



Bayshore Station to Moodie Drive LRT Extension Environmental Assessment Studies

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Overview

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- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) conversion
- Light Maintenance and Storage Facility (LMSF)
- Bayshore Station Expanded Bus Terminal
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BACKGROUND & SCOPE



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Background

- BRT Transitway Extension from Bayshore Station to Moodie Drive currently under construction
- Expected revenue service in November 2017
- Conversion from BRT to LRT in the Ultimate Network but not in the Affordable Network
- Inclusion of Moodie LRT extension/LMSF within Stage 2 looking increasingly likely
- EA addenda's initiated with this in mind







Scope of Environmental Assessments

- Bayshore to Moodie
 - City priorities for expansion to the west
 - LRT station closer to DND employment node
 - Conversion from BRT to LRT
 - Siting of an LMSF beyond Bayshore
- Bayshore Expanded Bus Terminal
 - Updated ridership more space required
 - Not needed if Moodie is end of line







Study Process

• Modifications to approved EPR

Modifications consistent with EPR	Insignificant modifications inconsistent with EPR	Significant modifications inconsistent with EPR				
Proceed with modification	Prepare addendum	Prepare addendum				
	Update local project file	Notice of Environmental Project Report Addendum				
		Public Review				
		Ministerial Approval				







LRT NETWORK OPTIONS



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Network Options



Preferred Network Option

- No throw away capital costs/least cost to implement
- Through riders not impacted by LRT diverting to DND
- Most direct route to serve majority of passengers who are destined west of Moodie
- DND bus shuttle less costly to operate compared to LRT service
- Consistent with previous City studies re Kanata LRT extension/alignment

BRT TO LRT CONVERSION

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Reuse of Existing BRT Infrastructure

- Alignment/retaining walls/noise barriers
- BRT Station (to the extent possible)
- 417 ramp grade separation
- Stillwater Creek improvements
- Holly Acres Bridge (as designed)
- Add Kiss and Ride
- Expand Bus terminal

Conversion from Buses to LRT Vehicles

- Conversion of BRT to LRT eliminates 200,000 bus trips annually
- Existing and future air quality conditions all fall below the allowable limits of CO, HC, NO_x, and PM

Noise & Vibration

- Existing background noise (Highway 417 traffic) is the predominant noise source
- Two noise barriers recommended to attenuate noise from future highway traffic to be retained
- Potential relocation of Holly Acres noise barrier to north side of new LRT bridge
- Vibration impacts not considered an issue/no mitigation needed

්ර්ttawa Storm Water Management/Drainage

- LRT impact is positive:
 - Decreased amount of impervious surfaces
 - No new SWM initiatives required
 - Maintain existing SWM initiatives implemented for BRT

Council Motion for Moodie Park and Ride

- Council approved the February 24 FEDCO motion as follows; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff be directed to explore opportunities for a Park and Ride to be located at the Moodie Station with consultation among all the large landowners in the immediate vicinity including leasing opportunities with the National Capital Commission;
 - THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff report back to FEDCO by the end of 2017.
 - Moved by Mayor J. Watson (on behalf of Councillor S. Qadri)
- Stage 2 staff are investigating possible options

LIGHT MAINTENANCE & STORAGE FACILITY(LMSF)

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Western LMSF Options

• Belfast MSF to be expanded to full capacity

 Will handle all heavy maintenance/ inspections/overhauls of entire LRT fleet

- Three "light" MSF options in the west:
 - Utilize existing Baseline 3 cell box structure
 - Build Woodroffe LMSF as per West LRT EA
 - Build LMSF in LRT extension beyond Bayshore

LMSF Location Options

- Baseline Station cleaning/ storage facility not ideal:
 - Not designed for storage and cleaning
 - Not all LMSF work could be performed here
 - Inferior to purpose built LMSF but could be an interim facility until new LMSF is affordable
 - If built first, convert to non revenue vehicle maintenance to avoid throw away costs
- Woodroffe LMSF:
 - Requires mitigation measures due to proximity to community
 - Not ideally located in terms of deadhead mileage
 - Lengthy elevated guideway from Baseline to LMSF does not attract ridership
 - Cost to connect to Woodroffe site is high due to extremely poor soil conditions
 - City has no plans to extend LRT beyond Baseline in the foreseeable future

Preferred LMSF Location

- Moodie/Kanata LMSF Site Preferred
- Extension of LRT to the west beyond Bayshore is a City priority
 - Lower cost to connect to LMSF as revenue service
 LRT is planned/no throw away costs
 - Purpose built facility can be implemented for all LMSF work
 - Lower deadhead mileage compared to Woodroffe site

LMSF Distance from the Main Line

Separation of an MSF from the main line affects:

- Increased labour costs to access the yard
- Increased deadhead mileage for LRT vehicles/mileage costs
- Increased maintenance costs for track, OCS, track bed, etc.
- The amount of time available for nightly maintenance of LRT infrastructure

Importance of Nightly Maintenance Window

- Nightly maintenance window is 4-5 hours
- If it takes an additional 15 minutes inbound and outbound to get from the yard to the mainline the available nightly maintenance window is reduced 10-12.5 % in perpetuity

LMSF Distance Criteria to the Main Line

- Vast majority of Canadian MSF's (light and heavy rail) are within 200 m of the mainline including all 5 existing TTC rail yards
- Existing Belfast MSF is 525 m from main line
- Woodroffe MSF (1200 m) is excessive leading to LMSF search in Moodie LRT area
- 750 m adopted as a search criteria (50 % longer than Belfast MSF distance to main line)

Moodie/Kanata LMSF Site Alternatives

- Alternative LMSF locations identified using the following site characteristics:
 - Topography and Grade: Level ground
 - Size: Approximately 16 hectares
 - Environment: Avoid areas of geographical, environmental and historical importance
 - Connections: Connect to LRT corridor
 - Access Redundancy: Two tracks required for LMSF access and egress

Candidate LMSF Sites

LMSF Screening Criteria

Criteria	Indicator/Measurement								
Social Environmental Characteristics									
Effects to local residents	Minimizes effects on visual intrusion, noise air quality, vibration								
Site safety	Ability to restrict access to the MSF								
Agricultural capacity	Minimizes effects on Class 1-3 agricultural lands or land under active use								
Transportation network	Minimizes effects on existing and future transportation network.								
Pedestrian/cyclists	Minimizes effects on existing and future pedestrian movements								
Existing land uses	Minimizes effects on existing and planned land uses								
Heritage / Culture	Minimizes effects on areas identified or having potential for archaeological or cultural								
	significance								
Bio-Physical Environmental Characteristics									
Soil types	Geotechnical characteristics to support a facility of this type								
Impacted Materials	Minimizes potential to encounter impacted materials								
Key terrestrial features	Minimizes effects on key terrestrial systems and features								
Key aquatic features	Minimizes effects on key aquatic systems and features								
Geological faults	Avoids areas of active faults								

LMSF Screening Criteria

Criteria	Indicator/Measurement							
Facility Operations								
Expansion Capability	Ability to stage/expand facility							
MSF Site Servicing	Access to Municipal Services, Utilities and Power							
	Extent of reuse of existing infrastructure							
Existing services	Minimizes conflicts with Municipal Services, Utilities and Power							
Road access	Maximizes accessibility for, to, and from the MSF							
LRT Station location	Ease of connection to future LRT station/mainline and BRT integration							
BRT Station location	Maximizes integration with BRT station							
Economics								
Capital Costs	Minimizes class D construction cost estimate							
Property Ownership and Acquisition	Minimizes costs based on land use types and number of property owners							

LMSF Evaluation

Best Meets Criteria

Somewhat Meets Criteria

> Does not Meet Criteria

	Social						Bio-Physical					Operations				Economics			
	Local residents	Site safety	Agricultural	Road Network	Pedestrian /cyclists	Existing land uses	Heritage / Culture	Soil types	Impacted Materials	Terrestrial features	Aquatic features	Geological faults	Servicing	Existing Services	Road Access	LRT Station	BRT Station	Capital	Property
Site 1: (East of Moodie, near Carling)	x	•	×	•	×	\checkmark	•	×	×	x	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	•	\$	\checkmark
Site 2: (East of Moodie, north of soccer fields)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	\checkmark	x	x	x	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	•	\$\$	\checkmark
Site 3: (West of Moodie north of Queensway)	\checkmark	•	•	•	\checkmark	×	•	•	\checkmark	•	×	\checkmark	•	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\$\$	•
Site 4: (West of Moodie/Regional Road 59 south of Queensway)	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	\checkmark	~	\checkmark	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	\checkmark	×	x	•	•	•	\$\$	•
Site 5: (East of Moodie/Regional Road 59, south of Queensway)	٠	٠	×	\checkmark	•	•	x	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	•	×	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	\$\$	•
Site 6: (Far East of Moodie/Regional Road 59, south of Queensway)	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	•	\checkmark	\checkmark	x	•	\checkmark	•	x	×	×	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	\checkmark	\$\$	•
Site 7: (West of 416, south of Queensway)	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	•	\checkmark	\checkmark	x	•	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	•	×	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	\checkmark	\$\$\$	•
Site 8: (West of 416 near Baseline Road, south of Queensway)	•	•	×	•	•	\checkmark	×	•	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	•	×	\checkmark	•	\checkmark	\checkmark	\$\$\$	•

Screening of Shortlisted LMSF sites

- Site 1 and 6 do not meet 25% of the criteria, Site 1 has the largest number of criteria not met
- Site 7 and 8 *are not affordable*
- The remaining sites are feasible but will still require mitigation
- Of the four remaining sites:
 - Sites 2,3, and 4 have the most evaluations that best meet the criteria
 - Site 5 is similar with variable soils conditions that create constructability challenges
- Sites 2,3 and 4 will be carried forward for further design refinement, evaluation and mitigation

Moodie BRT & LRT Station Integration

- Pedestrian connection from LRT platform to bus terminal
- Redundant elevators
- Same architecture / passenger experience as Stage 1 stations
- Fare paid bus terminal
- Public washrooms

Ottawa Preliminary Short-list Evaluation Criteria

- Connectivity (pedestrians and cyclists)
- Local traffic
- Bus travel time, quality of service and bus transfers
- Views and vistas
- Noise/Air Quality/Vibration
- Groundwater

- Water quality/Stillwater Creek
- Fish habitat
- Species at Risk
- Operational flexibility
- Affordability (capital and operating)
- Existing land use

BAYSHORE EXPANDED BUS TERMINAL

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Bus Facility Requirements at Bayshore

- EA concepts for bus terminal impacted by:
 - July ridership forecasts
 - Increased bus facility requirements
 - Station on a skew angle
 - Configuration of tail track
- Bus facility also impacted by possible Moodie LRT extension

Bayshore/Moodie Bus Facility Requirements

	Wit	hout Moo	die LRT Ext	tension	With Moodie LRT Extension					
Source	Вау	yshore	Мо	odie	Baysh	ore(1)	Moodie(1)			
	Bays	Laybys	Bays	Laybys	Bays	Laybys	Bays	Laybys		
EA Concept	9	10+8(3)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
July Stage 2 Forecasts(2031)	12(4)	24(4)	NA	NA	5(5)	6(5)	8(6)	14(6)		
Existing	11(2)	8-10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		

Conceptual Layout of Expanded Bus Terminal

Noi<mark>se Analysis</mark>

- Expanded bus terminal analyzed for compliance with MOECC noise guidelines(NPC-300)
- Plane of window and outdoor living space assessed for closest receptors for daytime and nighttime
- Expanded bus terminal complies with all applicable MOECC performance limits
- No mitigation required

NEXT STEPS IN EA PROCESS

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Development of Short-Listed Sites

- Investigate shortlisted sites in more detail:
 - LMSF track access/grades/length of connection
 - Impact of LMSF connections on station location
 - Layout/functional planning of LMSF
 - Preliminary design of LRT terminal station
 - Impacts and mitigation measures
 - Respond to public comments and issues
 - Capital and operating cost estimates
 - Define property requirements
 - Feasibility: cost and approvals
 - Consideration of addendum requirements

Moodie LRT/LMSF Implementation Scenarios

- With Moodie LRT/LMSF as part of Stage 2 scope:
 - Complete EA and preliminary engineering for LRT extension and LMSF
 - Include in Stage 2 RFP as recommended scope
 - EA for expanded Bayshore bus terminal to proceed to protect project if Bayshore is the terminus
- In the unlikely event Moodie LMSF site is not feasible:
 - Western LMSF location deferred to Kanata LRT EA
 - Interim storage and cleaning facility at Baseline and expanded Belfast MSF (east) in the interim

Future Public Consultation/EA Schedule

- PAC meeting held on March 6, 2017
- Initial public meeting on March 22, 2017
- Second public meeting in May/June 2017
 - Moodie LRT/LMSF preferred site and mitigation measures
- Complete preliminary engineering of preferred LMSF site and LRT extension
- Report to City Council in July, 2017 re completion of EA
- EA approval in Fall 2017
- Stage 2 contract award in May 2018 including Moodie LRT/LMSF

Questions

