

The Regional Municipality of Durham COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE December 2, 2016

Information Reports

There are no Information Reports.

Early Release Reports

There are no Early Release Reports.

Staff Correspondence

There is no Staff Correspondence.

Durham Municipalities Correspondence

 Town of Ajax – Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on November 21, 2016, regarding Charter for Inclusive Communities

Other Municipalities Correspondence/Resolutions (For Information)

There are no Other Municipalities Correspondence/Resolutions.

<u>Miscellaneous Correspondence</u> (For Information)

- 1. Ontario Good Roads Association emailing their Final Call for Nominations for the 2017/18 term of the Board of Directors of the Ontario Good Roads Association.
- 2. Metrolinx emailing a project update regarding the GO Rail Network Electrification environmental assessment.

Advisory Committee Minutes (For Information)

- 1. Durham Region Roundtable on Climate Change (DRRCC) minutes October 14, 2016
- 2. 9-1-1 Management Board minutes October 31, 2016
- 3. Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee (DAAC) minutes November 1, 2016

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2097.

Action Items from Council (For Information Only)

Action Items from Committee of the Whole and Regional Council meetings

Members of Council – Please advise the Regional Clerk at <u>clerks@durham.ca</u> by 9:00 AM on the Monday one week prior to the next regular Committee of the Whole meeting, if you wish to add an item from this CIP to the Committee of the Whole agenda.



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National Council of Canadian Muslims P.O. Box 13219 Ottawa, ON K2K 1X4

November 23, 2016

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Re: Charter for Inclusive Communities

Please be advised that the following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its Meeting held on November 21, 2016:

WHEREAS the Town of Ajax embraces diversity and total inclusion of all its residents; and

WHEREAS the Town has the largest visible minority population in the Region of Durham; and

WHEREAS 40 per cent of the population in the Town is comprised of visible minorities including Muslims; and

WHEREAS the recent rise of anti-Muslim incidents across Canada risks eroding the strength of our country's rich social fabric; and

WHEREAS when verbal, physical or online attacks are made toward Muslims our shared values of equality, respect, justice and dignity for all are threatened; and

WHEREAS hate crimes against Muslims have risen dramatically in recent years both in Canada, and around the world;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Ajax Council reaffirm support for an inclusive and welcoming community environment by supporting the National Council of Canadian Muslims' Charter for Inclusive Communities:

THAT Ajax Council encourage the Region of Durham and other municipal governments to support the Charter for Inclusive Communities to embrace people of all backgrounds; and

THAT this resolution be circulated to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to me, at alexander.harras@ajax.ca or 905-619-2529 ext. 3342

Sincerely

Alexander Harras Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

Copy: Association of Municipalities of Ontario
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All Municipalities in the Region of Durham
Diversity and Community Engagement Advisory Committee

From:

Ontario Good Roads Association < DoNotReply@ConnectedCommunity.org>

Sent:

November-29-16 7:49 AM

To:

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Subject:

Final Call for Nominations - OGRA Board of Directions 2017/18

Attached is the Final Call for Nominations for the 2017/18 term of the Board of Directors of the Ontario Good Roads Association.

Final Call for Nominations - Form

Municipal Clerk:

Please place the attachment on an upcoming Council agenda.

Thanks,



J.W. Tiernay

Executive Director

Ontario Good Roads Association

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ONTARIO GOOD ROADS ASSOCIATION

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November 28, 2016

To the Head & Members of Council:

Re: Report of the OGRA Nominating Committee

The OGRA Nominating Committee met on November 23, 2016 and recommended a slate of candidates to the Board of Directors. The Board ratified the report as presented. The recommended slate is as follows:

Northern Zone	W1 (14)			
Antoine Boucher	Rick Harms			
Director of Public Works & Engineering	Project Engineer			
Municipality of East Ferris	City of Thunder Bay			
Paul Schoppmann				
Mayor				
Municipality of St. Charles				
Southwest Zone				
Andy Bruziewicz	Virginia Ridley			
Councillor	Councillor			
City of Sarnia	City of London			
Chris Traini				
County Engineer				
County of Middlesex				
South Central Zone				
Bryan Lewis	John McKean			
Councillor	Mayor			
Town of Halton Hills	Town of the Blue Mountains			
Southeast Zone				
Dave Burton	Rick Kester			
Reeve	CAO			
Municipality of Highlands East	City of Belleville			
Michael Touw				
Director of Public Works				
Township of Leeds and the Thousand				
Islands				
Toronto				
Paul Ainslie				
Councillor,				
City of Toronto				

The following current Board members do not have to be re-elected to the Board and will automatically assume the following positions effective March 1, 2017:

President - Ken Lauppé, Manager, Road Operations – East, City of Brampton 1st Vice President – Luc Duval, Director of Public Works & Engineering, City of Timmins

Immediate Past President – Robert Burlie, Manager of Road Operations, Etobicoke/York District, City of Toronto

The above will serve on the 2017-2018 Board of Directors making a total of 15 on the Board.

The above slate of candidates will be ratified at the Annual Conference to be held in February, 2017. If any municipal or First Nation member would still like to put their name forward for a position on the Board of Directors they must fill out and return the attached Nomination Form. All nominations must be postmarked or received by fax or e-mail no later than December 22, 2016 and sent to:

Rick Champagne, Chair Nominating Committee 1525 Cornwall Road Unit 22, Oakville, Ontario L6J 0B2

Fax:

289-291-6477

E-mail:

info@ogra.org

Please be advised that if any additional nominations are received by the deadline noted that an election will be required at the OGRA Conference.

Any questions regarding the Nomination process or serving on the Board of Directors can be directed to the undersigned at joe@ogra.org.

Yours truly.

J. W. Tiernay, Executive Director

c. Rick Champagne, Chair, Nominating Committee

Ontario Good Roads Association Board of Directors Nomination and Consent Form



We hereby nominate the following to the Board of Directors of the Ontario
Good Roads Association for the 2016/17 term of office:
Name of Candidate
Name:
Position:
Municipality:
Moved by:
Seconded by:
(Candidates must be nominated by two eligible members of OGRA. A resolution of Council is acceptable but not mandatory)

Candidate Consent				
The candidate nominated above must sign below indicating they consent to the Nomination and agree to let their name stand for office.				
I, hereby consent to the Nomination (Name of Candidate) to the Board of Directors of the Ontario Good Roads Association.				
Signature Date				

Submit completed form and candidate's résumé by fax or e-mail to the attention of Rick Champagne, Chair, OGRA Nominating Committee

Fax: 289-291-6477 E-mail: info@ogra.org From:

Dan Beare < Dan.Beare@metrolinx.com>

Sent:

November-28-16 4:36 PM

To:

'clerks@durham.ca'; 'jim.mcgilton@durham.ca'

Subject:

FW: Metrolinx Public Meetings Notice - November 2016

Attachments:

Metrolinx Public Meetings Notice_November 2016_FINAL.PDF; GO Network

Electrification TPAP_Municipal Package_Durham.pdf; Oshawa Roll Plan.pdf; Pickering

Roll Plan.pdf; Whitby Roll Plan.pdf; Ajax Roll Plan.pdf

Good afternoon,

This is a follow-up to the email sent on November 7, 2016 which provided a project update for the GO Rail Network Electrification environmental assessment.

If you have any questions, comments or feedback for the Project Team, please provide them to myself or James Hartley <u>james.hartley@metrolinx.com</u> by November 30, 2016.

Materials from the current round of Metrolinx public meetings are available online at:

https://www.metrolinxengage.com/en/engagement-initiatives/regional-open-houses-november-2016

Regards,

Dan

Dan Beare BES., MASc.

Project Coordinator, Environmental Programs & Assessment, Capital Projects Group

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From: Dan Beare

Sent: November-07-16 12:28 PM

To: 'clerks@durham.ca'; 'jim.mcgilton@durham.ca' **Cc:** 'patricia.staite@HydroOne.com'; Amber Saltarelli

Subject: RE: Metrolinx Public Meetings Notice - November 2016

Good afternoon,

As an update to the community open house notification you received last week, the GO Rail Network Electrification EA project team has prepared a project update (attached) containing information on the following:

- Upcoming Public Meetings
- Project Status
- Environmental Project Report (EPR)
- Traction Power Facilities
- Bridges
- Tree Compensation Approach
- Noise Mitigation
- Next Steps

The roll plans for your municipality are also attached, which will be shown at the community open houses.

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You will be receiving a copy of the draft EPR in December 2016/January 2017. Metrolinx is now targeting Winter/Spring 2017 for the TPAP Notice of Commencement, with TPAP Completion anticipated for Summer/Fall 2017.

For project updates please visit gotransit.com/electrification

Regards, Dan Beare

Dan Beare BES., MASc.

Project Coordinator, Environmental Programs & Assessment, Capital Projects Group

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From: Electrification

Sent: October-25-16 5:13 PM

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<u>Matt.Scoular@aecom.com</u>; Carolina Daza Ortiz; Renee Pettigrew **Subject:** Metrolinx Public Meetings Notice – November 2016

Metrolinx, an agency of the Government of Ontario, is bringing more transit and more connections to more places within the GTHA and surrounding communities. Every community transit project, big or small, plays a vital role in the regional transportation system. We want to share our plans and get your feedback.

Starting in November 2016, we will be hosting community open houses to share project updates and seek input on three of Metrolinx's projects to build new track and electrification infrastructure:

- GO Rail Network Electrification Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP) (Hydro One as coproponents): gotransit.com/electrification
- Barrie Rail Corridor Expansion TPAP: metrolinx.com/RERBarrie
- Lakeshore East -Don River to Scarborough Expansion TPAP: metrolinx.com/DonRiverScarborough

These projects are being planned under the Transit Project Assessment Process, in accordance with *Ontario Regulation 231/08, Transit Projects and Metrolinx Undertakings*.

Please find attached a copy of the Public Meeting Notice containing the dates, times and locations for the meetings, as well as a location map and additional information. In the meantime, if you would like to submit a comment or question, or to receive additional information related to these projects, please visit www.metrolinxengage.com or contact us directly:

GO Rail Network Electrification TPAP:

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Lakeshore East -Don River to Scarborough Expansion TPAP:

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Transit Project Assessment Process - Public Meetings

Our Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) is now home to nearly 7 million people – heading towards 10 million by 2041. This growth is a sign of success and opportunity. But as we grow, so too must our transportation network – the lifeblood that connects this great region and each of our communities.

Metrolinx, an agency of the Government of Ontario, is bringing more transit and more connections to more places within the GTHA. Every community transit project, big or small, plays a vital role in the regional transportation system. We want to share our plans and get your feedback.

Starting in November we will be hosting community open houses to share information and updates on three of Metrolinx's projects to build new track and electrification infrastructure. We will be seeking your input on these specific plans and feedback on proposed mitigation strategies:

GO Rail Network Electrification Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP) (Hydro One as co-proponents); gotransit.com/electrification

- Environmental Baseline Condition Reports have been prepared, Impact Assessment Reports to evaluate potential environmental effects of the project are underway, and stakeholder consultation is in progress. The project is currently in the Pre-Planning Phase of the TPAP.
- The focus of this round of public meetings will be to provide an update on the project and conceptual design of the Traction Power Supply and Distribution components.

Barrie Rail Corridor Expansion TPAP: metrolinx.com/RERBarrie

- The environmental assessment studies are prepared, which include a detailed overview of impacts to evaluate the environmental effects of the preliminary design.
 The project is currently in the Pre-Planning Phase.
- The focus of this round of public meetings will be to provide an update on the project and seek feedback on the environmental impacts.

Lakeshore East-Don River to Scarborough Expansion TPAP:

metrolinx.com/DonRiverScarborough

- The project is currently in the Pre-Planning Phase with existing conditions studies completed.
- The focus of this round of public meetings will be on existing conditions.

These meetings will also include information on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) which guides the work being done to transform the transportation network in the GTHA. A review of the RTP is underway, providing the opportunity to formally incorporate new insights into the plan, while ensuring we maintain momentum on the projects underway. Information updates on other key studies and projects in your neighbourhood will also be provided.

We invite you to join us in person at the public meeting nearest you to find out more. (Or, participate online at metrolinxengage.com)

Meeting time: 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. / Presentation: 7:00 p.m.

Monday, November 7, 2016 Hope United Church 2550 Danforth Ave. Toronto, ON M4C 1L2

Loretto College School

Toronto, ON M6H 2N1

151 Rosemount Ave.

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Tuesday, November 22, 2016

Sacred Heart Catholic High

Newmarket, ON L3Y 1R9

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 Metro Toronto Convention Centre (South Building) Room 717A and 718 222 Bremner Boulevard Toronto, ON M5V 3L9

Wednesday, November 16, 2016
Riverdale Collegiate Institute
1094 Gerrard St. E.

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Wednesday, November 23, 2016 Cardinal Carter Catholic High School 210 Bloomington Rd.

Toronto, ON M4M 2A1

Aurora, ON L4G 0P9

Bramalea Secondary School 510 Balmoral Dr. Brampton, ON L6T 1W4

Monday, November 14, 2016

Thursday, November 17, 2016Birchmount Park Collegiate Institute 3663 Danforth Ave.
Scarborough, ON M1N 2G2

Thursday, November 24, 2016Vellore Village Community Centre
1 Villa Royale Ave.
Woodbridge, ON L4H 2Z7

Thursday, November 17, 2016 Cornell Community Centre 3201 Bur Oak Ave. Markham, ON L6B 0T2

Barrie Corridor

Monday, November 28, 2016 Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School 959 Midland Ave. Scarborough, ON M1K 4G4 Monday, November 21, 2016 Innisdale Secondary School 95 Little Ave. Barrie, ON L4N 2Z4

GO Rail Network Electrification TPAP
Union to Scarborough Expansion TPAP
Barrie Rail Corridor Expansion TPAP

Stouffville Corrido

Union Station Rail Corridor

Lakeshore West Corridor

Lakeshore East Corridor

Tuesday, November 29, 2016First United Church
151 Lakeshore Road West
Mississauga, ON L5H 1G3

For additional information about these projects, please visit metrolinx.com OR metrolinxengage.com

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All comments and feedback received will be documented and will help inform the Transit Project Assessment Process and the Environmental Project Reports that will be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

Comments Invited

Comments and information regarding these projects are being collected to assist in meeting the requirements of the *Environmental* Assessment Act. All personal information included in a submission – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, maintained and disclosed by the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change for the purpose of transparency and consultation. The information is collected under the authority of the *Environmental* Assessment Act or is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public as described in s. 37 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy* Act. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential. For more information, please contact Georgina Collymore (contact information below) or the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Freedom of Information and Privacy Coordinator at 416-327-1434.

For more information, or to be added to the e-mail distribution list, please contact: Georgina Collymore

Senior Advisor – Environmental Assessment Communications & Community Relations tel: 416-202-4921 / e-mail: electrification@metrolinx.com

Metrolinx is working to provide residents and businesses in the GTHA with a transportation system that is modern, efficient and integrated. Find out more about Metrolinx's Regional Transportation Plan for the GTHA, as well as GO Transit, PRESTO and Union Pearson Express at www.metrolinx.com.

This Notice first issued on Thursday, October 27, 2016.

Pour plus de renseignements, veuillez composer le 416 874-5900 ou le 1 888 GET-ON-GO (438-6646).



November 3, 2016

The purpose of this package is to provide an update on Metrolinx Electrification EA.

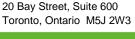
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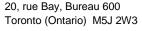
Metrolinx is carrying out an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP) in accordance with Ontario Regulation 231/08 - Transit Projects and Metrolinx Undertakings for electrification of the GO Transit Rail Network (see Figure 1). Specifically, Metrolinx is examining the conversion of several rail corridors from diesel to electric propulsion. The GO Rail Network Electrification TPAP (the Project) is an undertaking that will entail design and implementation of traction power supply system and power distribution components including an Overhead Contact System (OCS) along the rail corridors, electrical feeder routes, as well as a number of electrical power supply/distribution facilities (i.e., traction power facilities) located within the vicinity of the rail corridors.

Electrification of the GO network requires electrical power to be supplied from Ontario's electrical system through Hydro One's existing high voltage grid via new 230 kV connection lines to the proposed Traction Power Substations. As such, Metrolinx and Hydro One are carrying out the TPAP as Co-Proponents and are working together on the conceptual design elements (tap locations) and environmental components of the project.

The Study Area (see key map below) includes six GO rail corridors, as well as proposed locations for the electrical power supply and distribution facilities:

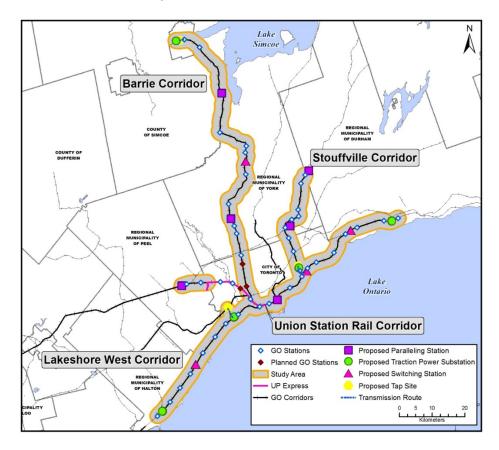
- Union Station Rail Corridor
- Lakeshore West Corridor From just west of Bathurst St (Mile 1.20) to Burlington
- Kitchener Corridor UP Express Spur (at Highway 427) to Bramalea
- Lakeshore East Corridor Don River to Oshawa GO Station
- Barrie Corridor Parkdale Junction to Allandale GO Station
- Stouffville Corridor Scarborough Junction to Lincolnville GO Station







GO Rail Network Electrification Study Area



As part of stakeholder outreach for the TPAP, Metrolinx has been engaging various review agencies including conservation authorities, municipalities, and provincial review agencies to provide a summary of the key updated information before the next round of public consultation scheduled for November 2016:

- Upcoming Public Meetings
- Project Status
- Environmental Project Report (EPR)
- Traction Power Facilities
- Bridges
- Tree Compensation Approach
- Noise Mitigation
- Next Steps

Upcoming Public Meetings

Metrolinx is holding a second round of Public Meetings in November 2016 to provide an update on the project, preliminary design elements, and technical studies completed, as well as to seek input and feedback on proposed mitigation strategies for this and other Metrolinx initiatives. A public meeting notice is attached.

Project Status

Since our last meeting work has continued during the Pre-Planning Phase of the TPAP. Work completed to date includes:

- Baseline Conditions Reporting
- First Round of Public Meetings held in Feb/Mar 2016
- Stakeholder consultation is underway and numerous meetings held to date with Conservation Authorities, Aboriginal Communities, and utilities.
- Continuing to meet with municipal, provincial and federal review agencies.
- Finalizing various conceptual design elements, such as bridge modifications.
- Impact Assessment studies are underway.
- Draft Environmental Project Report (EPR) development is underway, to be shared in 2017.

The schedule of the TPAP has been updated since our last meeting. Metrolinx is now targeting Winter/Spring 2017 for the TPAP Notice of Commencement, with TPAP Completion anticipated for Summer/Fall 2017.

Environmental Project Report (EPR)

In 2017 Metrolinx will be sharing the draft EPR with municipalities and other review agencies for comment. The EPR will be divided into five (5) volumes:

- Volume 1 identification of traction power facility sites, description of the Study Area, detailed
 description of the project components/conceptual design, including: tap locations, traction
 power supply, power distribution and maintenance requirements associated with the
 electrification infrastructure and equipment. Includes Conceptual Electrification Roll Plans.
- Volume 2 detailed description of the baseline environmental conditions (environment potentially affected) within the Study Area. Organized by rail corridor.
- Volume 3 describes the potential environmental effects, recommended mitigation measures, net environmental effects, and monitoring activities associated with implementation of the project. Organized by rail corridor.

- Volume 4 describes the consultation process and activities that were carried out including key
 consultation milestones. Overview of the input/comments/feedback received from various
 stakeholders (i.e., Review Agencies, Aboriginal Communities, the Public, Property Owners, etc.)
 and how they were considered by Metrolinx and Hydro One.
- Volume 5 describes the proposed commitments and future work to be carried out during
 future project phases (e.g., detailed design, construction), addendum process, and outlines the
 additional anticipated approvals/permits required for implementing the project beyond EA Act
 requirements.

Twelve (12) technical/environmental supporting reports were produced that will be included as Appendices to the EPR. These reports include Natural Environment Assessment, Environmental Site Evaluation, Land Use and Socio-economic Assessment, Air Quality Assessment, Cultural Heritage and Archaeological Assessments, Visual Impact Assessment, Noise and Vibration Assessments, Utilities Assessment, Stormwater Management Report, and EMI/EMF Assessment.

Your Municipality will be receiving a copy of the draft EPR in December 2016/January 2017. Metrolinx will be seeking your comments within six weeks.

Traction Power Facilities

Metrolinx will require two Traction Power Facilities (TPFs) within your Municipal boundaries.

The Durham Switching Station (SWS) is to be located on a parcel of land at 1610 Bayly Street in Pickering (**Figure 1**). The site is primarily open space / hydro corridor, with recreational buildings / amenities (Pickering Playing Fields) in the southeast corner. The northeast corner has some tree cover / vacant lots, with ponding of water in a man-made structure. The site is entirely surrounded by industrial development and Highway 401.

Based on the conceptual design, the proposed positioning of the SWS facility is located in the triangular northeast corner of the parcel, adjacent to the rail corridor (**Figure 2**). It is currently vacant lot with some vegetation.

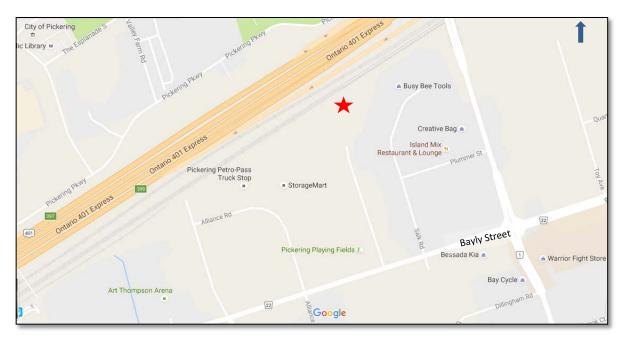


Figure 1 - Durham SWS



Figure 2 - Durham SWS

Switching Stations (SWS) are traction power facilities that are located between Traction Power Substations (TPS) to segregate power flow on the network. This is necessary to manage the utility power that supplies the railroad systems. Under normal operating conditions, the two supplies are separated by phase breaks. The SWS enables electrical energy to be supplied to an adjacent but normally separated electrical section during contingency power supply conditions. In the event there is a utility outage or failure of a supply transformer, the breakers/switches at the SWS can be closed to continue to supply power to the trains and maintain operational service for the public.

The following equipment is associated with the SWS facilities:

- SWS equipment (requiring an approximate footprint size of 22m X 55 m) including two 15 MVA autotransformers, medium voltage switchgear for connections to the OCS.
- Gantries
- Aerial or underground feeders connecting to the OCS;
- Access route.

The East Rail Maintenance Facility (ERMF) Traction Power Substation (TPS) is to be located on a parcel of land situated on a vacant piece of land north of the rail corridor and east of Hopkins Street (Figure 3). The ERMF, which is currently under construction, will be located on the opposite side of Hopkins Street. All development in the surrounding area is industrial, with a hydro corridor bordering the site to the east.

Based on the conceptual design, the proposed positioning of the TPS facility is located on the eastern side of the parcel, adjacent to the hydro corridor (Figure 4).



Figure 3 - ERMF TPS and Tap Sites



Figure 4 - ERMF TPS and Tap Sites

It should be noted that the ERMF is currently under construction by Metrolinx on this site. The location and infrastructure required for the ERMF Tap is described as follows:

- Tapping from existing Hydro One 230kV transmission line Hydro One circuits H24C /H26C.
- Two Hydro One owned/constructed structures will be required at tap point, location to be determined by Hydro One (each approximately 10m2, up to 30m tall) under/adjacent to the Hydro One 230kV transmission lines to facilitate tapping the 230kV transmission circuits.
- For purposes of the TPAP/conceptual design phase, it was assumed that underground 230kV connection cables via two duct banks (approx. 2m X 2m, 1m depth) will be installed from the Hydro One tap structures to two new Metrolinx tap structures (approximately 10m2, up to 30m tall). If deemed feasible during detailed design, the connection may be installed via aerial feeders at this location, however no change to the potential environmental effects are anticipated in this scenario since the underground option is more intrusive.
- The tap location can be accommodated within same property boundary as the TPS facility.
- The site for TPS and Tap is owned by Metrolinx.

Bridges

In order to run OCS wires under bridges without attachments, there must be sufficient clearance between the messenger wire/catenary and the lowest part of the bridge structure. Where sufficient clearance does not exist, attachments (e.g., tunnel arms,) on the structure are required in order to support the OCS. In addition, for rail overpass structures, OCS support structures (portals/cantilevers) may need to be installed on the structure to support the OCS system.

There are four design options for installing OCS to bridge/rail overpass structures:

- 1. Wires 'free run' under the bridge with no modification required
- 2. Install attachments to bridge to support OCS wires running under the bridge
- 3. Install OCS support structures on rail overpass structures
- 4. Attach to tunnel with tunnel arm(s)

In the case of concrete bridges, if the vertical clearance between OCS conductors and concrete overpasses is less than 1m (3'3"), protection panels (flash plates) will be installed above the OCS, attached to the underside of the bridge, and interconnected to the static wire. For steel overpasses, the steel girders will be interconnected and bonded to the static wire.

A bridge protection barrier is required to protect pedestrians and travelers/infrastructure users within the public right-of-way on bridges from direct contact with adjacent live parts of the OCS for voltages up to 25 kV to ground. In addition, these barriers protect against damage to the OCS passing under bridges by providing an obstacle to debris that may be thrown onto the railway from overhead. The length of the protection barrier will extend a minimum of approximately 3m laterally beyond the live parts of the overhead contact system, on either side the bridge. The barriers will be made of solid-faced material, and will be a minimum height of approximately 2m (barriers of greater heights may be required in areas where vandalism is prevalent). High voltage signage will also be provided as an additional safety measure.

The following table identifies any required road bridge modifications in your Municipality:

Corridor	Mile	Primary Name	Type of Structures	Vertical Clearance Issue?	Flash Plate to be Attached to Bridge	Wires to Be Attached to Bridge?	Bridge Protection Barrier to Be Added or Modified?
LSE	0.84	Liverpool Road	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes
LSE	1.09	Pickering North Station	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes
LSE	1.92	Brock Road	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes
LSE	4.52	Harwood Avenue South	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes
LSE	6.60	Lakeridge Road -new	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes
LSE	8.72	Henry Street	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes
LSE	9.00	Brock Street South	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes
LSE	314.76	Whites Road	Bridge	No	Yes	No	Yes

Tree Compensation Approach

Metrolinx supports a sustainable and vibrant tree canopy across the region.

Trees and other vegetation are not always compatible with an electrified rail service as they can:

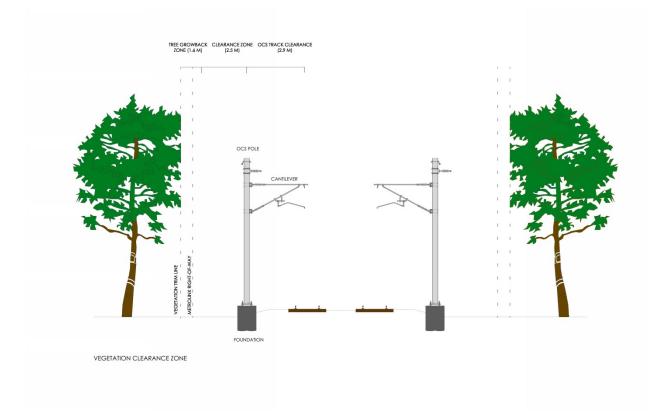
- Cause falling wires from overhead catenary system.
- Put the safety of our customers, workers and neighbours at risk.
- Potentially impact service to the thousands of residents who rely on GO service on a daily basis.

Vegetation adjacent to the railway tracks will be removed to enable the installation of the Overhead Contact System (OCS) and 25kV feeder routes to ensure the safety of rail operations and reliability of the system.

The vegetation clearance zone will be a maximum 7 meter zone from the centre of the outermost electrified track. This 7 m zone includes:

- 2.9 m clearance from the track to the OCS pole to ensure clearance of the train to the OCS pole;
- 2.5 m vegetation clearance from the OCS pole to the limits of the trees; and
- Up to 1.6 m to account for tree grow back (regrowth zone).

Vegetation Clearance Diagram



Noise Mitigation

GO Transit Expansion is bringing more train trips to every GO rail corridor. Trains will be running up to every 15 minutes, there will be service in both directions, more all-day service, and there will be electric trains. There will also be 150 km of new track (to allow for more uninterrupted service), new bridges and tunnels, and new and renovated stations. This expansion will bring more noise, and an important part of the Environmental Assessment process involves understanding noise impacts and identifying ways to mitigate them.

When new infrastructure is built, Metrolinx undertakes a Noise and Vibration Modelling study to understand the amount of noise that will be generated by the increased service.

The 1995 draft MOEE/GO Transit Noise Protocol stipulates that:

- Mitigation must be considered if the project is expected to cause a 5 dB increase or greater in the average noise (referred to as "Leq") relative to the existing noise level or the MOE objectives of 55 dBA for daytime and 50 dBA for night-time
- The Protocol also states that noise mitigation is required if it is administratively, operationally, economically and technically feasible

Metrolinx is working to compare the noise generated by existing GO service to the amount of noise that will be generated once the new GO infrastructure has been built and the higher levels of service are provided.

The key in this analysis is to identify areas where noise is expected to increase by 5 dBA or more (as per the Province's Transit Noise and Vibration Protocol). Corridor Plans within your municipality/Region is attached and show the locations where the > 5 dB is expected. Areas with noise increases greater than > 5 dB will be considered for mitigation.

Next Steps

A copy of the Public Meeting display materials will be posted to the project website: www.gotransit.com/electrification.

If you have any questions, comments or feedback for the Project Team, please contact James Hartley via e-mail James.Hartley@metrolinx.com by November 30, 2016.

Alternatively, if you would like to arrange a meeting to discuss the project in more detail, we would be happy to schedule a teleconference or in-person meeting.

Sincerely,

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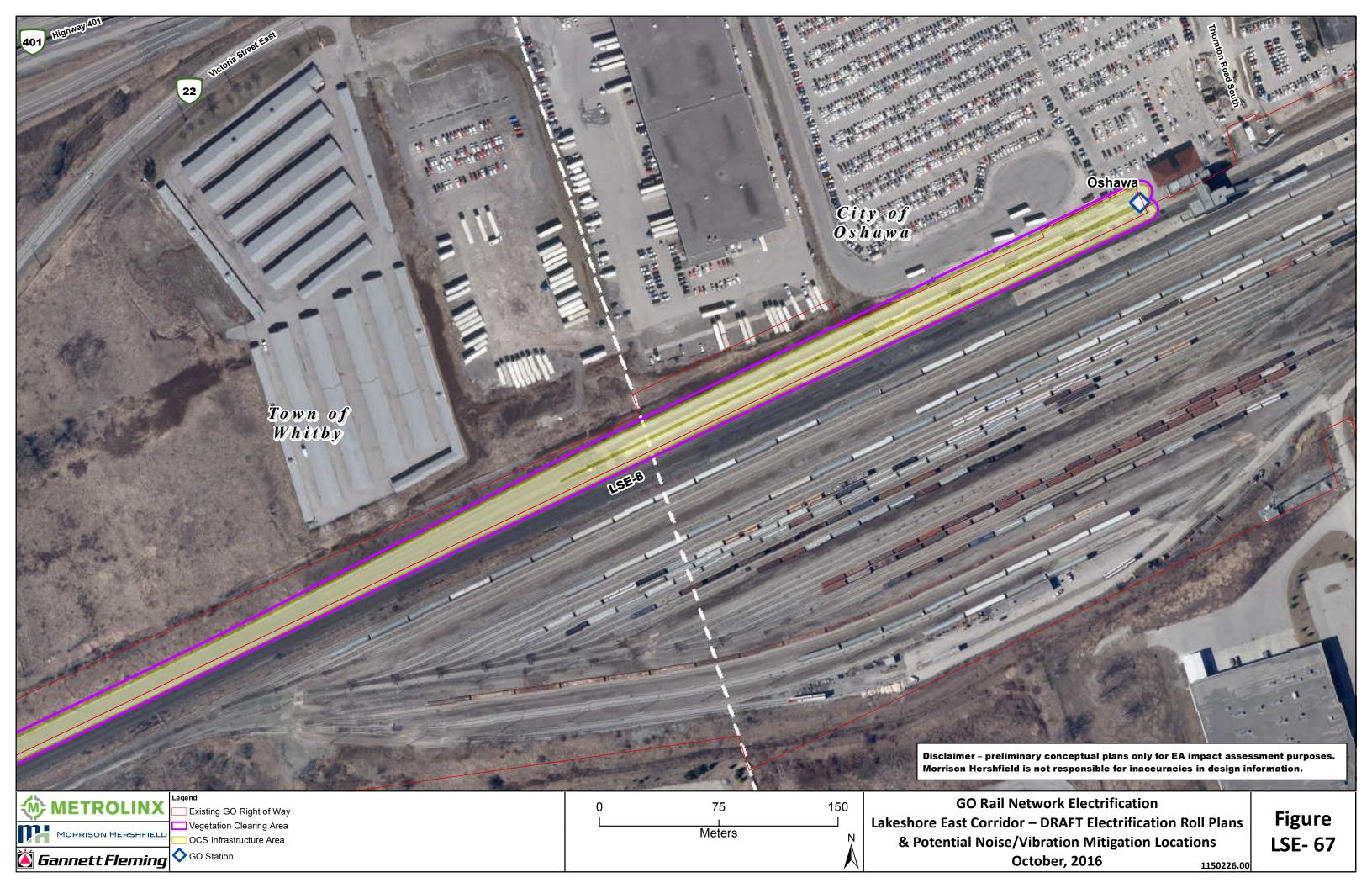
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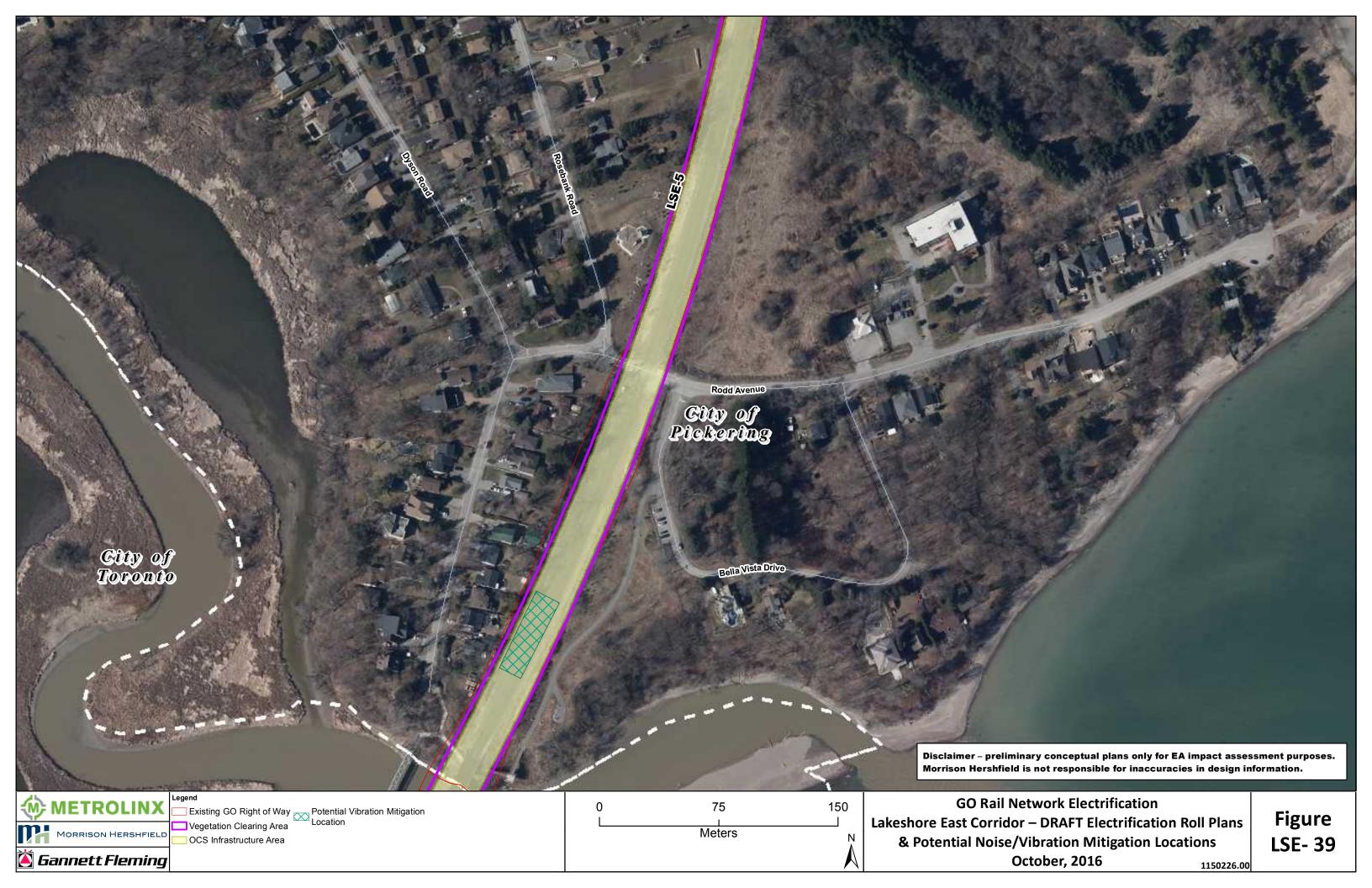
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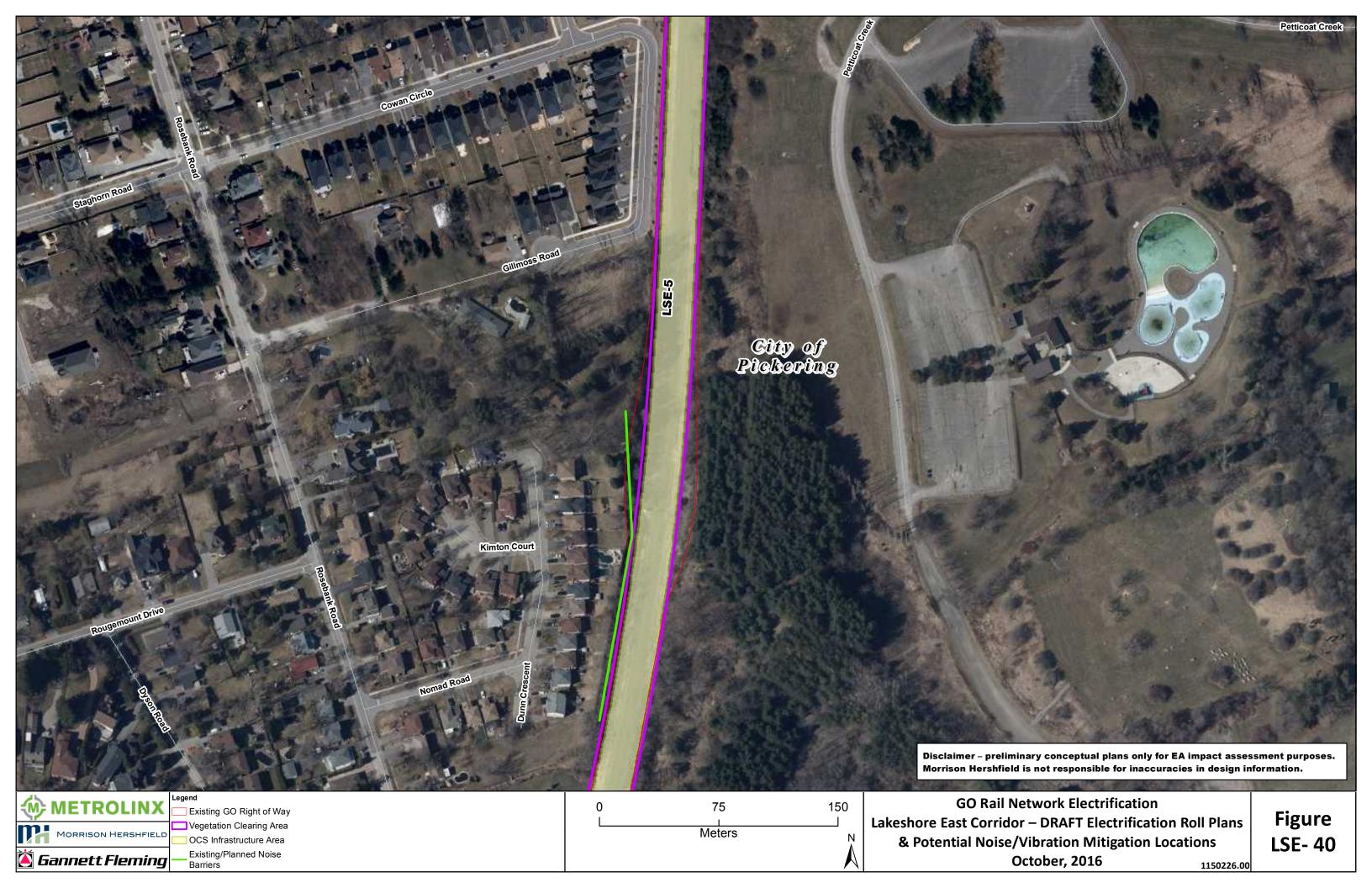
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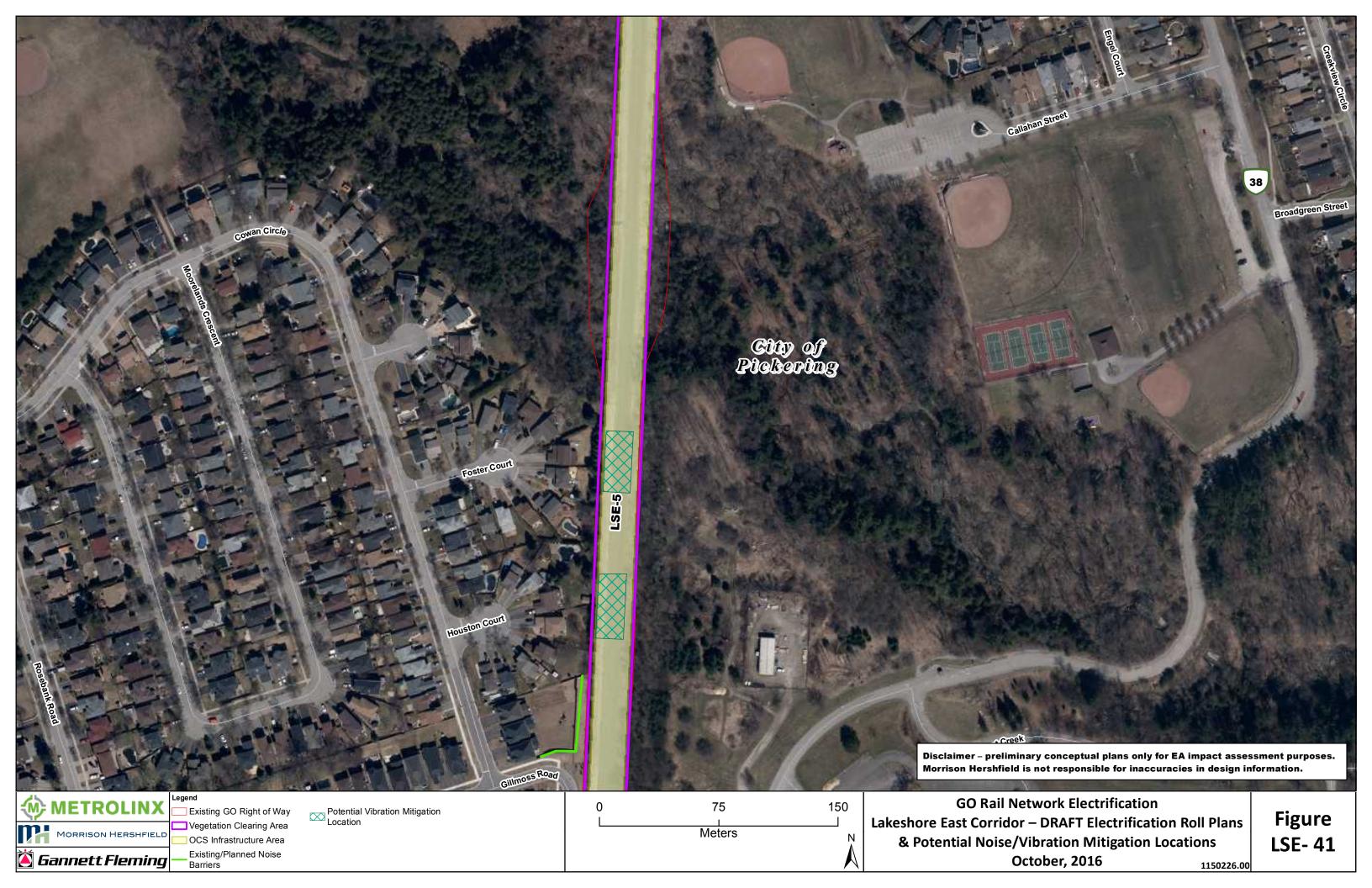
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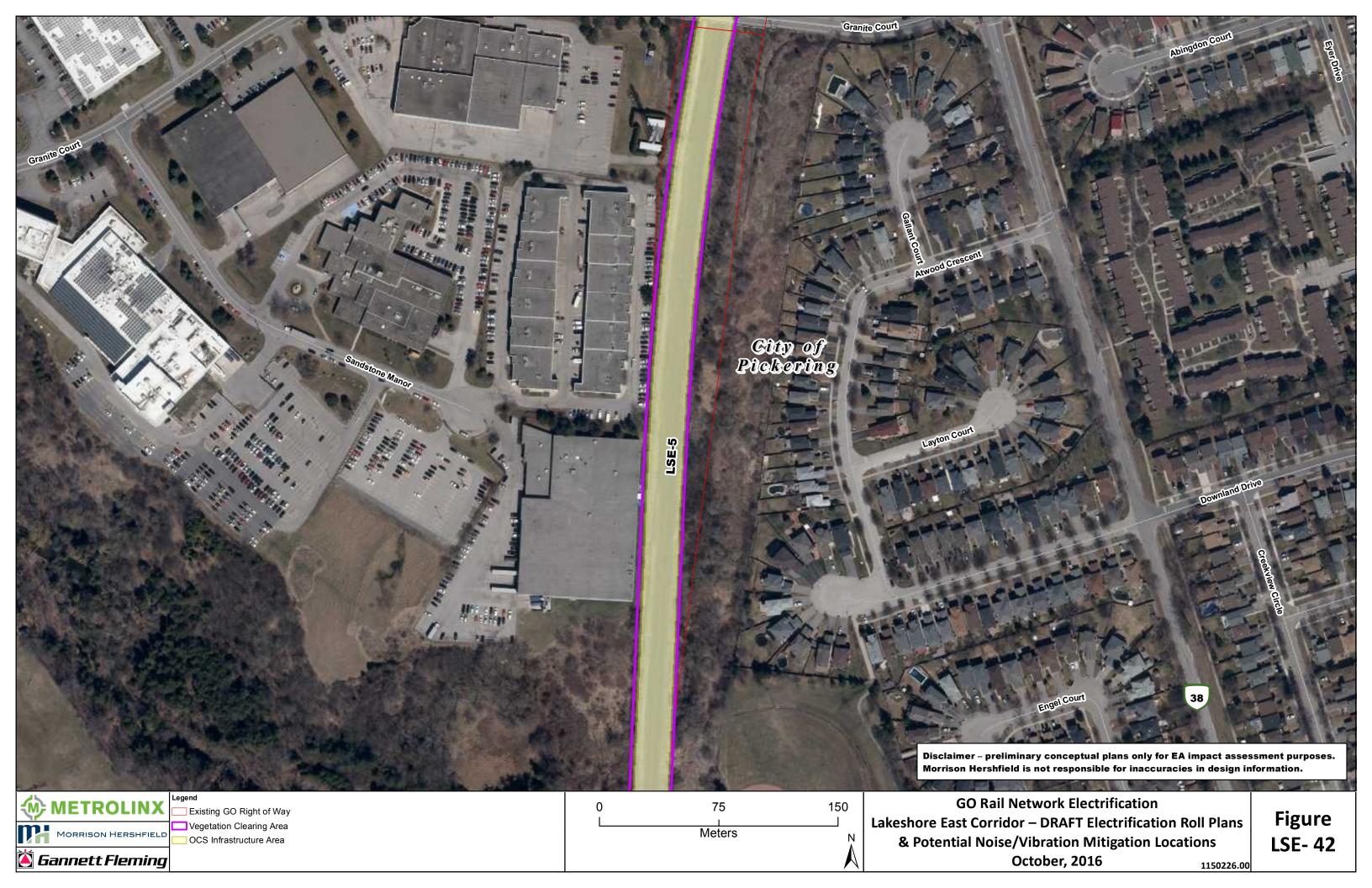
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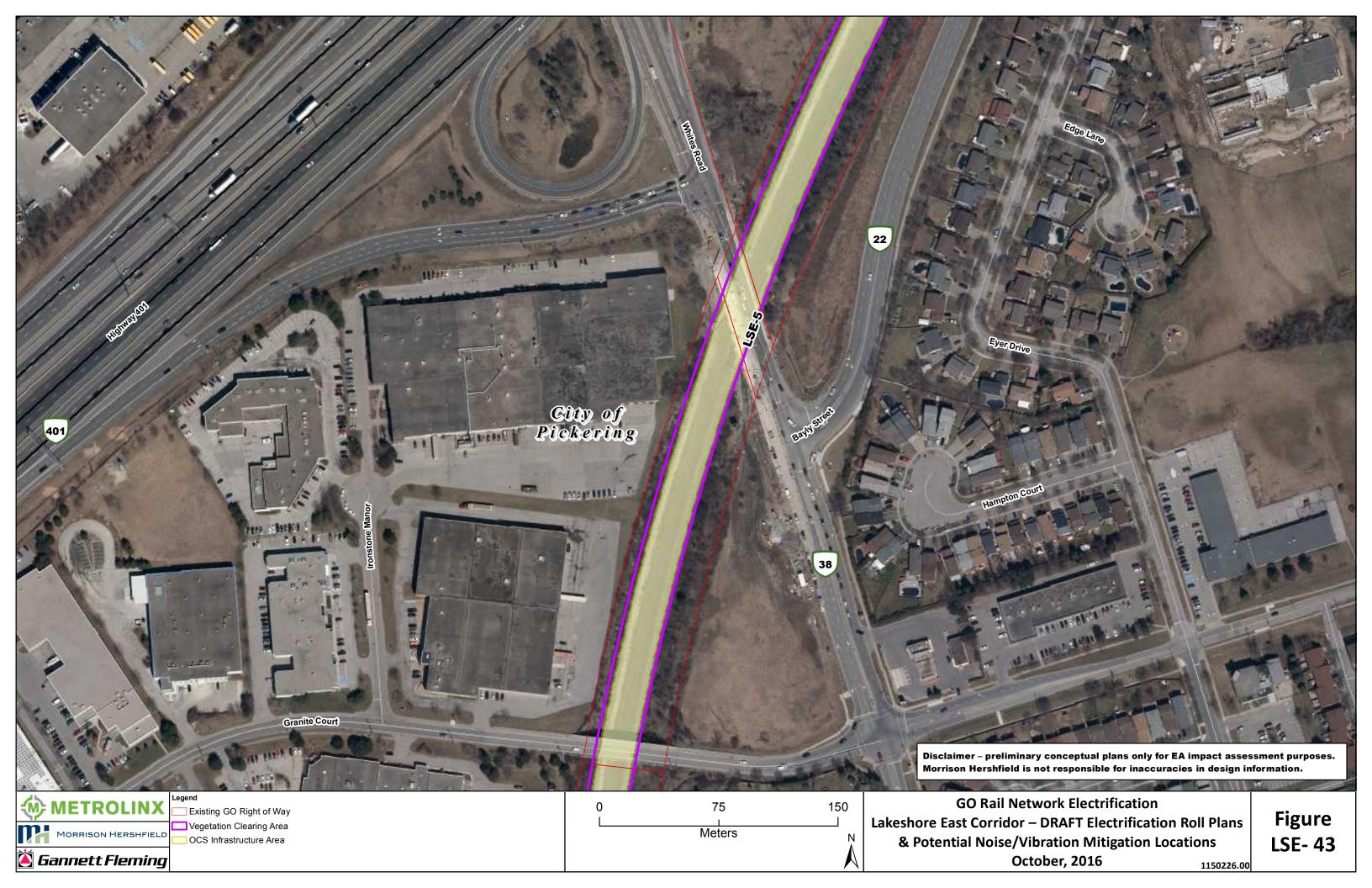






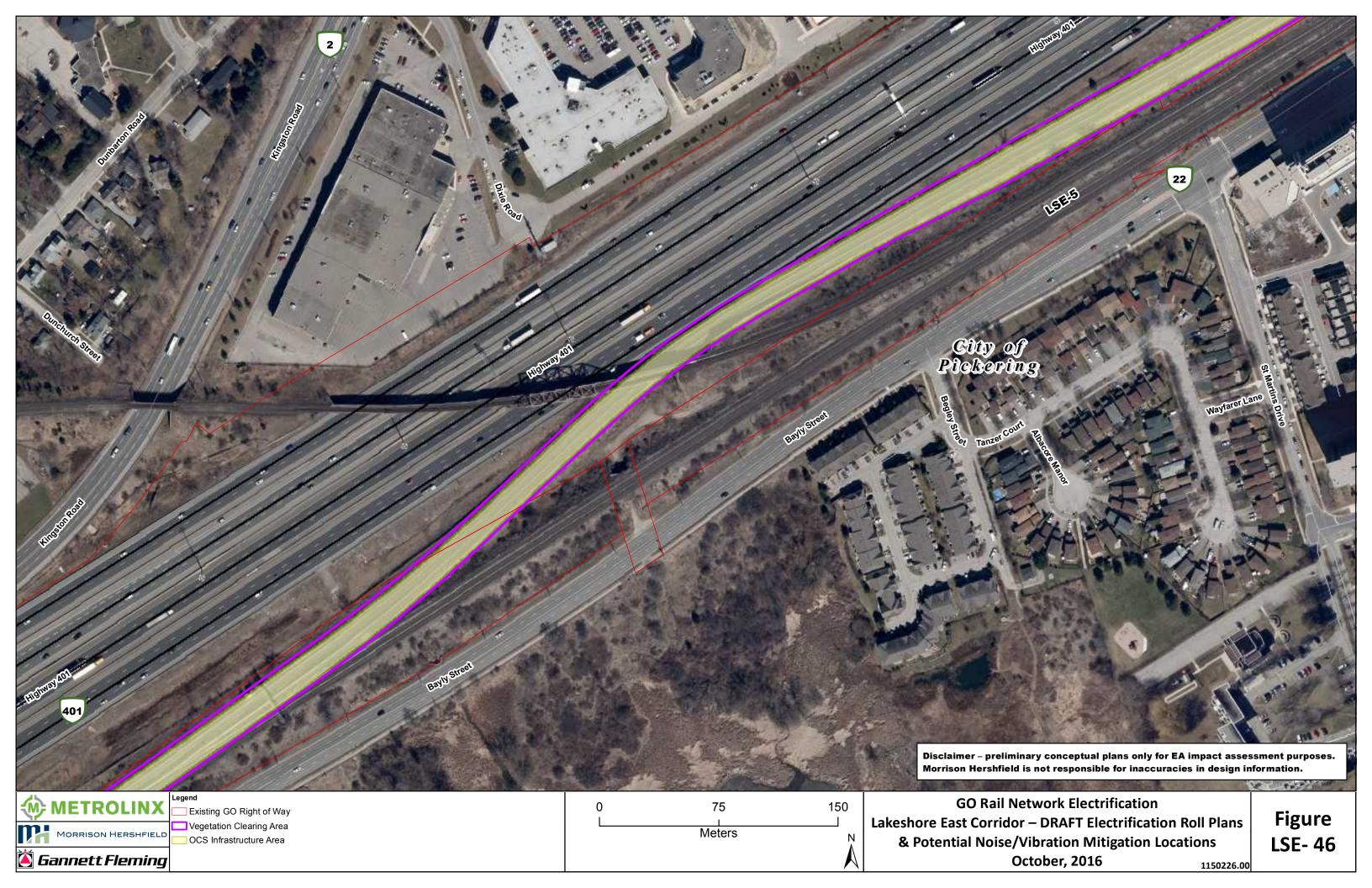


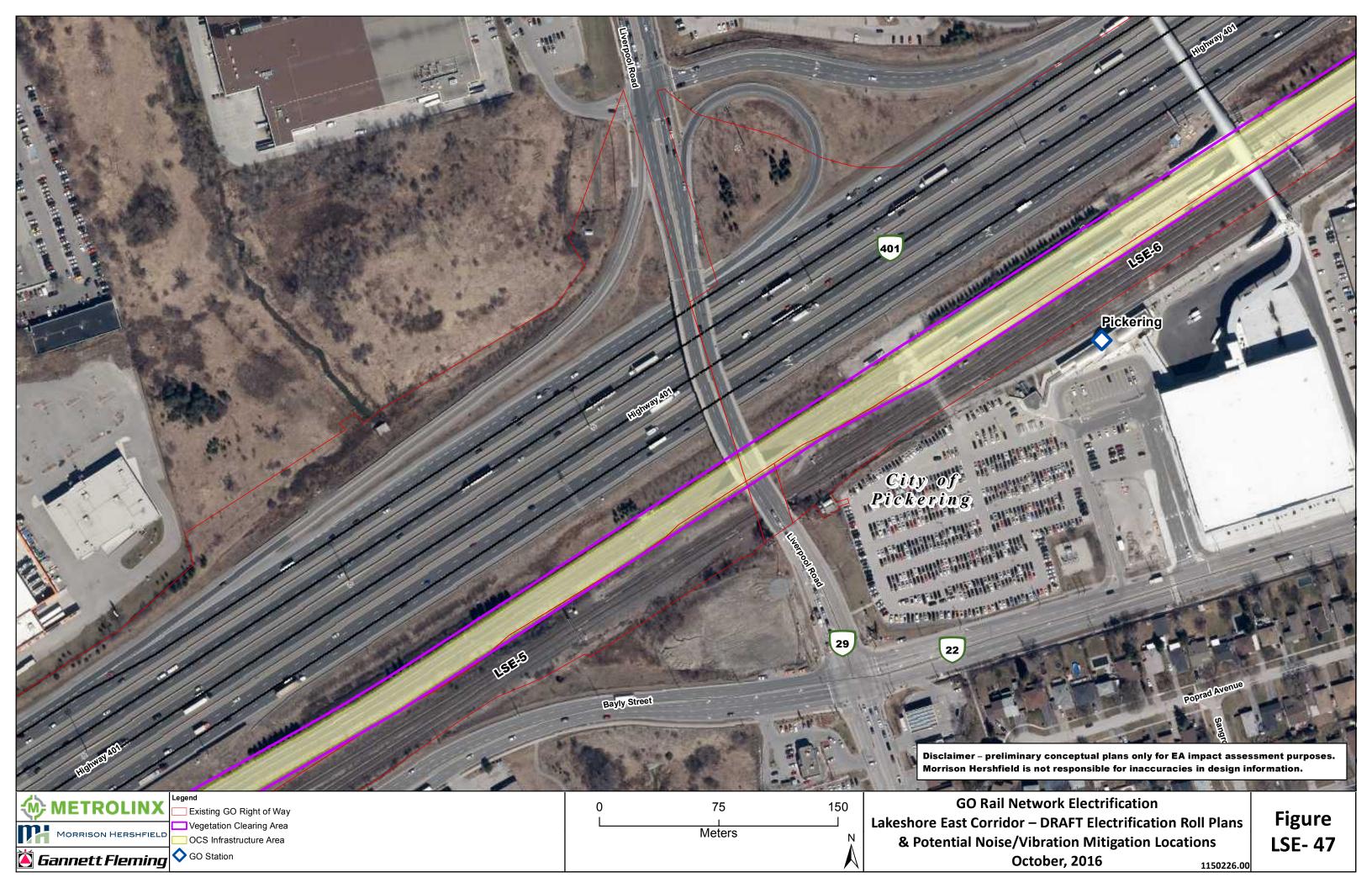


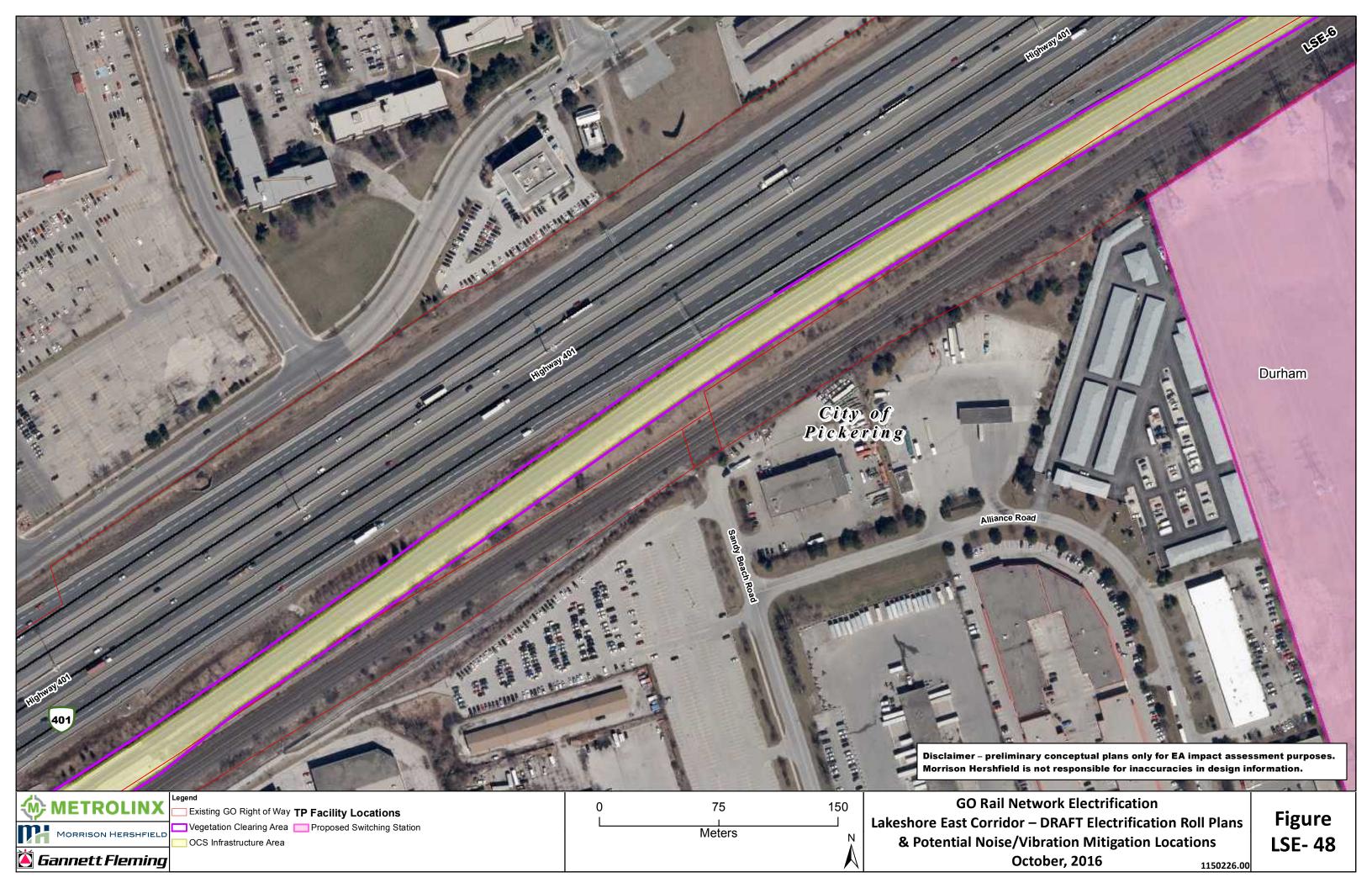


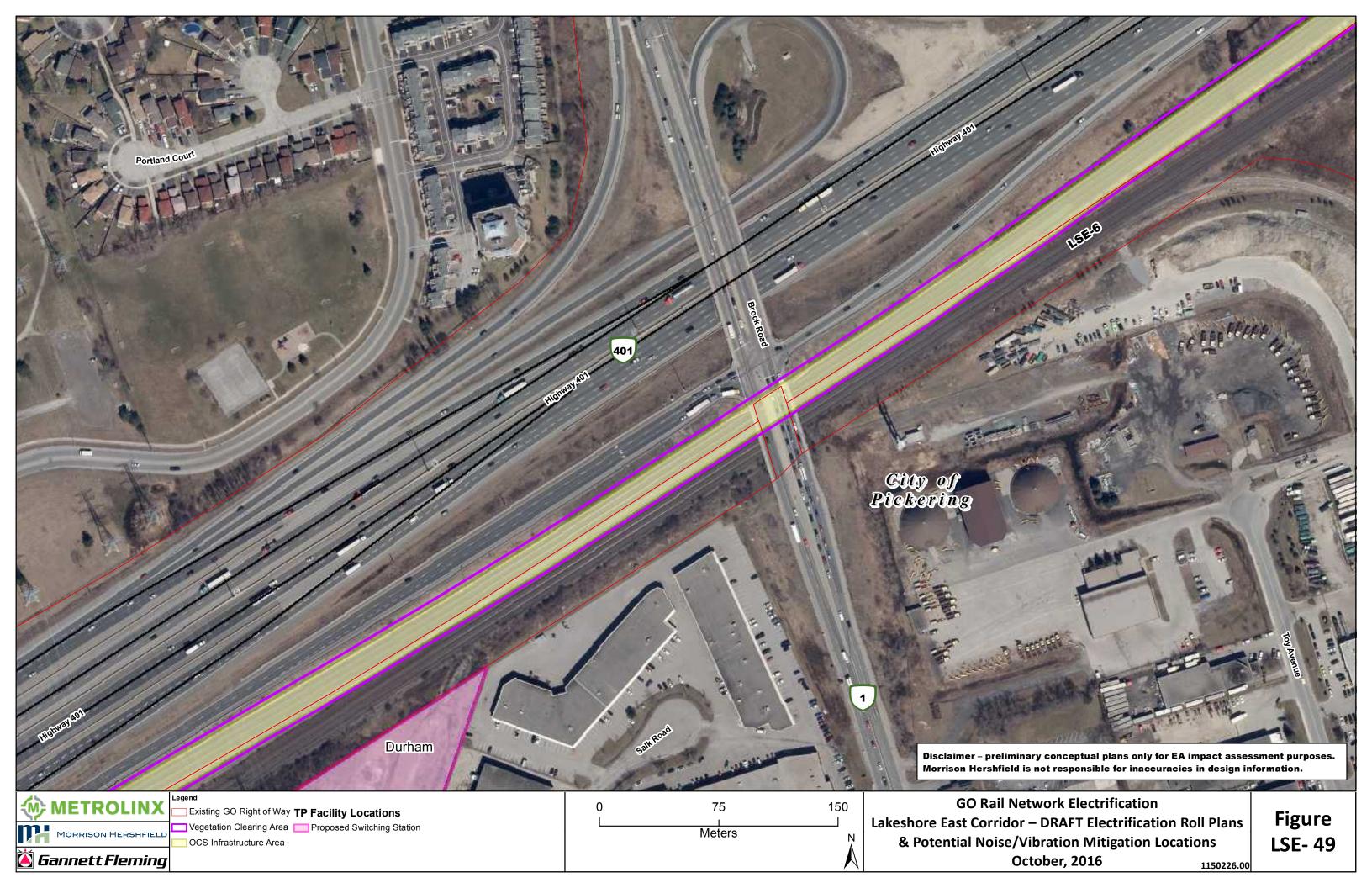


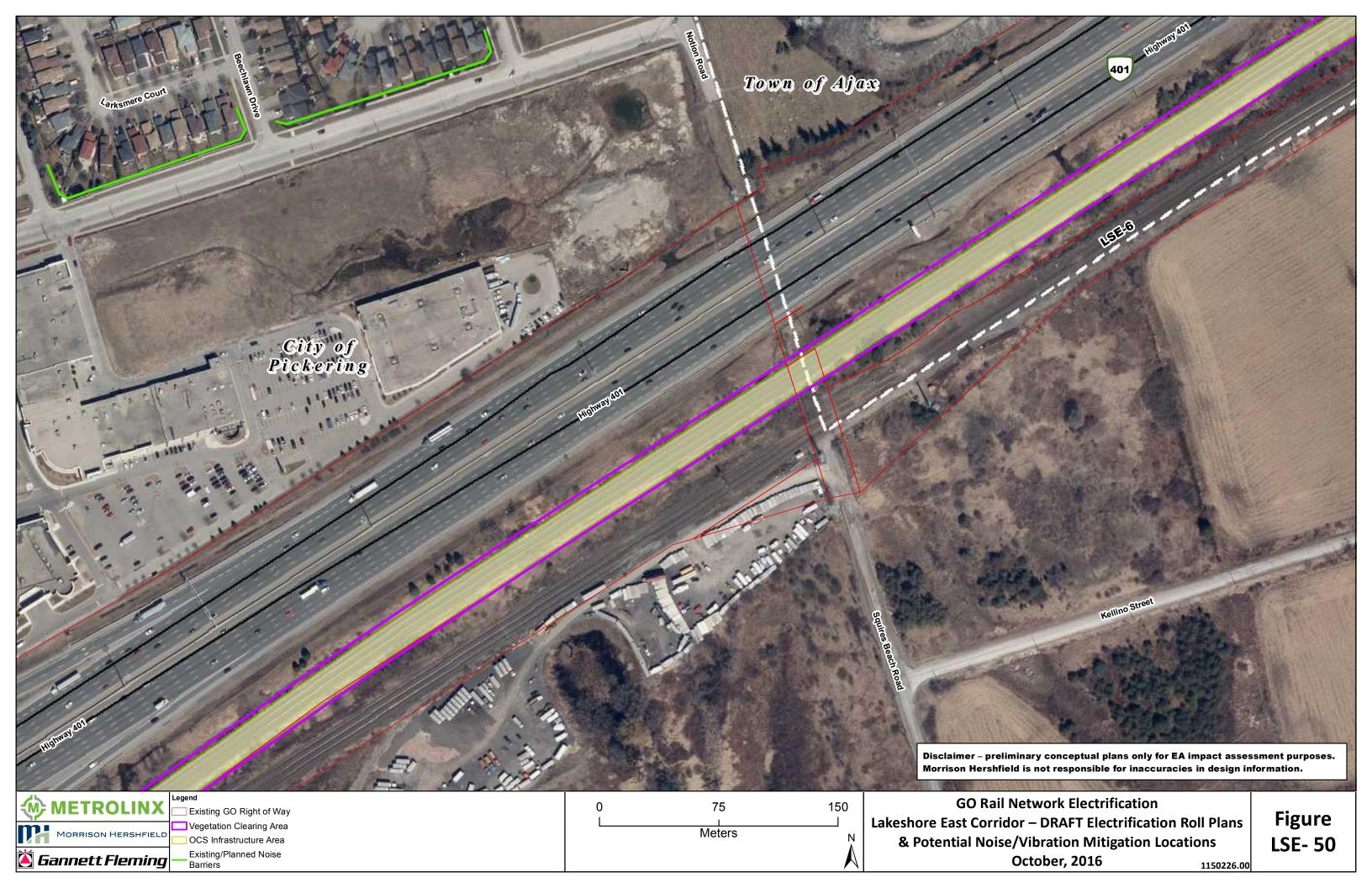


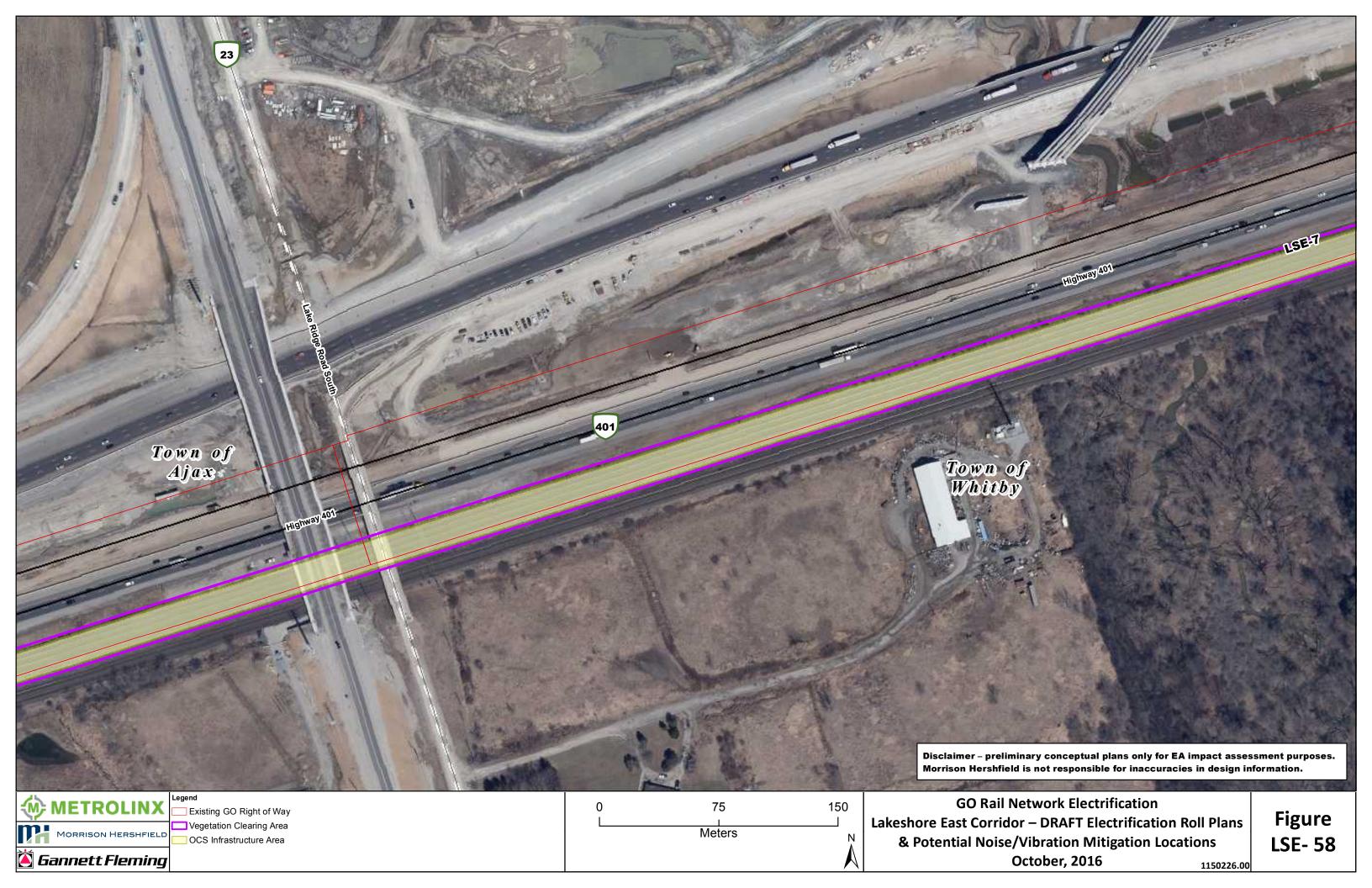


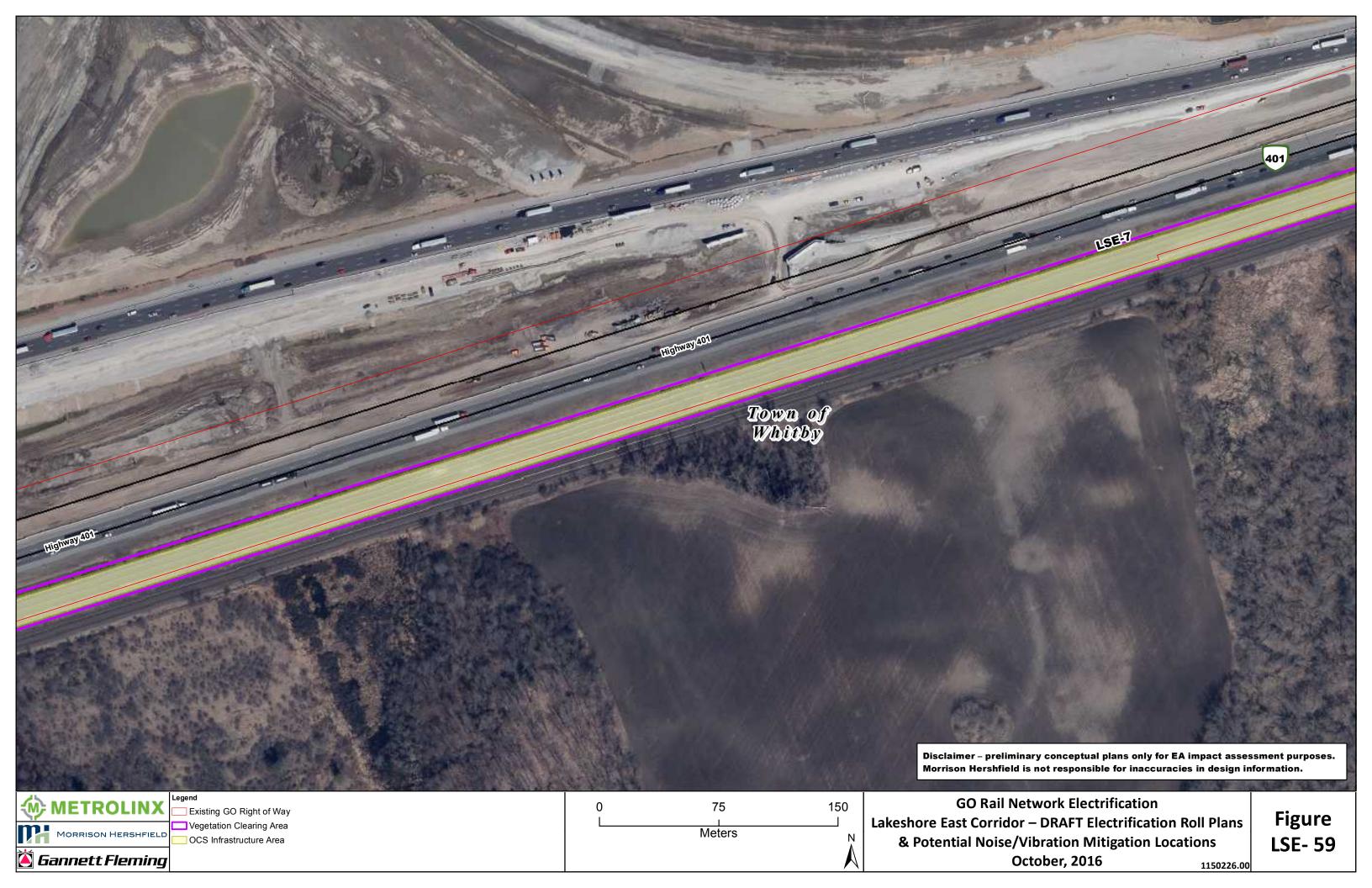


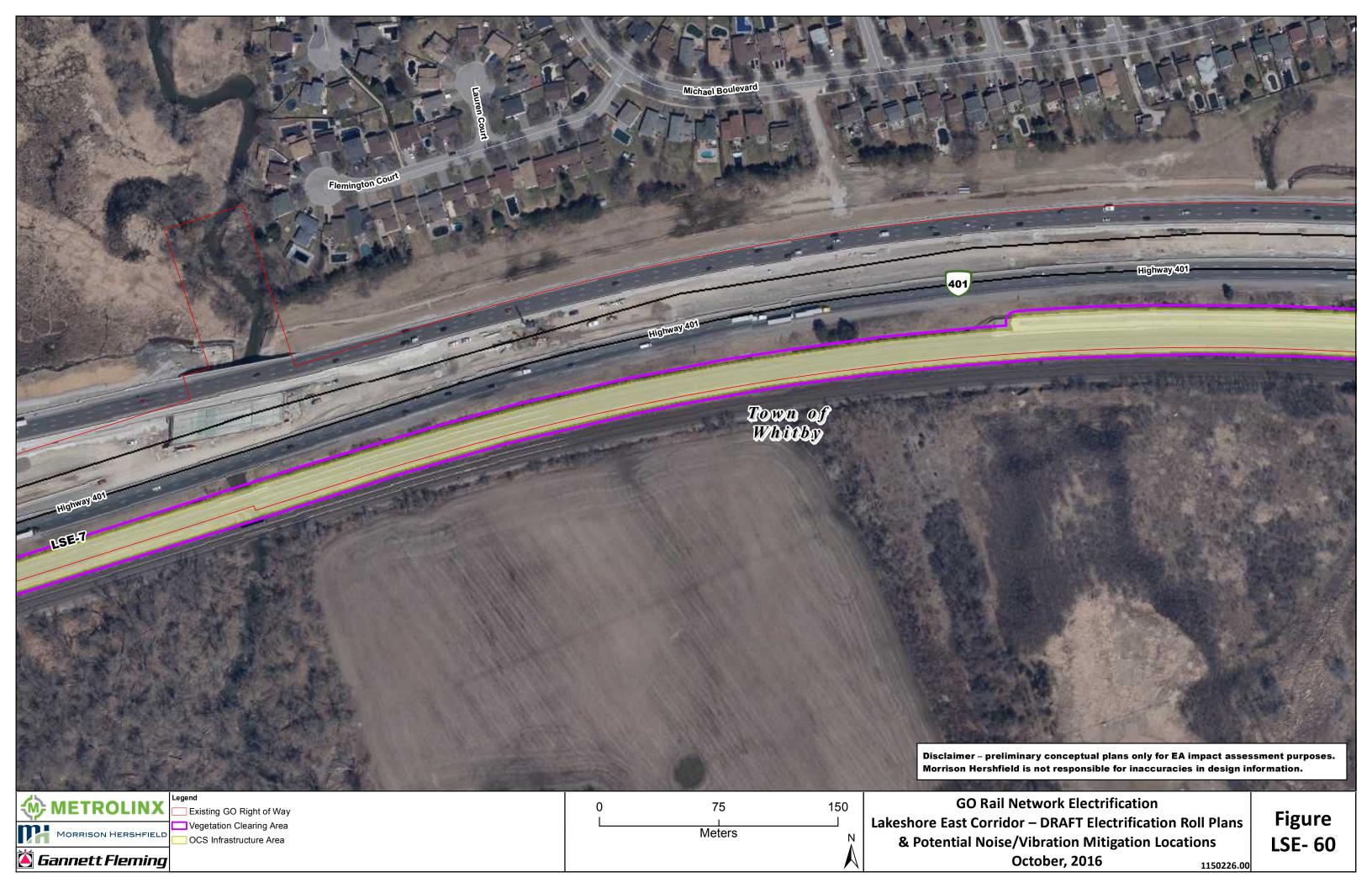


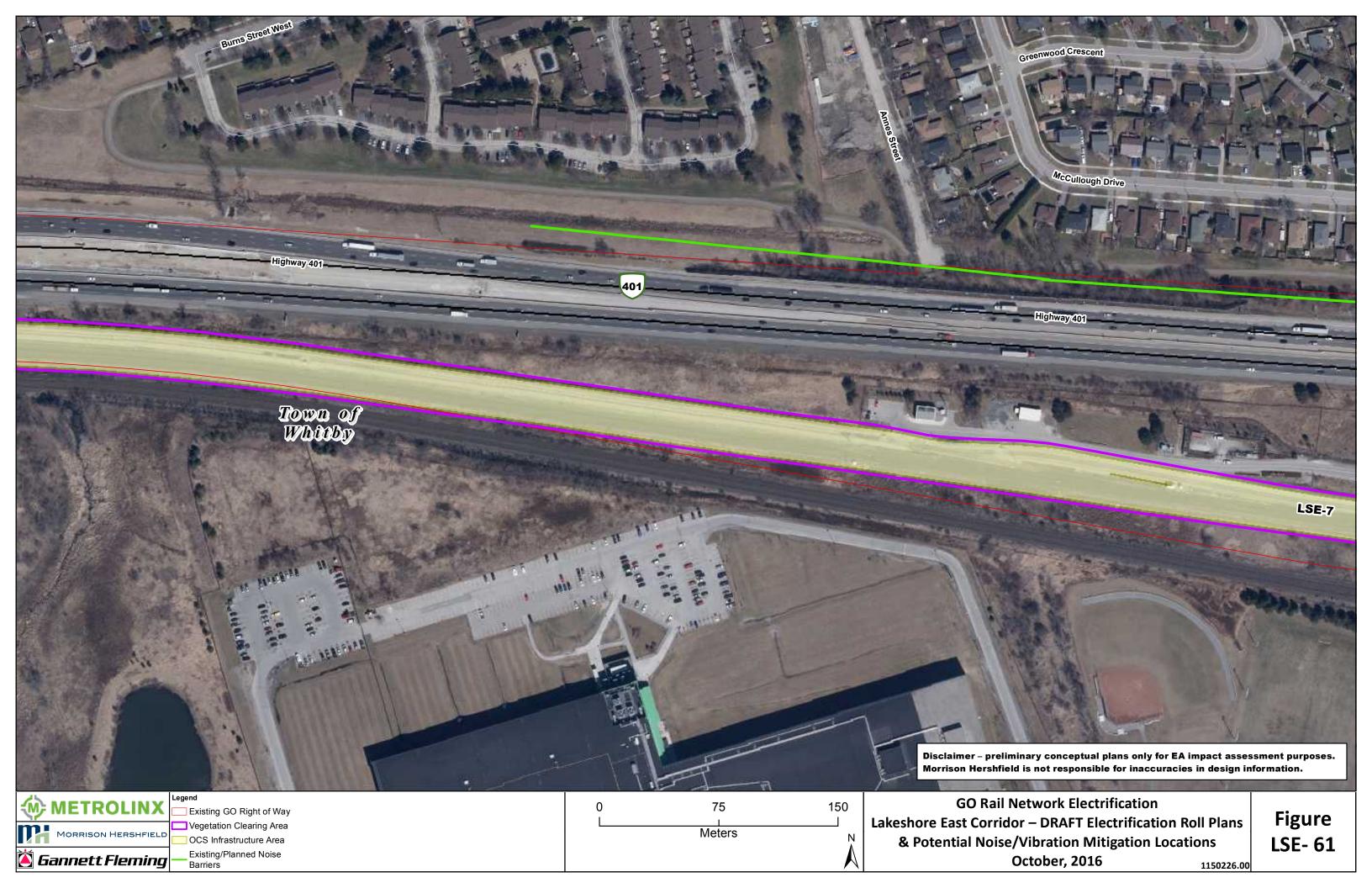


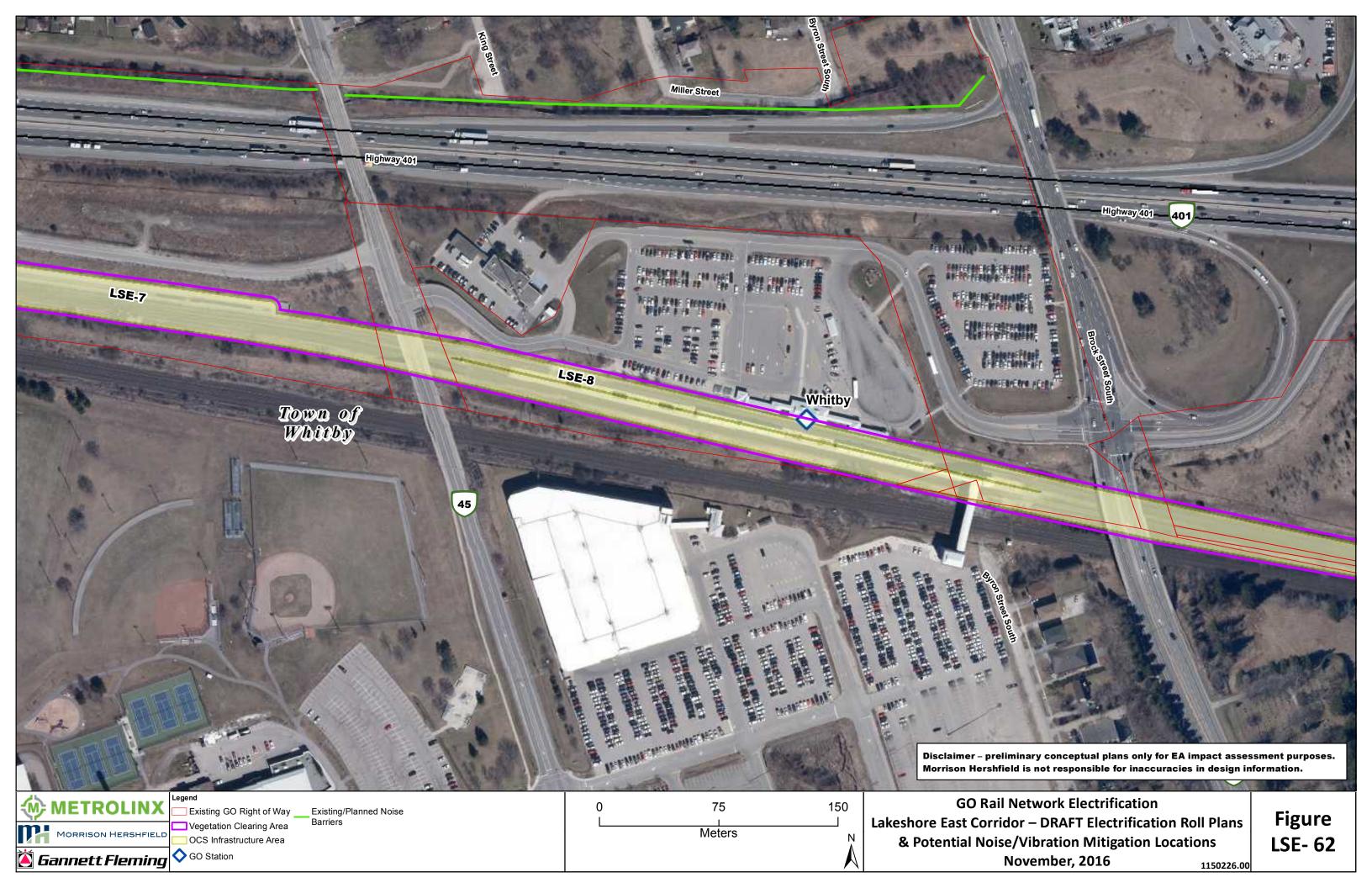


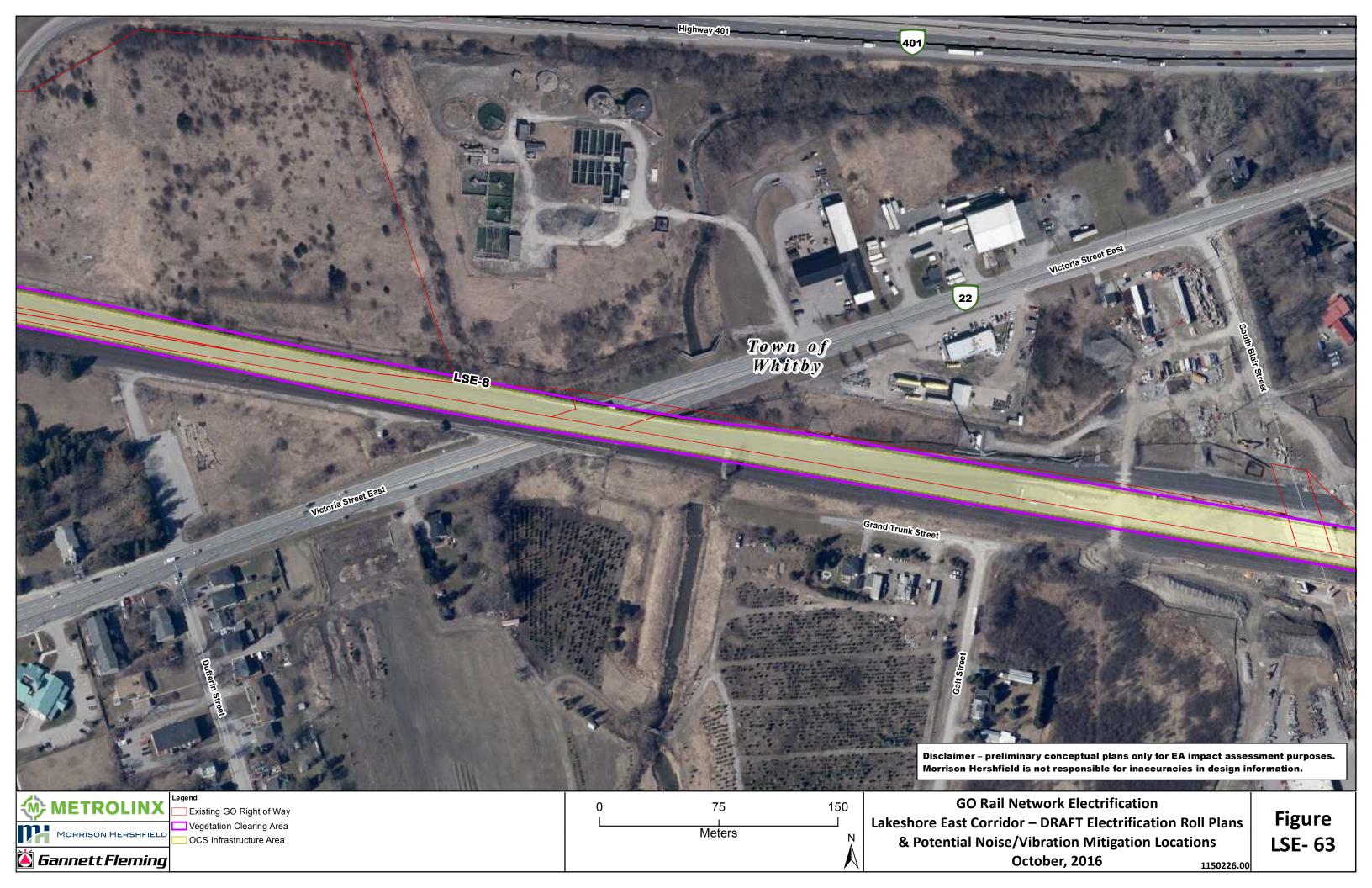


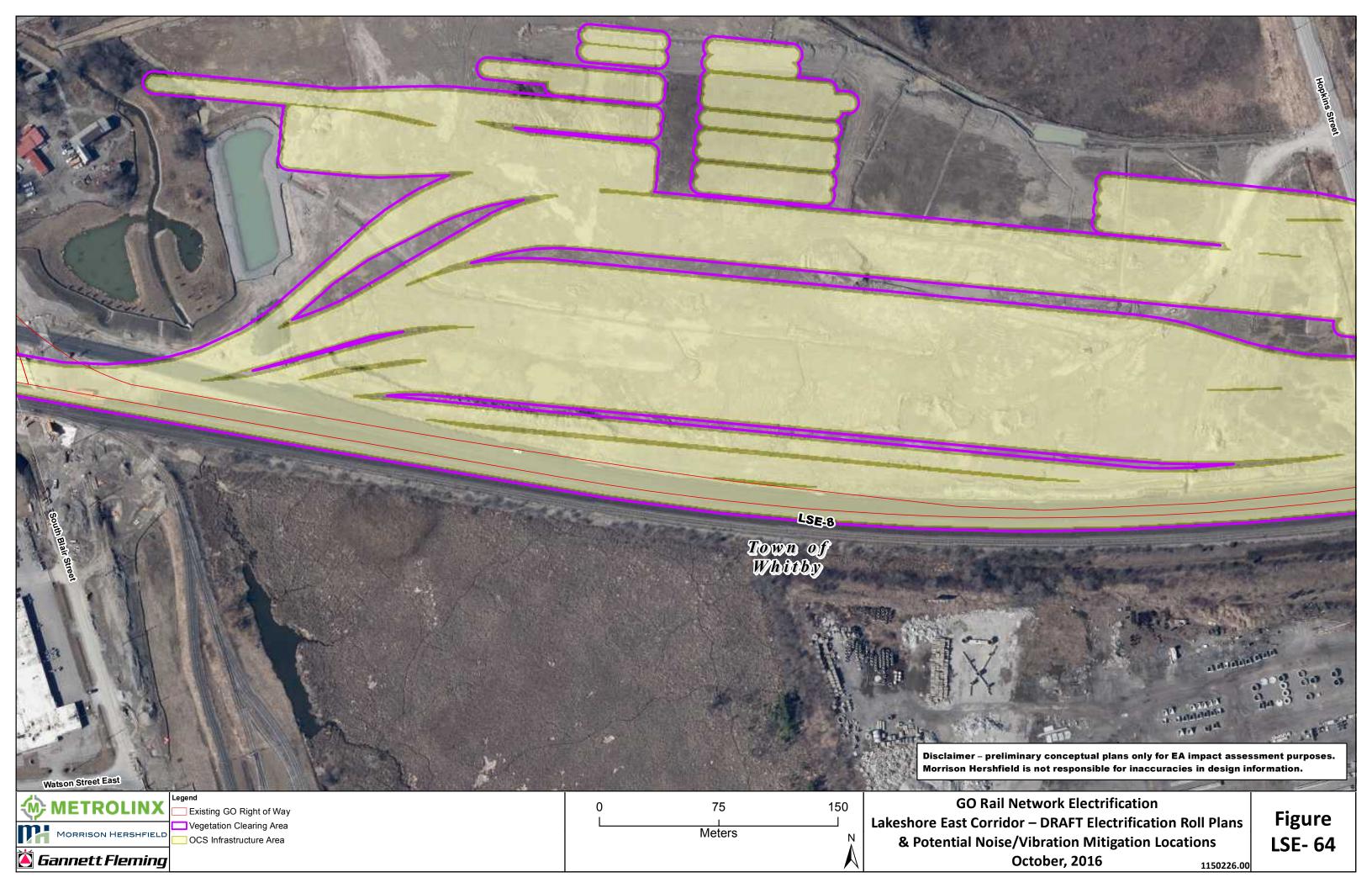


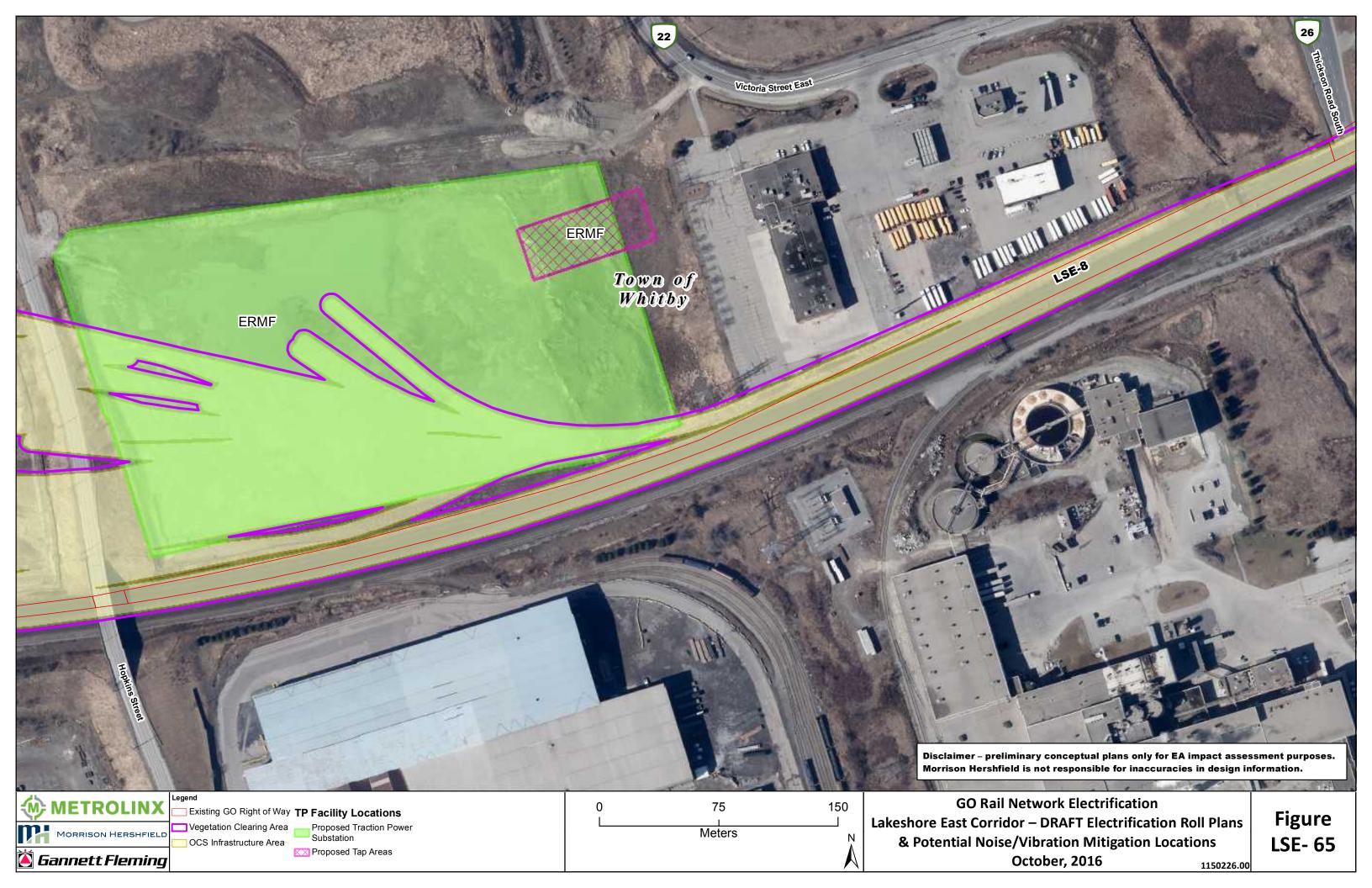


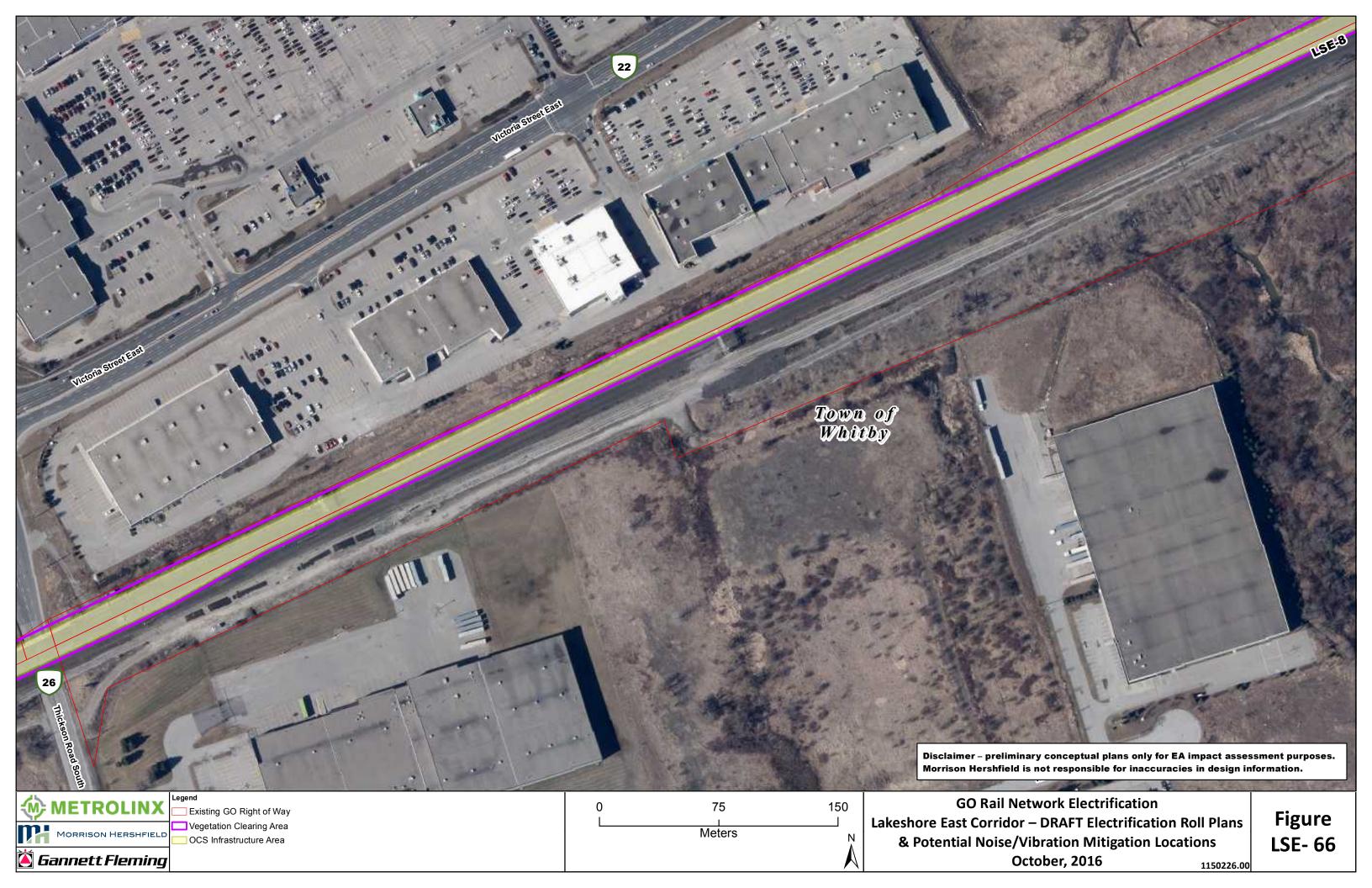


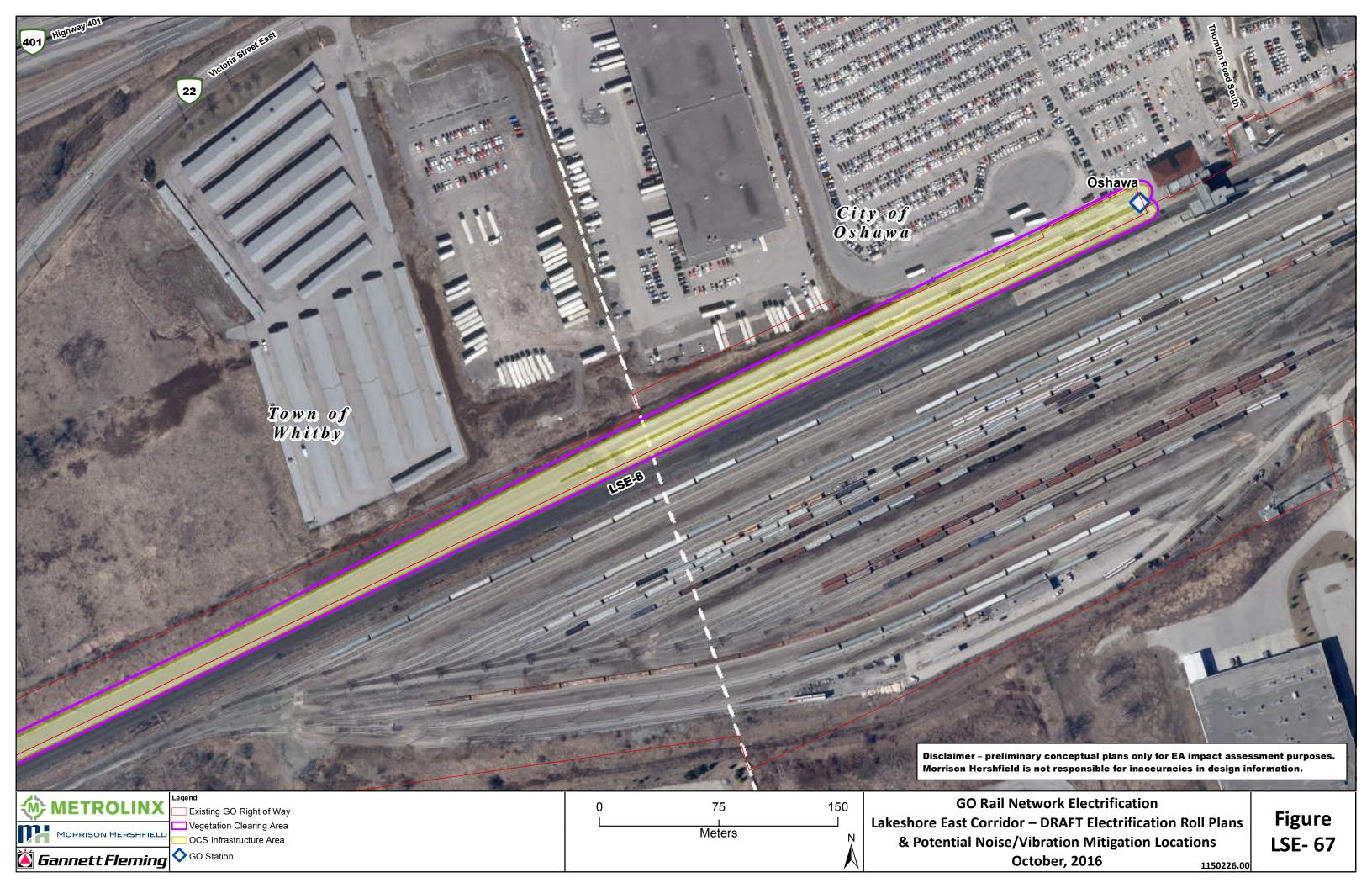


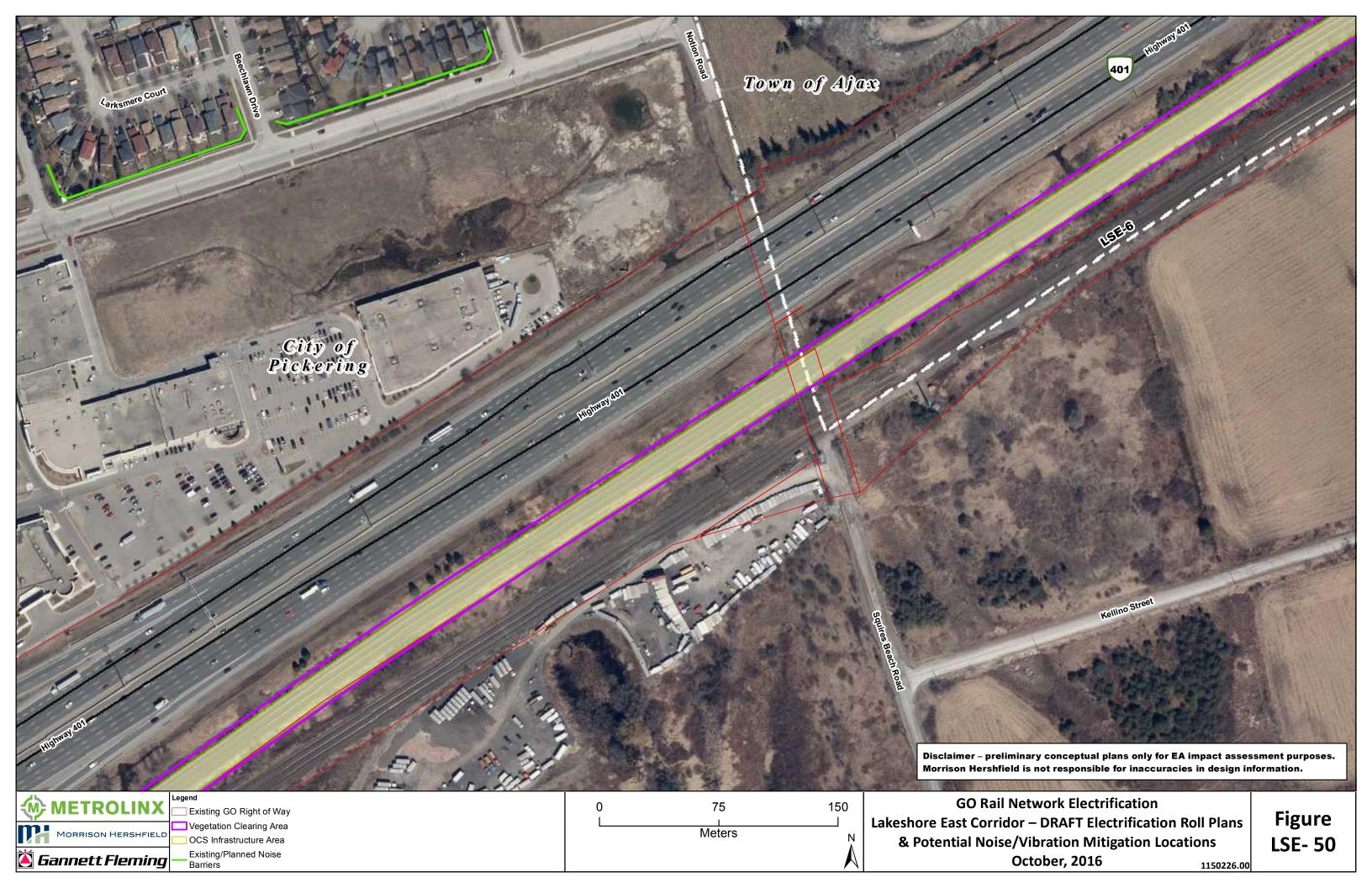


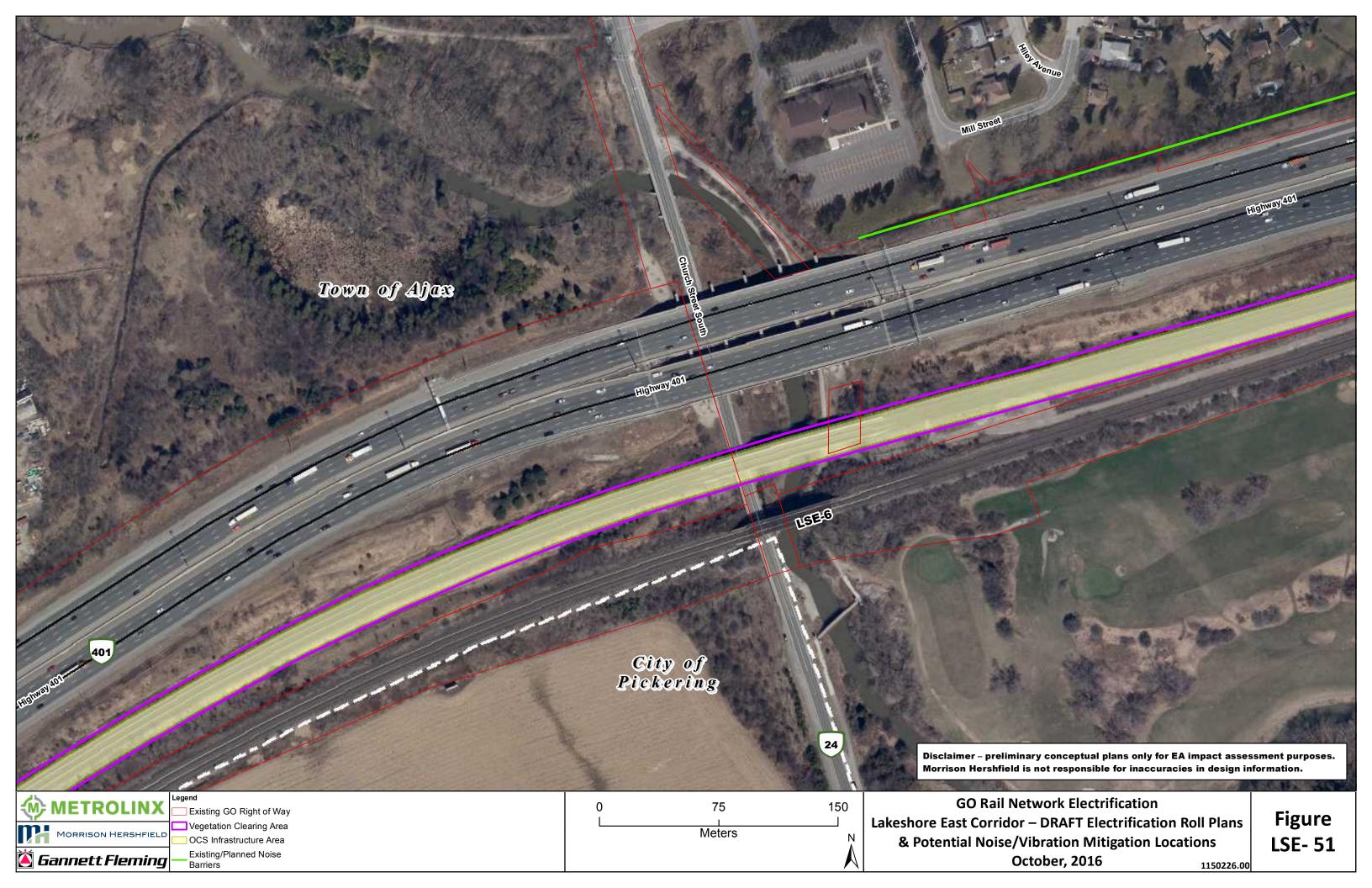


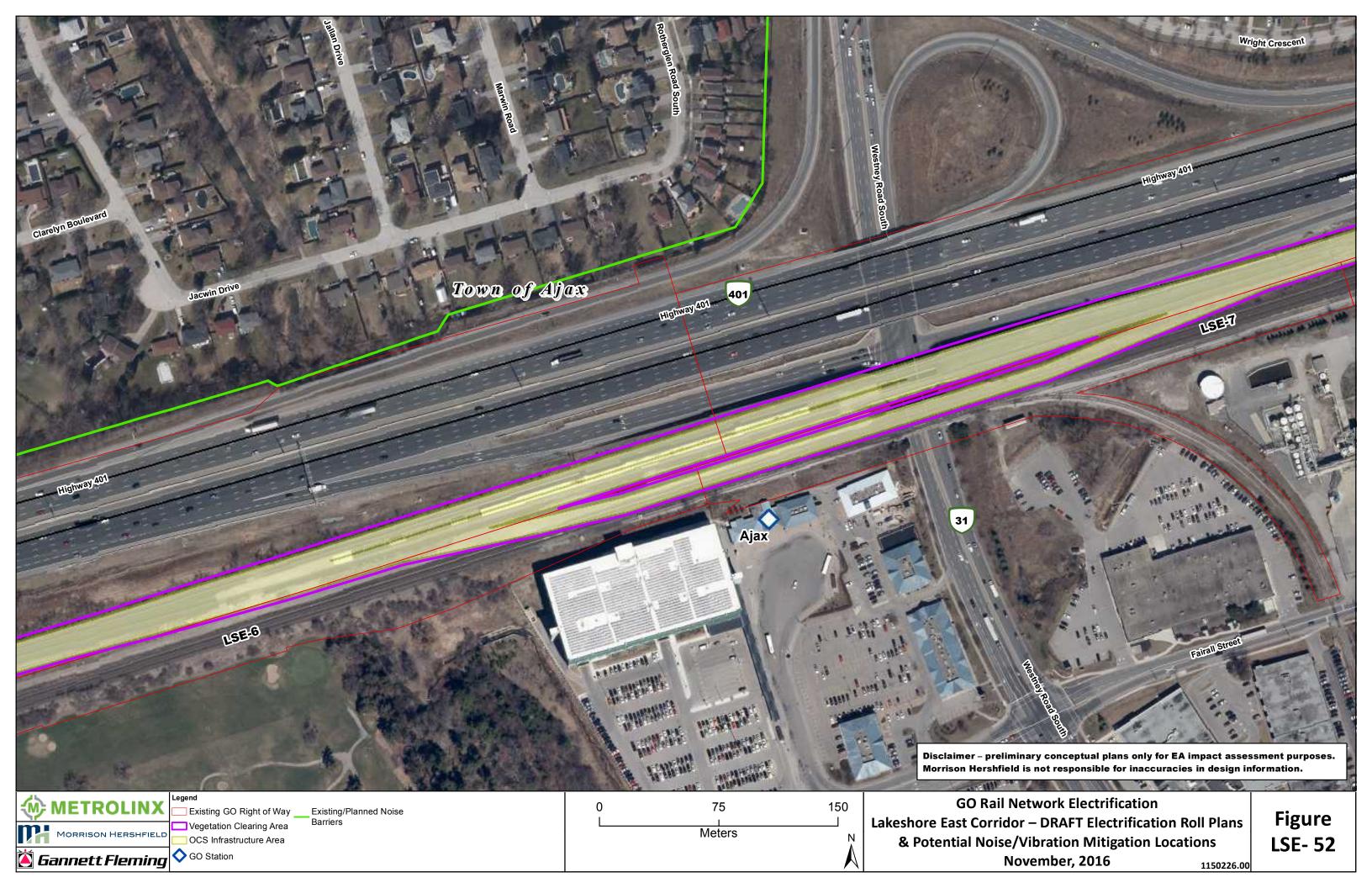


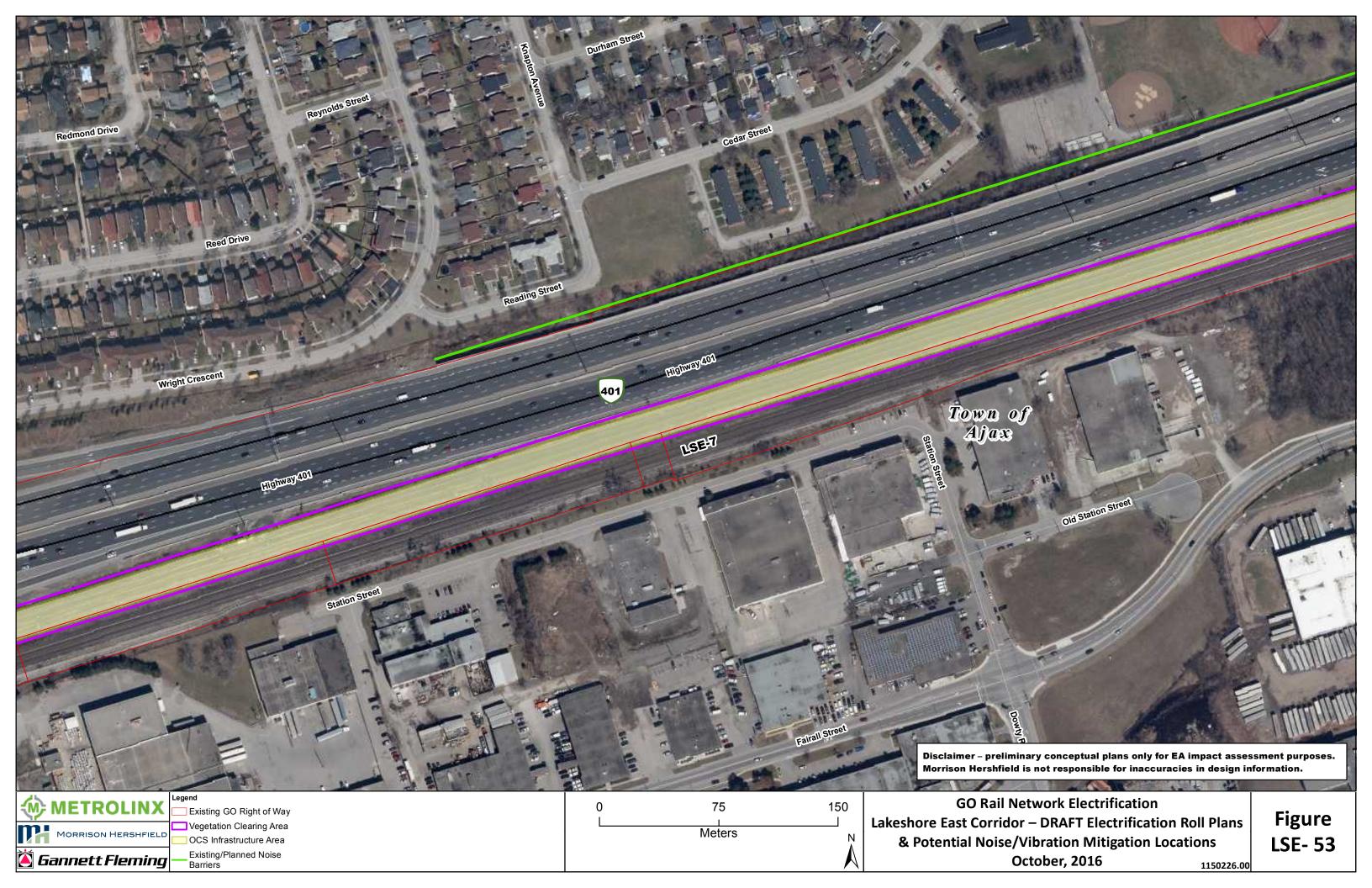




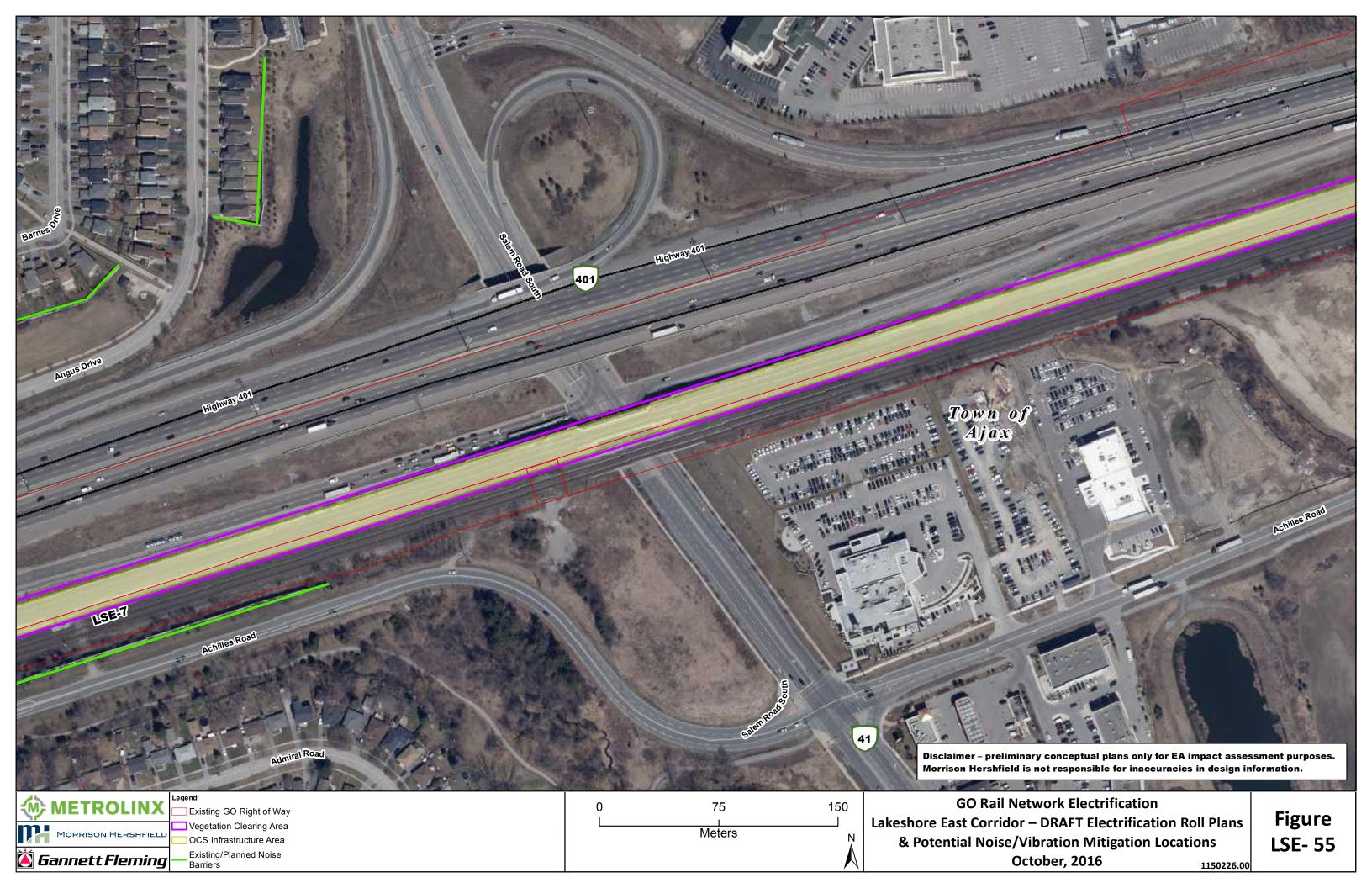


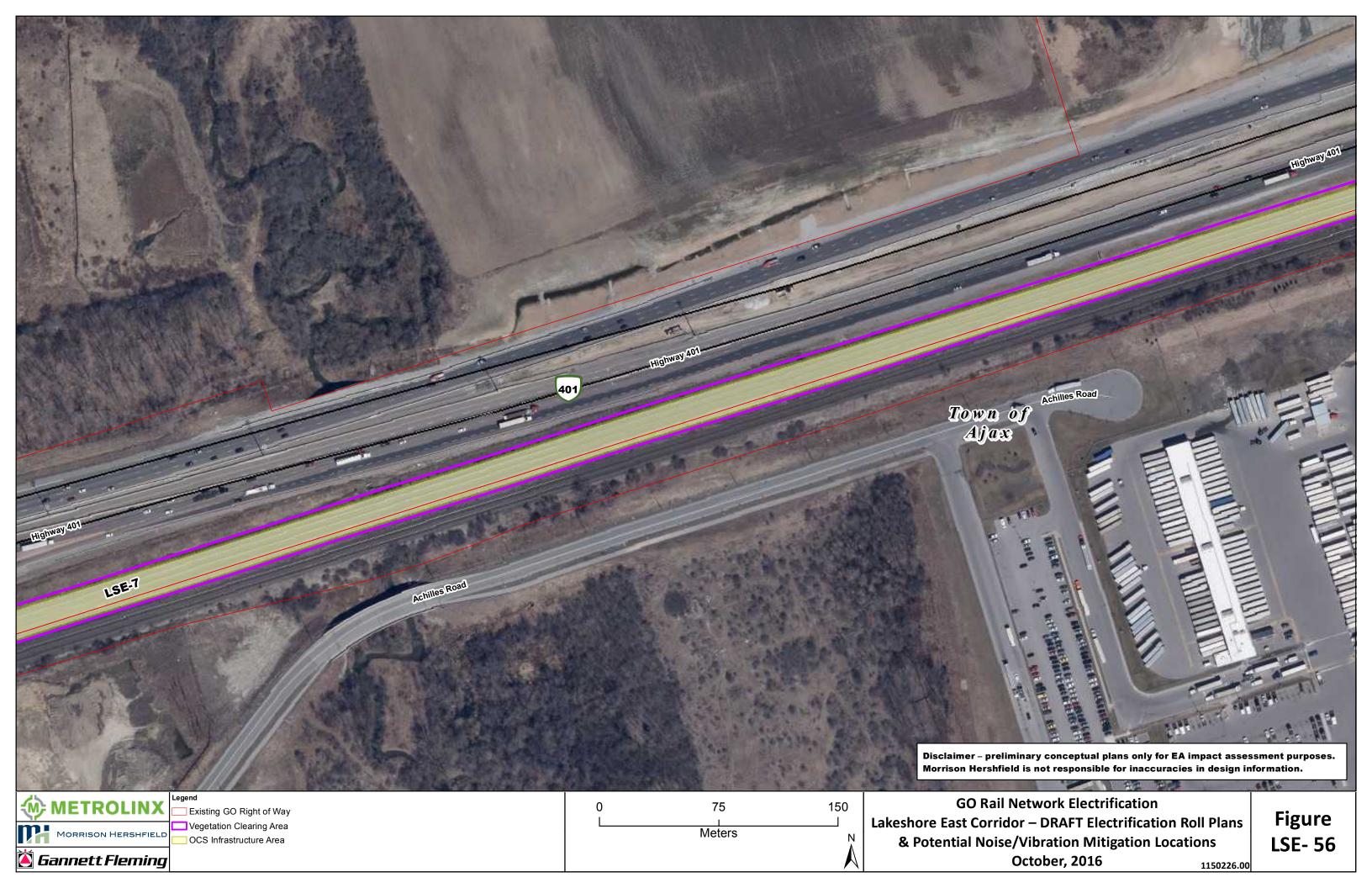


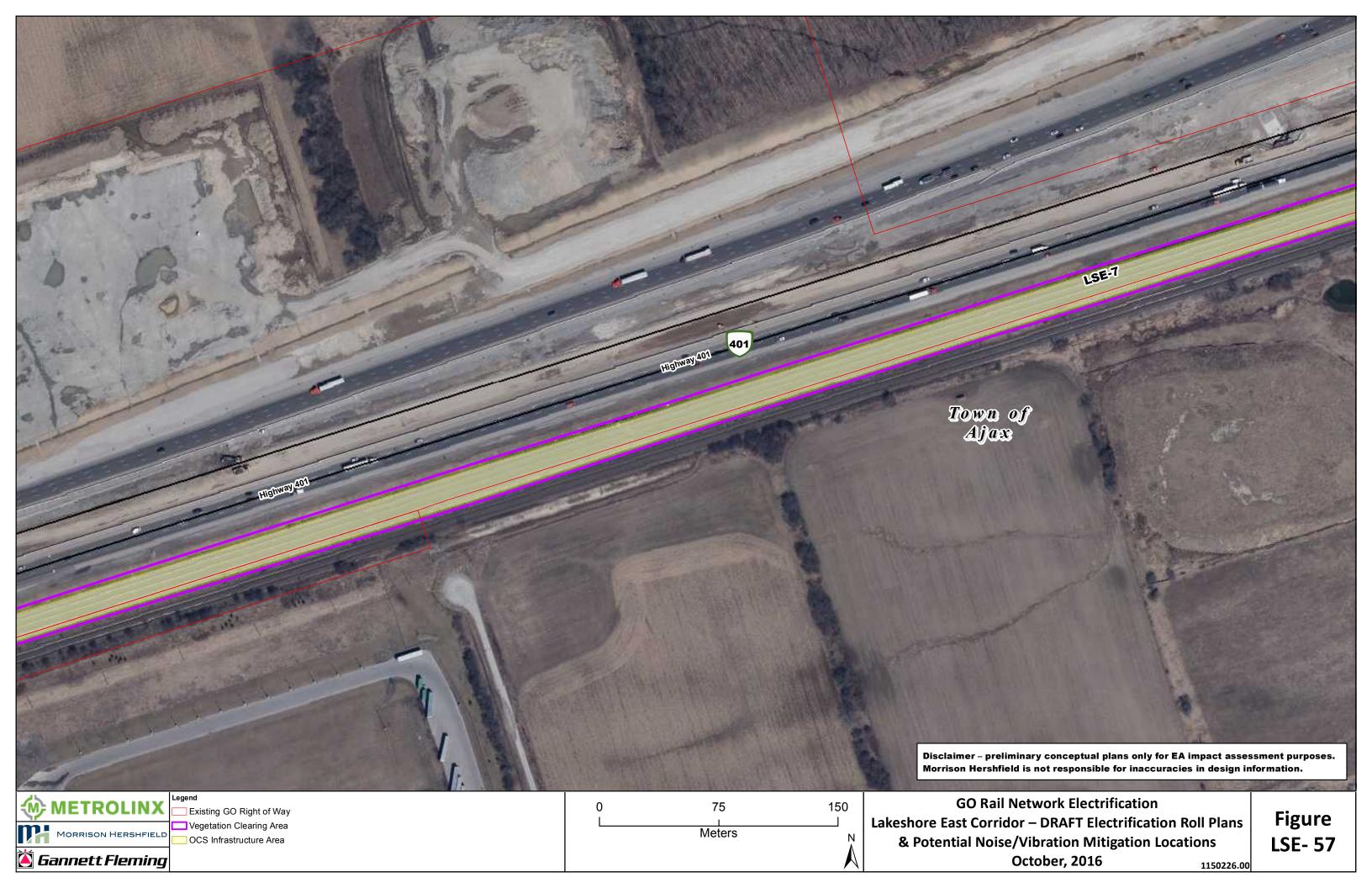


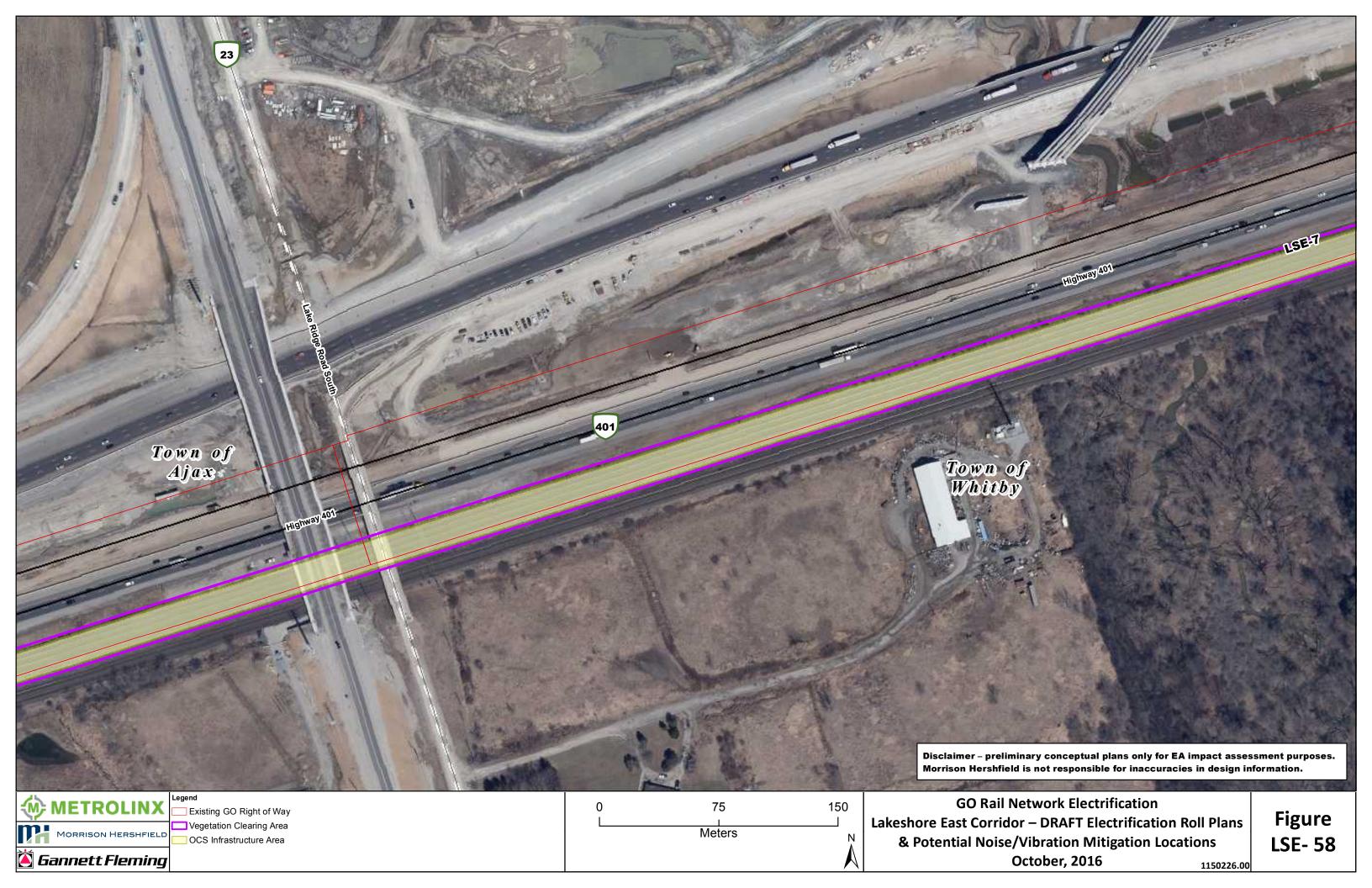












The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM REGION ROUNDTABLE ON CLIMATE CHANGE

October 14, 2016

A regular meeting of the Durham Region Roundtable on Climate Change was held on Friday, October 14, 2016 in Boardroom LL-C, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 1:01 PM

Present: R. Gauder, Citizen Member, Chair

M. Vroegh, Citizen Member, Vice-Chair attended the meeting at 1:08 PM

Councillor Ashe, Finance & Administration Committee

Councillor Ballinger, Works Committee G.H. Cubitt, Chief Administrative Officer

D. Gilbert. Citizen Member

Councillor Gleed, Health and Social Services Committee attended the

meeting at 1:12 PM
T. Hall, Citizen Member
H. Manns, Citizen Member
S. Moore, Citizen Member
B. Neil, Citizen Member

Absent: C. Caneo, Citizen Member

D. Hoornweg, Citizen Member E. Lacina, Citizen Member

Councillor Mitchell, Planning & Economic Development Committee

J. Solly, Citizen Member Regional Chair Anderson

Staff

Present: C. Drimmie, Policy and Research Advisor, Office of the CAO

B. Kelly, Manager of Sustainability, Office of the CAO

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

1. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by T. Hall, Seconded by J. Ballinger,

That the minutes of the regular Durham Region Roundtable on Climate Change meeting held on September 9, 2016, be adopted. CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Ontario Electricity Update

- A) Luisa Da Rocha, Manager, Regional and Community Engagement, Joe Toneguzzo, Director, Transmission Integration, and Andrew Pietrewicz, Director, Resource Integration, Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)
 - J. Toneguzzo, Director, Transmission Integration and A. Pietrewicz, Director, Resource Integration, Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO), provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to an Ontario Electricity Update. A copy of a booklet entitled "Ontario Planning Outlook A Technical Report on the Electricity System Prepared by the IESO" was provided as a handout.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Electricity Planning in Durham Region (GTA East)
 - o Bulk Electricity Planning in GTA East
 - o Regional Electricity Planning GTA East
 - o Electricity Needs in GTA East
- Link Between Regional Electricity and Community Energy Plans
 - Community Energy Plans and IRRPs
 - Linkage Electricity Planning and Community Energy Planning
 - GTA East Local Advisory Committee
- Ontario Planning Outlook and The Next LTEP
 - o IESO's Ontario Planning Outlook
 - Planning Context Under Bill 135
- State of the System: 10-Year Review
 - o Electricity Demand, 2005-2015 (TWh)
 - o Change in Installed Supply Resources, 2005-2015 (GW)
 - o Capacity Margins, 2002-2015 (MW)
 - Electricity Production by Fuel Type, 2005-2015 (TWh)
 - o Conservation Savings, 2006-2016 (TWh)
 - Ontario Electricity Sector GHG Emissions, 2005-2015 (MT CO2e)
 - Total Cost of Electricity Service, 2005-2015 (\$Billions, Real \$2016)
- Electricity System: 20-Year Outlook
 - o The 20-year Outlook
 - Demand Outlook
 - Outlook for net electricity demand (TWh)
 - Outlook for net summer peak demand (MW)
 - o Outlook for net winter peak demand (MW)
 - Conservation Outlook to meet LTEP 2013 Target (TWh)
 - Ontario Installed Capacity, projected to 2035 (GW)
 - o Resource Adequacy Outlook Across Demand Outlooks (GW)
 - Anticipated Resource Turnover (GW)

- Nuclear Refurbishments and Retirements
- Capacity now under IESO Contract that reaches of term by 2035 (GW)
- Age Distribution of Ontario's Generator Fleet
- Electricity Sector GHG Emissions in Outlook B (MT CO2e)
- Electricity Sector GHG Emissions in 2035 Across Range of Outlooks (MT CO2e)
- Cost of Electricity Service in 2035 Across Demand Outlooks (\$ Billions, \$2016 Real)
- o Recent LRP II Announcement
- Electricity Planning: Next Steps
- J. Toneguzzo stated that IESO works with Ontario's power system to ensure that there is enough power to meet the province's energy needs while also planning for and securing energy for the future. With respect to the GTA East, he stated that the Region is broken down into two sub-regions: Oshawa-Clarington; and Pickering-Ajax-Whitby. He stated that Durham Region has experienced a lot of growth and as a result, needs to look at new transformer stations to accommodate that growth.
- J. Toneguzzo stated that Community Energy Planning could significantly impact future electricity demand in the Region. He provided the following four factors that could impact electricity demand in the mid to long term in the Region:
 - Climate change policies that affect electricity use;
 - Continued intensification and development in Durham Region:
 - Electrification of mass transit and personal use vehicles; and
 - · Retirement of Pickering GS and future use of site.
- J. Toneguzzo stated that in June 2016, the Minister of Energy requested IESO to submit a technical report on the adequacy and reliability of Ontario's electricity resources in support of the Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP). He stated that the Ontario Planning Outlook (OPO) was submitted in September 2016 and provides planning context for the public, policy makers and industry stakeholders and serves as an early input into the Ministry's LTEP consultation process. The OPO looks at the needs of the electricity system over the next two decades associated with capacity, reliability, market and system operations, transmission and distribution, and includes a 10-year review and a 20-year outlook for Ontario's electricity system.
- J. Toneguzzo stated that actions taken over the past 10 years have left Ontario well positioned to meet future provincial needs but taking advantage of future opportunities and mitigating future risks will require ongoing efforts.
- J. Toneguzzo and A. Pietrewicz responded to questions of the Committee.

4. Comments on Proposed Community Climate Adaptation Plan

A) Brian Kelly, Manager of Sustainability, Durham Region re: Comments on <u>Durham Community Climate Adaptation Plan</u>

B. Kelly, Manager of Sustainability, provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to Comments on the Durham Community Climate Adaptation Plan. A copy of the Presentation was provided to Committee members via email.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Comment Process
- Meetings and Briefings
- Responses to Date
- Upcoming Meetings and Briefings
- Nature of Comments
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Further Comments Expected
- The Way Forward
- B. Kelly stated that the main purpose of his presentation is to advise the Committee where things stand as a result of the Committee's decision made on September 9th to provide more time for review and comment from the stakeholders. He stated that the proposed Plan was sent to regional departments, local municipalities, conservation authorities and electrical utilities for comments from their senior management and those comments were to be provided by October 11th. He stated that the comments received to date have been very supportive and most of the stakeholders recognize and accept their roles in the next phase.
- B. Kelly stated that he has attended a number of meetings and provided presentations to the partners with regards to the Plan and that there are upcoming meetings and briefings in place. He stated that most of the partners have agreed to providing an annual report of their progress on implementing the programs. He also stated that some concerns were expressed about the 'new buildings' program.
- B. Kelly stated that he recommends allowing a longer period of comment and feedback from partners as well as seeking opportunities for future presentations and feedback. He further stated that he will identify next steps to keep momentum and benefit from collective program development as well as to discuss reporting and renewal with the Durham Environmental Coordinating Committee (DECC). He stated that the Climate Adaptation Plan with appropriate amendments will be presented to Committee at the November meeting for approval.
- B. Kelly responded to a question with respect to the written documentation received from local municipal partners.

5. Lessons Learned from Climate Adaptation Programs

A) Todd Hall, Chair of Climate Adaptation Subcommittee

T. Hall, Chair of the Climate Adaptation Subcommittee, provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to Lessons Learned from Climate Adaptation Programs. A copy of the Presentation was provided to Committee members via email.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Literature Review
- Literature Review Lessons
- Cost-Benefit Evaluation of Adaptation Measures in Germany: Results/Summary – January 2013 Vienna
- Lesson Transfer
- Assessment Approaches UN Framework Convention on Climate Change
- Examples Supporting Durham Initiatives Adaptation through Local Planning
- Durham Initiatives
- Low/No Cost Programs
- Cost-Benefit Evaluation of Adaptation Measures in Germany: Lessons Learned – January 2013 Vienna
- Domino Effect After wildfires, Fort McMurray hit with Wasp Swarms
 & Flooding
- Infrastructure Resilience ROI Urban Land Institute
- Economics of Building Resilience
- Summary Key Takeaways

T. Hall stated that his presentation addresses a literature review of adaptation strategies and approaches taken in Durham Region compared to agencies around the globe. He stated that the literature review made use of case studies from the United Kingdom, Europe, Asia, Africa, and North America and reinforced that the approach taken by Durham Region is consistent with worldwide practices.

6. Other Business

A) <u>Durham Community Energy Plan – Stakeholder Consultation #1</u>

B. Kelly stated that the first Stakeholder Consultation with respect to the Durham Community Energy Plan was held on September 20, 2016 at the Brooklin Community Centre and Library. He stated that members can contact him should they be interested in the resulting report.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Durham Region Roundtable on Climate Change will be held on Friday, November 18, 2016 starting at 1 PM in Room LL-C, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

8. Adjournment

Moved by G.H. Cubitt, Seconded by M. Vroegh,
That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

R. Gauder, Chair, Durham Region Roundtable on Climate Change

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

9-1-1 MANAGEMENT BOARD

October 31, 2016

A regular meeting of the 9-1-1 Management Board was held in Meeting Room 1-A Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 9:30 A.M.

Present:

- G. Weir, Clarington Emergency & Fire Services (Chair)
- B. Chapman, Durham Regional Councillor
- J. Clapp, Commissioner of Finance, Durham Region
- C. Ibsen, Manager, Oshawa Central Ambulance Communications Centre, Ministry of Health & Long Term Care – Emergency Health Services Branch

Absent:

- T. Cheseboro, Region of Durham Paramedic Services
- S. Jones, Durham Regional Police
- S. Knox, Communications/9-1-1 Service Manager, Durham Regional Police

Staff

Present:

- J. Bickle-Hearn, Acting Sergeant, Communications, Durham Regional Police
- J. Moir, Assistant Director/Deputy Chief, Region of Durham Paramedic Services
- L. Nash, 9-1-1 Communications Training Coordinator, Durham Regional Police
- T. Fraser, Legislative Services Division Corporate Services Department

1. Approval of Minutes

J. Clapp requested that the motion to purchase an Exacom Server on page 3 of the June 2, 2016 minutes be amended in part b) to reflect that funds will be provided from the 9-1-1 reserve fund.

Moved by B. Chapman, Seconded by C. Ibsen,

(1) That the minutes of the 9-1-1 Management Board meeting held on June 2, 2016 be adopted, as amended.

CARRIED

The minutes of October 31, 2016 will be included in the December 2, 2016 Council Information Package.

2. 9-1-1 Call Statistics

L. Nash provided 2016 statistics on the number of calls received each month by the 9-1-1 call centre and she advised that the 2016 statistics to date indicate that the number of calls received each month is down.

Discussion ensued regarding the number of calls transferred to each agency per month; the call volume trends; and potential reasons for the decrease. It was requested that L. Nash continue to review the reasons for the decrease in calls and it was suggested she review whether individuals are using other methods of reporting to the Durham Regional Police Service such as the Collision Reporting Centre, online reporting and alternate telephone numbers.

3. Text with 9-1-1 Memorandum of Understanding

L. Nash provided a proposed Memorandum of Understanding regarding Text with 9-1-1 (T9-1-1) Call Handling Procedures as a handout. She explained how T9-1-1 calls are received and the current process used to initiate a text session with the caller. She also explained that the proposed procedures outline the process for handling T9-1-1 calls until all agencies are technologically prepared to accept T9-1-1 calls transferred from the Communications Centre (PPSAP).

Discussion ensued with respect to the possibility of adding the T9-1-1 Call Handling Procedures to the E9-1-1 P.E.R.S. Policy and Procedure Manual; and the process for adding procedures to the policy and procedure manual. It was requested that L. Nash update the proposed Text with 9-1-1 (T9-1-1) Call Handling Procedures to delete the references to a Memorandum of Understanding and circulate to Committee members.

Moved by B. Chapman, Seconded by J. Clapp,

- (2) That the following recommendation be forwarded to the Committee of the Whole for approval and recommendation to Regional Council:
- A) That the proposed Text with 9-1-1 (T9-1-1) Call Handling Procedures be approved and forwarded to the Committee of the Whole for approval and subsequent recommendation to Regional Council; and
- B) That the Text with 9-1-1 (T9-1-1) Call Handling Procedures be added to the Region of Durham E9-1-1 P.E.R.S. Policy and Procedure Manual. CARRIED

4. E9-1-1 P.E.R.S. Policy and Procedure Manual

G. Weir inquired about the status of updates to the Region of Durham E9-1-1 P.E.R.S. Policy and Procedure Manual. L. Nash advised that staff is working on updates to the manual. It was agreed that L. Nash and T. Fraser would review the current manual and provide a copy of the current version to members at the next meeting.

5. October 19, 2016 Incident

L. Nash advised that on October 19, 2016 the fibre-optic telephone lines on Rossland Road were cut due to construction and as a result the Communications/9-1-1 Centre was forced to move to the backup site at 77 Centre Street North in Oshawa. She explained that no calls were lost during the move and staff continued to follow-up throughout the day. She also advised that the telephone recording equipment, which was approved for purchase in June 2016, is now up and running at the backup site. She added that the Communications/9-1-1 Centre will be moving to the backup site again on November 1, 2016 as a test.

Discussion ensued with respect to whether Regional staff have been advised of the contractor error; operational impacts of moving to the backup site; and things to consider for the future.

6. 9-1-1 Management Board 2017 Budget

J. Clapp provided a copy of the proposed 2017 Budget for the Emergency 9-1-1 Telephone System as a handout. He advised that the proposed 2017 Regional Business Plans and Budgets will be presented to Committee of the Whole in February 2017 for consideration and subsequent recommendation to Regional Council. He asked that the Committee approve the proposed 2017 Budget subject to the Regional Finance Department reviewing with S. Jones, Durham Regional Police.

Moved by B. Chapman, Seconded by C. Ibsen,

(3) That the proposed 2017 9-1-1 budget be approved, subject to final review between the Regional Finance Department and S. Jones, Durham Regional Police; and that the proposed 2017 9-1-1 budget be forwarded to the Regional Finance Department for inclusion in the proposed 2017 Regional Business Plans and Budgets.

CARRIED

7. 2017 Meeting Schedule

The 9-1-1 Management Board members discussed and agreed to the following meeting dates for 2017:

- January 24, 2017
- April 25, 2017
- June 27, 2017
- October 31, 2017

8. Other Departments - Comments/Concerns:

a) <u>Comments/Concerns – Regional Council</u>

There were no comments.

b) Comments/Concerns – Durham Police

There were no comments.

c) <u>Comments/Concerns – Fire Departments</u>

There were no comments.

- d) <u>Comments/Concerns Oshawa Central Ambulance Communications Centre</u>
 - C. Ibsen requested that the agenda be revised to include comments/concerns from the Oshawa Central Ambulance Communications Centre instead of the Ministry of Health.
 - C. Ibsen thanked the Committee for their support and for purchasing a pizza lunch during Communicators Week.
 - C. Ibsen advised that Jason Collins is the new Senior Field Manager for the Central East Field Office, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care. She also spoke to some of the staffing struggles experienced at the Oshawa Central Ambulance Communications Centre. She noted that they have recently added 2 staff members and 3 additional staff members are currently in training.
- e) Comments/Concerns Durham Finance

There were no comments.

f) <u>Comments/Concerns – Region of Durham Paramedic Services</u>

There were no comments.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the 9-1-1 Management Board will be held on January 24, 2017 at the Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, in Meeting Room 1-E.

10. Adjournment

Moved by B. Chapman, Seconded by J. Clapp,

(4) That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

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Gord \	Weir, Chair				

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 1, 2016

A regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 in Boardroom 1-B, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 7:35 PM

Present: D. Risebrough, Member at Large, Chair

Z. Cohoon, Federation of Agriculture, Vice-Chair

J. Henderson, Oshawa

B. Howsam, Member at Large G. O'Connor, Regional Councillor

H. Schillings, Whitby T. Watpool, Brock B. Winter, Ajax

Absent: K. Kennedy, Member at Large

F. Puterbough, Member at Large, Vice-Chair

I. Bacon, Member at Large D. Bath, Member at Large E. Bowman, Clarington R. Cox, Uxbridge

K. Kemp, Scugog

Staff

Present: K. Allore, Project Planner, Department of Planning and Economic

Development

N. Rutherford, Manager, Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Department of

Planning and Economic Development

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

1. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by T. Watpool, Seconded by B. Winter,

That the minutes of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on October 4, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Presentations

- A) Scott Back Sustainable Land Use Manager, Rouge National Urban Park, Parks Canada
 - S. Back, Sustainable Land Use Manager, and R. Scott, Senior Planner, Rouge National Urban Park, provided a PowerPoint presentation with regards to the Rouge National Urban Park.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- A Protected Area Like No Other
- Park Area
- 2016 Milestones
- Farmland Enhancement
- Integrated restoration/farmland enhancement for 2016
- Cultural Resource Conservation
- Programming
- Facilities & Trails
- Outreach Activities
- Transition to New Leases
- Types of Parks Canada Leases
- Draft Leasing Strategy
- Maintenance and Re-Capitalization Projects on Leaseholds
- S. Back and R. Scott stated that the Rouge National Urban Park is home to 1700 species of bio-diversity; working farms; as well as some of Canada's oldest known Indigenous sites.
- S. Back and R. Scott stated that land to create the Rouge National Urban Park is coming from all levels of government and Parks Canada currently has agreements with Transport Canada, the Province, Regional municipalities of York and Durham, the Cities of Toronto, Markham and Pickering, as well as the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority. They stated that former Transport Canada leases were assumed by Parks Canada and that they will also be assuming existing leases from other jurisdictions when future lands are transferred. They further stated that they are developing a leasing strategy to transition to long-term leases with tenant farmers and that this leasing strategy will benefit farmers, Parks Canada and Rouge National Urban Park. They advised that Parks Canada is engaging farmers and other agencies in developing the leasing strategy.

S. Back and R. Scott responded to questions with regards to the park's involvement with the operations of the farms; the park's policy on expansion; whether the leases are transferable; the classification of land; whether there is a local advisory board that provides feedback and input; the number of farmers that live and farm on the land; and the cancellation notice period for leases.

4. Discussion Items

A) <u>DAAC Pickering Representative</u>

K. Allore advised that the DAAC Pickering Representative has been posted and the deadline for submissions is November 14, 2016. She stated that the goal is to have the new member appointed by Pickering Council in November and endorsed by Regional Council in December.

B) Private Member's Bill on Certified Crop Advisors – Clarification Required

K. Allore advised that DAAC's motion regarding the Private Member's Bill on Certified Crop Advisors was presented to the Committee of the Whole on October 5, 2016 and referred back to DAAC for clarification.

Discussion ensued with regards to whether the Committee wished to resubmit their comments to the Committee of the Whole and Council for endorsement. It was the consensus of the Committee that a report be presented to the Committee of the Whole and subsequently to Council providing additional information with regards to DAAC's motion and that DAAC's motion be provided again to the Committee of the Whole and Regional Council for approval. It was agreed that the following comments be summarized in the report to provide further clarification:

- The "Certified Crop Advisor" (CCA) certification was established in 1992 to provide a benchmark for practicing agronomy professionals in the United States and Canada;
- CCAs are consultants, used by farmers, who are educated about the different products available and can advise farmers on what should be used given the specific needs of each operation;
- CCAs provide advice on a number of matters, including: nutrition, fertilizer, herbicide, and seed selection. This is why CCAs are often employed by companies who sell many different products;
- Farmers should have the flexibility to continue to work with the CCA professionals they have established trusted relationships with;
- CCAs present options to farmers for their consideration and the farmer makes the final decision on what is best for their property and business;

- CCAs can work for seed stores representing multiple companies, they do not benefit financially by recommending one company or product over another;
- ON Reg. 139/15 related to CCAs was implemented too quickly and did not provide farmers the opportunity to understand the full impact of these changes during the initial consultation period;
- There are very few CCAs who are independent consultants and are not employed by a seed or chemical company; and
- If these restrictions are imposed, farmers will lose access to their crop.

C) Minimum Distance Separation (MDS) Update

K. Allore stated that the revised Minimum Distance Separation (MDS) guidelines have been released by the Province and will take effect on March 1, 2017. She stated that she will provide a copy of the final document once available.

D) <u>Guidelines on Permitted Uses in Ontario's Prime Agricultural Areas</u>

K. Allore advised that the Guidelines on Permitted Uses in Ontario's Prime Agricultural Areas was developed by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) with the intent to help municipalities, decision-makers and farmers interpret Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) policies on permitted uses in prime Agricultural Areas.

E) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update

N. Rutherford provided an update on the following matters:

- Celebrate Agriculture Night was held on October 27, 2016 at the Royal Ashburn Golf Course and was a huge success. The 3 Agricultural Awards went to Brad Found (Leadership Award); the Rickard Family (Spirit of Agriculture); and the McKay Family (Family Farm Award).
- The Local Food Entrepreneurship Workshop is scheduled for November 17, 2016 at the Sunderland Memorial Arena Auditorium.
 The workshop will be hosted by Durham Region in partnership with the Township of Brock, Business Advisory Centre Durham (BACD) and OMAFRA with support from Durham Farm Fresh.
- There is a survey on the regional website that allows feedback to be provided with regards to the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Newsletter.

- The regional website is being redesigned and redeveloped by the Information Technology Division and everyone is invited to provide feedback. The survey is entitled "Your Opinion Counts" and is available on the regional website.
- The North Durham Building Business Forum held on October 21, 2016 at St. Paul's in Leaskdale in the Township of Uxbridge was a successful event.
- The Economic Development Department is launching an in-depth review of home-based businesses in North Durham Region. The program will aim to reach out to home businesses to help with their challenges and offer advice on how they can grow.

5. Information Items

A) Agriculture and Rural Affairs Newsletter

A copy of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Newsletter was provided as Attachment #3 to the Agenda, and received.

6. Other Business

A) New Manager of Strategic Planning Division

K. Allore advised that the new manager of the Strategic Planning Division is Colleen Goodchild.

B) Ontario's Environmental Commissioner visit to Kawartha Lakes

H. Schillings advised that he attended a Kawartha Conservation Authority meeting on October 20, 2016 to discuss issues impacting the watershed and the recently approved climate change strategy. He advised that Commissioner Dianne Saxe was in attendance and there were discussions regarding the use of zero fossil fuels in 20 to 25 years; new development lands; and concrete barriers along natural waterfronts.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 starting at 7:30 PM in Boardroom 1-B, Level 1, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Z. Cohoon, Seconded by H. Schillings, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:21 PM

D. Risebrough, Chair, Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk

Action Items Committee of the Whole and Regional Council

Meeting Date	Request	Assigned Department(s)	Anticipated Response Date
September 7, 2016 Committee of the Whole	Business Case for Projects Managed Directly by the Region – Increasing the number of projects which are managed directly by the Region, whether through employees or contracted staff – referred to the 2017 budget process.	Works	2017 Budget Process
September 7, 2016 Committee of the Whole	It was requested that a copy of Ms. Gasser's delegation questions be referred to staff and that a report be presented to the Committee of the Whole with answers to Ms. Gasser's concerns.	Works	October 5, 2016
September 7, 2016 Committee of the Whole	Staff was requested to provide a report on the correspondence from the City of Pickering with respect to the Notice of Motion adopted at their Council meeting held on June 27, 2016, re: residential tax relief to eligible low income seniors and low income disabled persons (Pulled from August 19, 2016 Council Information Package)	Finance / Social Services	
September 7, 2016 Committee of the Whole	Staff was requested to provide information on the possibility of an educational campaign designed to encourage people to sign up for subsidized housing at the next Committee of the Whole meeting. (Region of Durham's Program Delivery and Fiscal Plan for the 2016 Social Infrastructure Fund Program) (2016-COW-19)	Social Services / Economic Development	October 5, 2016
September 7, 2016 Committee of the Whole	Section 7 of Attachment #1 to Report #2016-COW-31, Draft Procedural By-law, as it relates to Appointment of Committees was referred back to staff to review the appointment process.	Legislative Services	First Quarter 2017

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October 5, 2016 Committee of the Whole	Ms. Gasser appeared before the Committee with respect to Covanta's Diagnostic Source Testing Presentation that was made at the September 21, 2016 Energy from Waste - Waste Advisory Committee meeting. Staff was asked to provide a response back to Ms. Gasser's questions and that a copy of their response be provided to the Committee.	Works	
October 5, 2016 Committee of the Whole	That Correspondence (CC 65) from the Municipality of Clarington regarding the Durham York Energy Centre Stack Test Results be referred to staff for a report to Committee of the Whole	Works	
November 2, 2016 Committee of the Whole	Staff advised that the joint Ministry of Transportation and the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Changes Air Monitoring results would be shared with Council.	Works	