

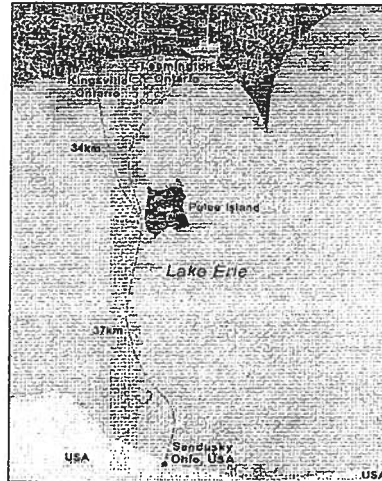
NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT FOR PELEE ISLAND TRANSPORTATION NEEDS STUDY

THE STUDY

On behalf of the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), AECOM is beginning a study to identify current and future challenges, deficiencies and opportunities for transportation services linking Pelee Island to mainland Ontario.

The study will identify and assess existing and future service needs for transporting people and goods, including passenger and cargo capacity, service frequency and scheduling, port facilities and passenger amenities. In consultation with the Township of Pelee, the public, local municipalities and government agencies, transportation service alternatives will be generated and evaluated based on a range of technical and environmental factors. The project outcome will be a sustainable transportation plan for services linking Pelee Island to mainland Ontario.

Public involvement is important to the success of the study. Key elements of the consultation process include winter and spring travel surveys, release of reports for stakeholder review and comment, and a round of Public Information Centres (PICs). The PICs are tentatively scheduled for summer 2010, with venues on Pelee Island, in Leamington and in Kingsville. Notification and details of the times and locations of the PICs and of project materials available for review will be published in local newspapers and mailed to Canadian and U.S. stakeholders on the study mailing list.



COMMENTS

Comments and information regarding this project will be collected throughout the study. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record. This study is not being conducted under the provisions of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, though components of services or facilities recommended by this study may be subject to Environmental Assessment in the future, if applicable.

To obtain additional information, provide initial comments, or to be placed on the study mailing list, please contact the Project Team as follows:

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