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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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Municipality of Brockton
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**RE: Class EA to Replace the Teeswater River Bridge
County of Bruce (Paisley)**

The County of Bruce is planning to replace the bridge spanning the Teeswater River in central Paisley on Bruce Road 3 (see attached key plan). The bridge was constructed in 1935 and has reached the end of its service life. The new crossing will be constructed in the same location as the existing and be designed to accommodate flooding events in the Saugeen and Teeswater Rivers. As part of the Class EA process residents will have an opportunity to provide input on design features associated with the bridge, including sidewalk width, railing style, etc.

Detour options during construction are also being considered as part of study investigations. Due to the size of the crossing, construction could take up to one year. Four detour options have been posted on a website dedicated to the project to allow residents to provide feedback on the various detour alternatives. The Class EA process is expected to be completed by the fall of 2021, with construction of the new crossing tentatively scheduled to begin in 2022.

The planning for this project is following the environmental planning and design process set out for Schedule 'C' activities under the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) process, which is an approved process under the Environmental Assessment Act. The purpose of the Class EA process is to identify any potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed works and to plan for appropriate mitigation of any identified impacts. This process includes consultation with the general public, government review agencies, indigenous communities and affected property owners.

Your organization has been identified as possibly having an interest in this project and we are soliciting your input. A **Virtual Public Meeting** has been scheduled to advise residents of the current status of the project and to receive additional input from interested parties. Details of the meeting are as follows:

Date: Tuesday September 22, 2020
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Format: Virtual Meeting

Due to COVID-19 concerns, the meeting will be held virtually using the Zoom platform. Pre-registration is required to participate during the meeting. Presentation material will be posted on the project website at www.paisleybridgestudy.ca as of September 14, 2020 to allow an opportunity to review the material in advance. Representatives from the County of Bruce and the project engineers, will be present at the meeting to answer questions. Please contact Lisa Courtney at lcourtney@bmross.net or (888) 524-2641 x- 238 to register for participation in the meeting.

Alternatively, we can forward you hard copies of the presentation material to review. Please forward any comments on the information by October 30, 2020. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the undersigned at kvader@bmross.net or by phone at 1-888-524-2641.

Yours very truly

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cc. Jim Donohoe, County of Bruce

