



Fact Sheet # 6: Craig Road Extension

- 1) The need for the extension of Craig Road from Russel Rd to County Rd 27 was identified in the 2008/09 Midhurst Master Plan and has been re-confirmed in the Traffic Study completed as part of Phase 3 of this Class EA.
- 2) The extension of Craig Road from Russel Rd to County Rd 27 will create a main arterial road that provides a direct, controlled access connection between several Provincial Highways that are regionally significant north-south traffic corridors. These include:
 - Highway 400;
 - Highway 26/County Road 27; &
 - Highway 93 / Penetanguishene Road.This link also provides an effective access corridor for proposed developments along Doran Road and Russell Road.
- 3) As a direct connection between two regionally significant north-south traffic corridors the Craig Road extension will act as a regionally-significant link in the area transportation system. In this regard Craig Road could serve to accommodate future growth expected in regional traffic by providing a key distributor role between the major transportation corridors in the area, namely County Road 27, Highway 400, and Highway 93.
- 4) This new arterial road will provide a main alternative to traffic that is currently taking the Forbes Road exit off Hwy 400 and meandering through the existing roads in Midhurst, when south bound traffic on the Hwy 400 is backed up approaching Barrie on holiday weekends.
- 5) Further to the comments received during and following the Public Information Centre (PIC) we are now proposing that:
 - a) Alternative No. 3 be identified as the Recommended Solution of the proposed route for Craig Road Extension. For details on Alternative No. 3 see page 3.
 - b) The construction of Craig Road Extension, from Russell to County Rd 27, be completed in conjunction with the first Stage of development.
- 6) This proposed alignment (Alternative No. 3) will have no impact on the existing trails in the area and in particular the Ganarska Trail. In addition, the proposed design for Craig Road Extension allows for the construction of a multi-use trail that could provide additional interconnection with the existing trail systems.



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- 7) The extension of Craig Road from Russel Road to County Rd 27 is included in the current Development Charges, whereby it is identified that 100% of the costs will come from Development Charges collected from the Development Community. Therefore, the existing residents will not be responsible for paying for Craig Road Extension.



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