



Welcome to the first Information Session for the Madawaska/Edmundston International Bridge and Border Crossing Feasibility and Planning Study June 2017

Purpose of this Information Session

The Study Team is conducting an initial information session as part of the Madawaska/Edmundston International Bridge and Border Crossing Feasibility and Planning Study to consult with and obtain input from the public. The Feasibility and Planning Study will develop and evaluate alternatives for rehabilitating or replacing the International Bridge connecting Madawaska, Maine to Edmundston, New Brunswick, as well as addressing the potential Port of Entry (POE) requirements in both Madawaska, ME and Edmundston, NB. The study team is led by:

- Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT)
- U.S. General Services Agency (GSA)
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)
- New Brunswick Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (NBDTI)
- Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC)
- Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA).



Purpose and Need for the Project

The purpose of this project is to provide for the long-term safe and efficient flow of current and projected traffic volumes, including the movement of goods and people between Edmundston, New Brunswick and Madawaska, Maine.

The proposed project is needed because: 1) the existing International Bridge is nearing the end of its useful life, and 2) the existing Madawaska POE is substandard, inhibiting the agencies assigned to the POE from efficiently and effectively fulfilling their respective missions.

Basic Facts

- MaineDOT and NBDTI have no intention of adding to their bridge inventory. Therefore, if a new bridge is built, the preference is to decommission the existing bridge.
- A new bridge would have two lanes, shoulders, and a sidewalk to accommodate vehicular and non-motorized traffic.
- The current U.S. POE is under sized and obsolete and will be replaced in conjunction with the bridge project.
- The CBSA would prefer not to move the existing POE in Edmundston.
- This project is looking for a long-term solution. New bridge and border crossing infrastructure should be designed to last 75 years.

Regional Context Map



Stay Informed

A project website will be hosted by MaineDOT and will be up by the summer of 2017; project information will be available along with information on future meetings.

A second Public Information Session will be scheduled for the fall of 2017 and will have updates to the progress of the Feasibility and Planning Study. The final study results will be published in 2018.

If you have further questions or comments, please contact:

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