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Investing in our Future

Support for a safe, sustainable and integrated transportation system in Peel

Provincial investments to expand transit will support economic recovery and sustainable growth in Peel

Policy opportunity/solutions

To support shared priorities of strong economic recovery, sustainable growth and enhanced public safety, the Province should:

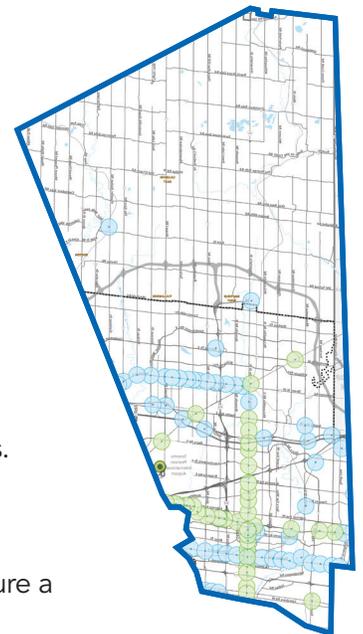
- Work collaboratively with all orders of government to fund transit infrastructure
- Advance road safety initiatives, including a province-wide Vision Zero strategy and regulatory amendments to allow the use of Administrative Monetary Penalty Systems for automated enforcement programs

Background

The combined population of Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon is expected to increase by over 700,000 new residents and available jobs will increase by 335,000 by 2051. In Caledon, the population is forecasted to increase by 220,000 people and 93,000 jobs by 2051. Accordingly, a holistic approach to Peel's transportation needs will be critical to servicing the anticipated significant growth coming to the region.

A strategic location, diverse communities and a thriving economy have made Peel a destination of choice. Long-term economic growth and sustainable service delivery are shared priorities for the Region and the Province but it's critical that this progress is supported by the expansion of an integrated transportation network that enables the efficient movement of people and goods.

Investments already made by our provincial and federal partners in Peel's higher density communities are appreciated, but it is essential that the Province also support critical transit and transportation infrastructure in Peel's rural areas to ensure a connected and sustainable network.



Enhancing the transportation network

As capacity to accommodate expected growth cannot be met simply by adding more road lanes, the Region is targeting a 50 per cent sustainable mode share inclusive of walking, cycling, carpooling, and transit. Provincial investment in transit plays a significant role in the Region's ability to achieve this mode share target, and the Region is pleased by the recent announcement about the business case for the proposed Caledon-Vaughan GO rail service is moving forward. We urge the Province to continue advancing, this and other key transit projects in Peel.



Other priority projects for Peel include:

- A two-way, all-day, 15-minute GO Regional Express Rail for Milton
- Continued implementation of a two-way, all-day, 15-min GO Rail Service on the Kitchener Line
- Eglinton Crosstown West LRT Extension to Toronto Pearson Airport

Improving road safety



VISIONZERO

The Region is currently implementing its Vision Zero Road Safety Strategic Plan, which includes actions and enhancements aimed at creating safe roadways for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers. The Region appreciates similar steps taken by the Province to improve road safety, including the *Moving Ontarians More Safely Act*. However, the Region's Vision Zero strategy would be more effective if it's supported by a provincial strategy.

As such, the Region is urging the Province to work closely with the municipal partners to convene a stakeholder task force to advise on how a province-wide Vision Zero strategy can be developed and implemented to provide consistent guidance to municipalities.

Administrative Monetary Penalties System (AMPS) is an important tool to support capacity-constrained automated enforcement programs that work toward healthy, safe, and connected communities. Current programs, such as Red Light Camera and Automated Speed Enforcement in Peel communities, including rural areas in Caledon, are very limited in scope and unable to expand due to limitations on the capacity of Provincial Offences Courts. The necessary regulatory changes to allow the creation of new AMPS programs will allow Peel to realize the full benefits of these existing and other road safety programs.