

PROVINCE INVESTING IN HIGHWAY 6 AND 401 EXPANSIONS

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Key infrastructure project will eliminate congestion at Morriston and improve the traffic flow between Hamilton and Highway 401

News Release

HAMILTON — Ontario is delivering on its commitment to build a better transportation system by moving forward with the expansion and improvement of Highways 6 and 401 from Hamilton to Hwy 401, helping to move people and goods more effectively and safely in the region while supporting the creation of local jobs.

The new alignment and expansion will remove the Morriston bottleneck and improve the flow of transport truck and passenger vehicle traffic. The new design will bypass Morriston and directly connect highway 401 and highway 6.

“This project is essential to improving transportation between Hamilton and Highway 401” said Donna Skelly, MPP for Flamborough-Glanbrook. “It will improve the flow of traffic along this vital economic corridor, ensure the growth of the region and reduce the frustration of drivers and village residents trapped in lengthy traffic jams.”

The plan to expand Highways 6 and 401 from Hamilton to Hwy 401 includes:

- Widening Highway 401 from six to ten lanes, including two managed lanes between Highway 6 North and Highway 6 South;
- Constructing two new interchanges and improvements to existing interchanges; and,
- A new five-kilometre multi-lane divided highway, bypassing the community of Morriston.

"Highway 6 is a key transportation corridor in the region. That's why we are making historic investments to expand and modernize it," said Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation. "We are investing in these critical infrastructure projects to drive economic growth and create jobs during these extremely difficult times."

Quick Facts

- The section of Highway 6 through Morriston is one of the busiest two-lane provincial highways in Ontario.
- For 2020-21, the province has allocated approximately \$2.6 billion to expand and repair Ontario's highways and bridges. This includes construction funding of \$764 million for expansion.

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