

York Region's Responses to Metrolinx and Toronto Region Board of Trade Communications

Transportation Services
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PURPOSE

Update on the Region's responses to Metrolinx and Toronto Region Board of Trade communications. The communications are summarized in three memoranda to Council:

1. Metrolinx Reviewing the Approach to new Kirby and Mulock GO Stations
2. Metrolinx Proposed Transit Prioritization Framework
3. Toronto Region Board of Trade Proposed Infrastructure Options to Improve Goods Movement in Canada's Innovation Corridor

METROLINX REVIEW OF NEW KIRBY AND MULOCK GO RAIL STATIONS

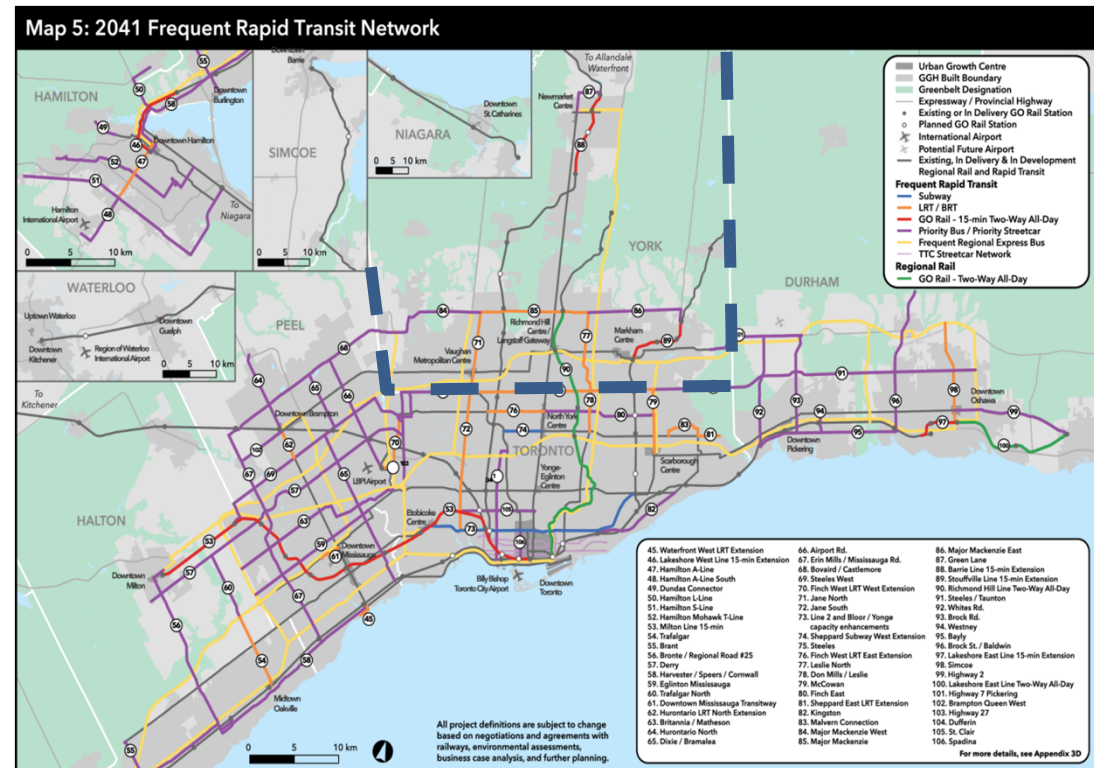


- November 2018 – Minister of Transportation announced that Metrolinx to assess a market driven approach to delivering transit
- Metrolinx is developing a station delivery policy for early 2019
- Implications of the approach for new GO stations is unclear

Metrolinx pausing work on all new GO Rail Stations

METROLINX IS MOVING FORWARD TO PRIORITIZE RAPID TRANSIT PROJECTS

- Proposed Prioritization Framework received from Metrolinx for comment in November 2018
- Region's response that process needs to reflect Provincial commitments to:
 - Yonge Subway Extension
 - Regional Bus Rapid Transit Corridors



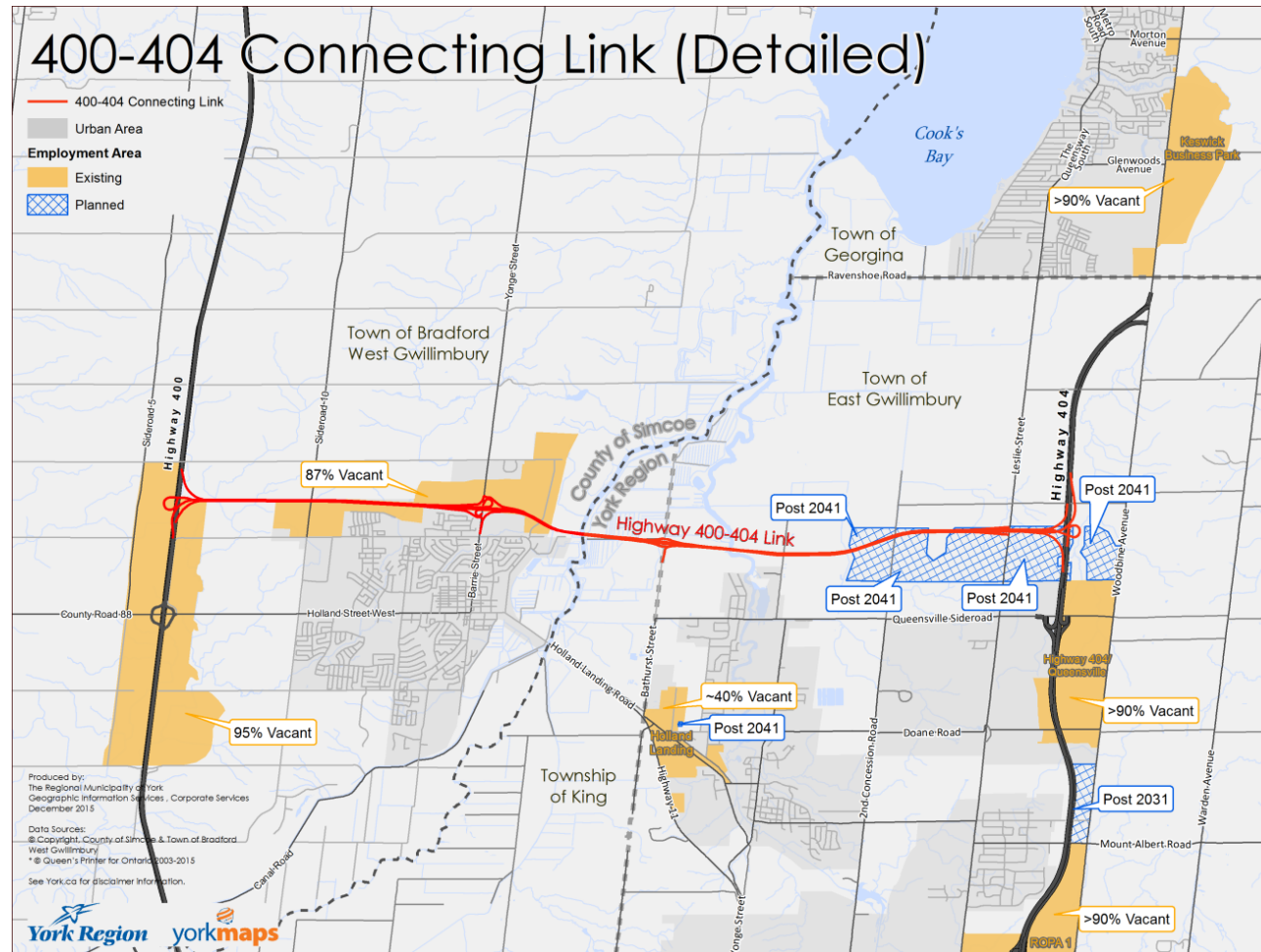
Staff will continue to work with Metrolinx on prioritization process

TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE PROPOSED INFRASTRUCTURE OPTIONS

- Toronto Region Board of Trade is exploring options to improve goods movement in the Toronto-Waterloo Corridor
- Received communication in November 2018 on ten initiatives that are being explored
- Three of the ten initiatives have been the subject of reports to Council:
 - Bradford Bypass (Highway 400-404 Connecting Link)
 - GTA West Corridor
 - New Freight Corridor and Expansion of RER



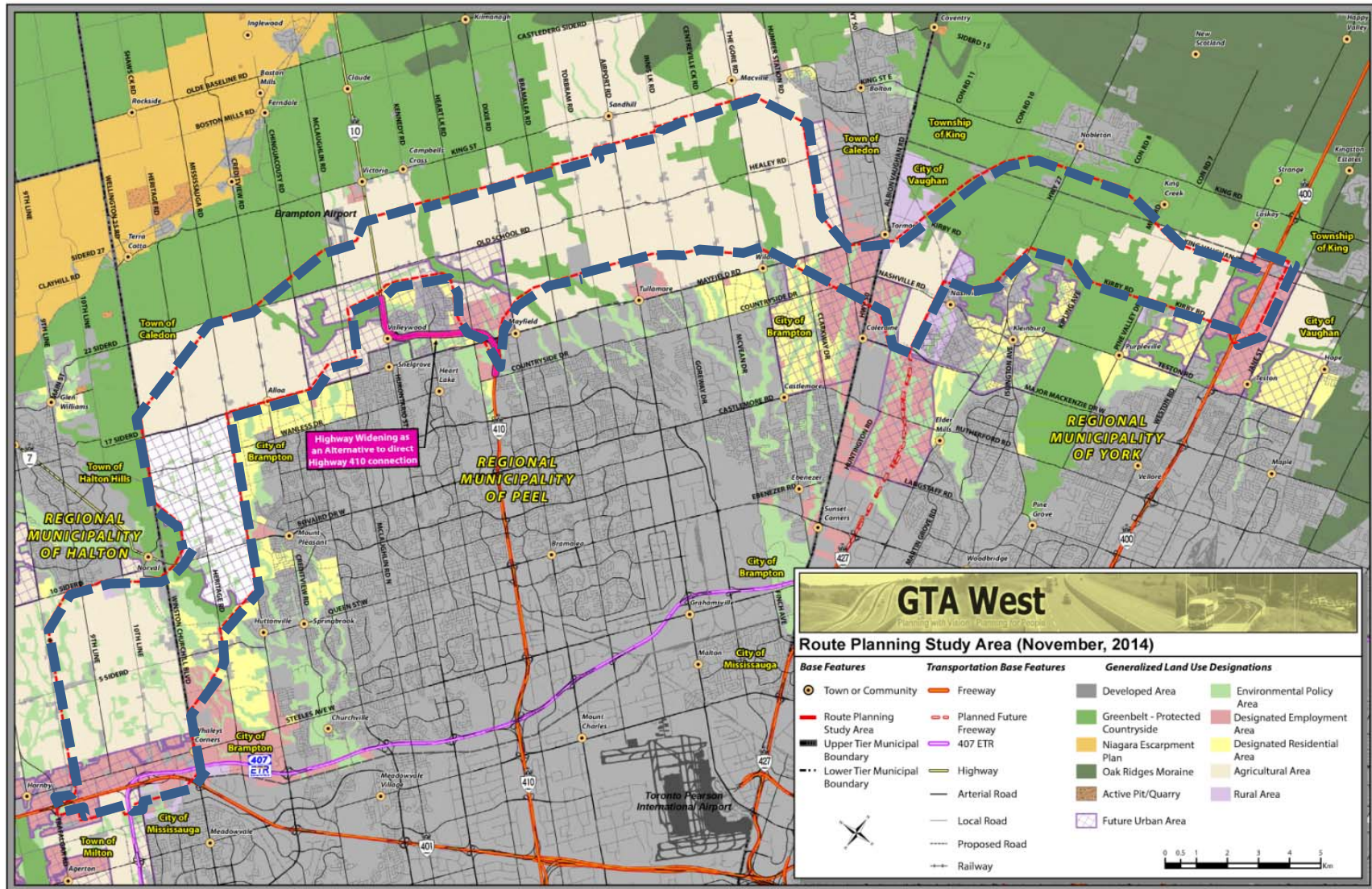
BRADFORD BYPASS (HIGHWAY 400-404 CONNECTING LINK)



Source: http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/government/highway_400-404_connecting_link.htm

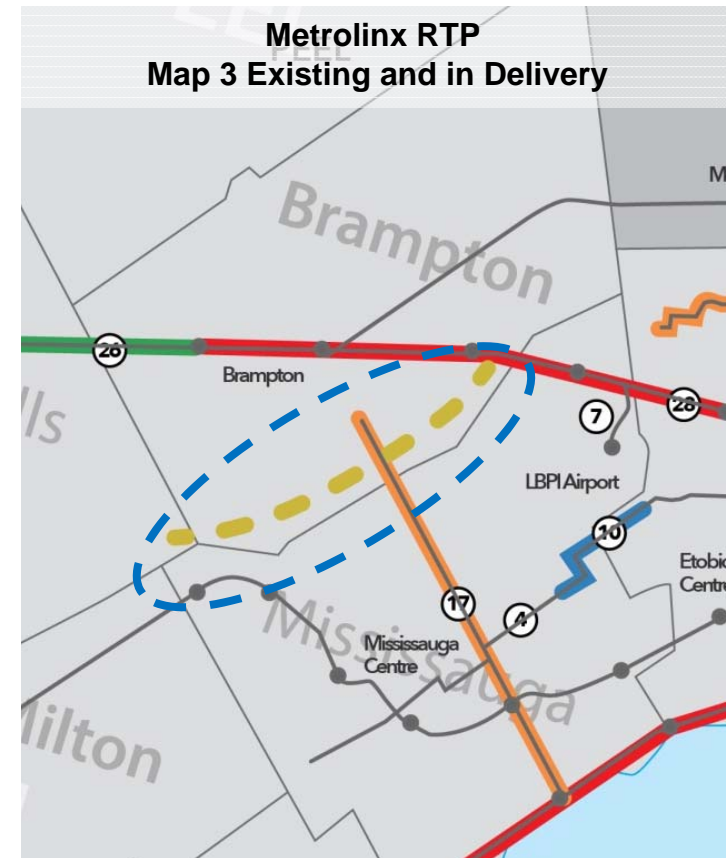
Council resolutions passed by Township of King and Town of East Gwillimbury

GTA WEST CORRIDOR



INCREASES IN VOLUME OF FREIGHT RAIL THROUGH YORK REGION

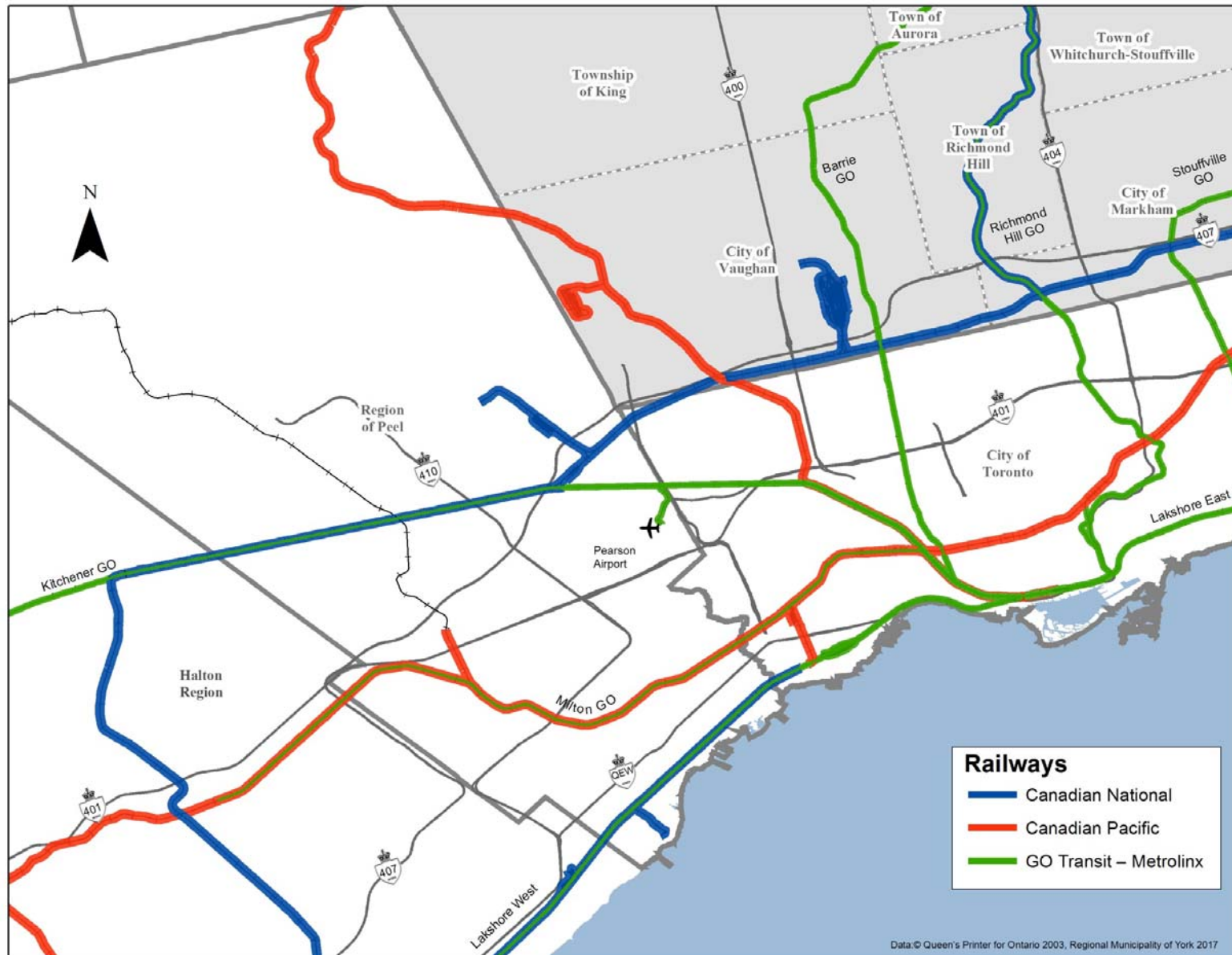
- Recommends a new 15 km freight rail link in Halton Region to improve GO Rail service along the Kitchener rail corridor
- CP rail could be rerouted to improve GO Rail service along the Milton rail corridor
- Could increase freight rail through the Region
- Council resolutions in January and April of 2016 opposing any projects that could increase freight rail through the Region



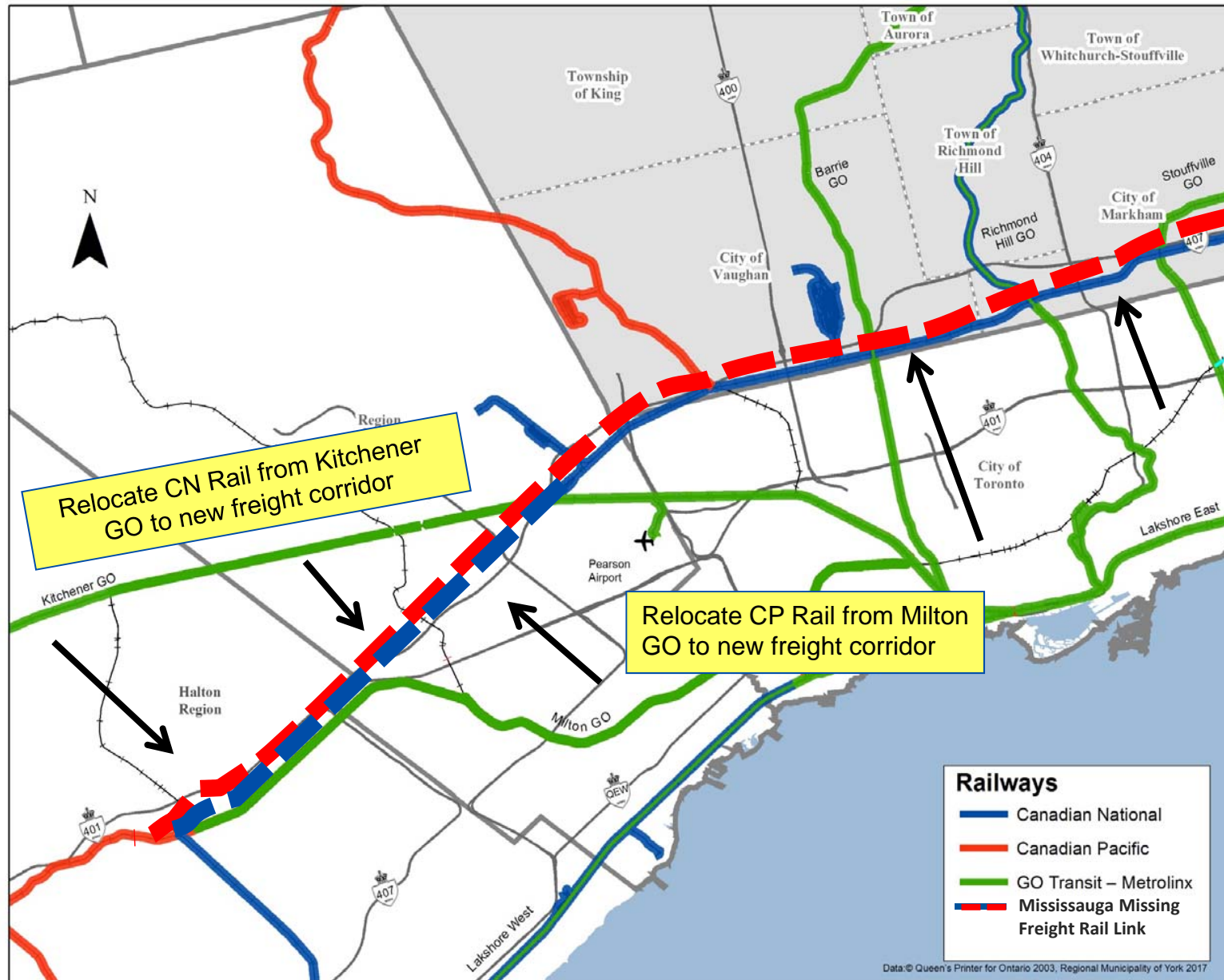
Proposed Freight Rail Missing Link

Council resolutions in 2016 oppose any projects that increase freight rail

EXISTING RAIL OPERATIONS IN WEST GREATER TORONTO AREA



PROPOSED NEW FREIGHT RAIL CORRIDOR



THANK YOU

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