

## Notice of Study Commencement

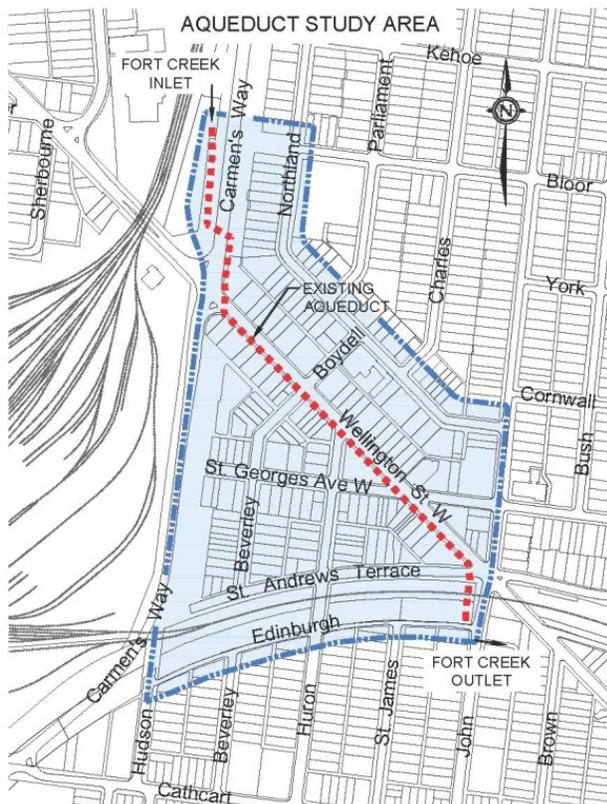
### Fort Creek Aqueduct Improvements through Steelton Class Environmental Assessment Study

#### The Study

The City of Sault Ste Marie has initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the upgrading or replacement of the Fort Creek Aqueduct along Wellington Street West through the Steelton area. The creek was channelized into a large concrete box culvert around 1912-1913 and is located under the south sidewalk on Wellington Street West. The existing aqueduct has structural deficiencies and portions may be undersized to carry major rainfall events.

#### The Process

The project is being planned under **Schedule B** of the **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment**.



A key component of the study will be consultation with interested stakeholders (public and review agencies). A Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held at City Hall at a date to be announced, to present the project and consult with interested parties on the scope of the works, evaluation of alternatives, assessment of impacts of the proposed undertaking and identification of reasonable measures to mitigate any adverse impact. Upon completion of the study, a Project File will be prepared for public review and comment. Subject to comments received and the receipt of necessary approvals, the City intends to proceed with the planning, design and reconstruction/replacement of the aqueduct along either the existing route or an alternative route.

## **How to Get Involved**

Public consultation is invited. The City of Sault Ste Marie wants to ensure that anyone interested in this study has the opportunity to get involved and provide input before any decisions are made on design and implementation. To get involved in the study you can contact us at any time to express your interest and/or be added to the study contact list or interested persons can attend the PIC once scheduled. All property owners on the existing route of the aqueduct have been placed on the contact list already.

***Further details regarding the PIC including the time and location will be advertised and mailed to those on the contact list in a subsequent notice, in the coming months.***

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