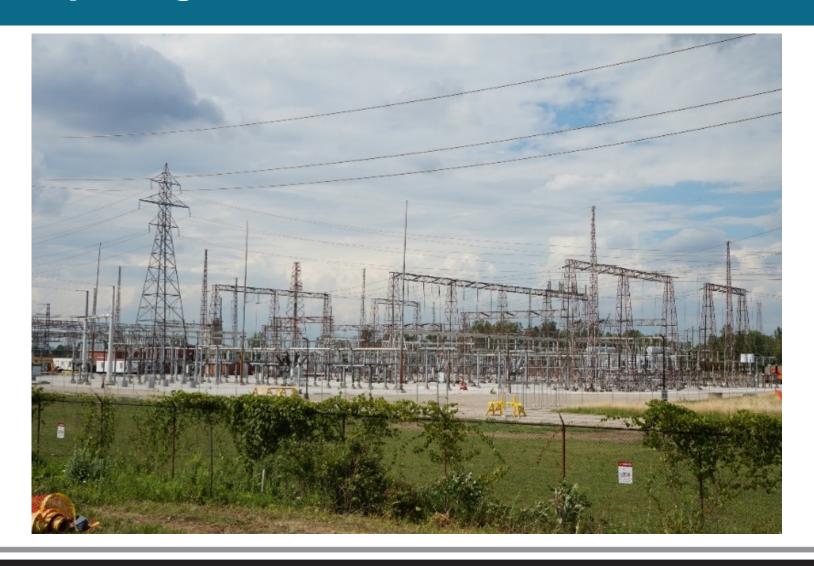
# Preparing the Canadian Site: Phase One







## **Preparing the Canadian Site: Phase Two**



# Connecting to the Rt. Hon. Herb Gray Parkway



## **US Works: Property Acquisition**

- 636 land parcels are required for the Gordie Howe International Bridge project.
- To date, MDOT has acquired and/or has control of 95 per cent of the required parcels.
- Relocation assistance and support will continue to be provided.
- The condemnation process will be carried out as needed on a parcelby-parcel basis.

#### **Property by the Numbers**

636 total land parcels required

211 residential relocations required

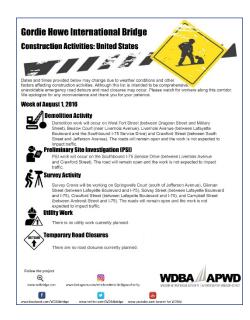
88 business relocations required

95 per cent of total property acquired/in control

256 structures demolished or in demolition process as of July 16, 2018

### **US Works: Utility Relocation**

- Utilities located within the US Port of Entry footprint and the land required for the bridge footings require relocation.
- Many utilities are completing the relocation work themselves or through their preferred contractor.
- Private utility relocation work will occur with no anticipated service interruptions.
- All utility relocation work (Permitted Activity) must comply with municipal guidelines and procedures for notifications, hours of work, noise and disposal of materials as outlined in the permitting documents.



WDBA posts weekly Construction Notices online and at various community locations in Windsor and Detroit regarding upcoming work

### **US Advance Construction Groundbreaking**



### Mitigation Elements: What to Expect

In accordance with commitments made during the Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) study, the following mitigation elements were identified for inclusion during construction of the US components of the Gordie Howe International Bridge:

- 100- ft landscaped buffer to be incorporated in the lands surrounding the perimeter fencing of the Port of Entry.
- Existing trees will be preserved where possible and landscaping will emphasize the incorporation of native species.
- Fence installation surrounding the Port of Entry lands.
- Noise barriers to be installed in locations identified through the DRIC study.
- Port of Entry lighting will minimize impacts to adjacent residents and wildlife.
- Stormwater management facilities will be constructed within the project footprint to ensure adequate site drainage.



The community will continue to have consultation opportunities with the P3 partner during design and construction phases of the Gordie Howe International Bridge project.

### **Construction Zone Safety**

- Construction is underway, and truck drivers, motorists, pedestrians and cyclist alike need to be prepared.
- Construction zones are dangerous places whether workers are present or not.
- Any entry into the construction site is considered trespassing.
- For your safety and the safety of the workers, please do not enter from adjacent sidewalks, parks or neighbourhoods.



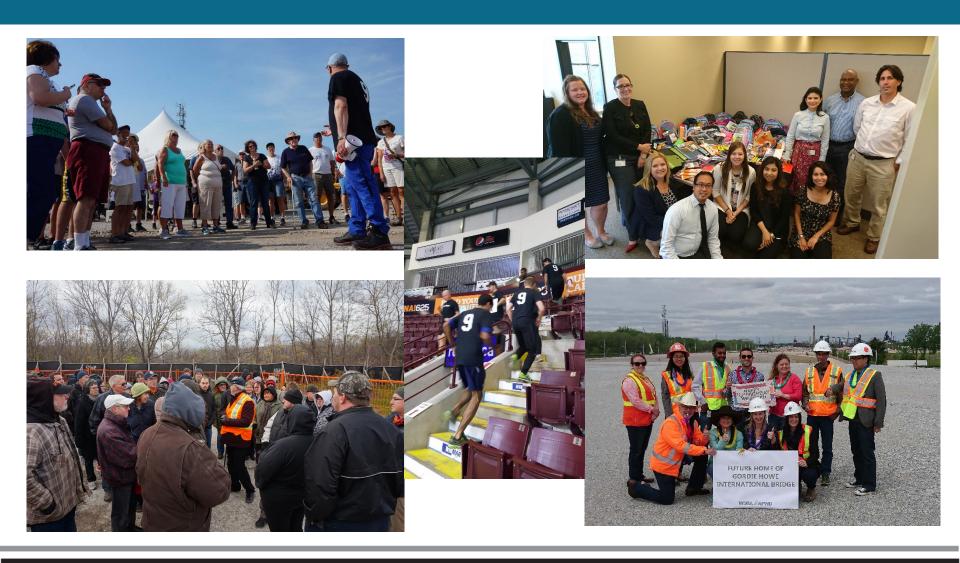
### **Community Benefits Plan**

Canadian and US consultation suggests the following

regional priorities:



## **WDBA** in the Community



## **WDBA** in the Community













# **Engaging Youth**













### **Preparing for Jobs**



Regional hiring is anticipated for jobs on both sides of the border



Local subcontractors offer the private-sector partner benefits such as proven experience with local labour pools and knowledge of local conditions



A local employment planning council completed a study of jobs most likely in demand for the project: www.workforcewindsoressex.com



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# Preparing for Jobs: Construction and Beyond

- Construction jobs will last several years
- Operations jobs will be ongoing and include roles such as landscaping, security, maintenance, etc.
- Both phases will provide opportunities for businesses that supply goods, materials and services for the project

### Workforce preparation:

- Security clearances
- Trade certification
- Health and safety awareness/training
- Past experience in similar roles
- References of past jobs/contacts

### **Next Steps**

- Early Work
  - Advance construction in Michigan
  - Timing: July
- Financial Close
  - Negotiate partnership details
  - Execute Project Agreement (contract for next 30 years)
  - Timing: by end of September
- Start of Construction
  - Begin major construction
  - Timing: Fall 2018

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