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## Abbreviations

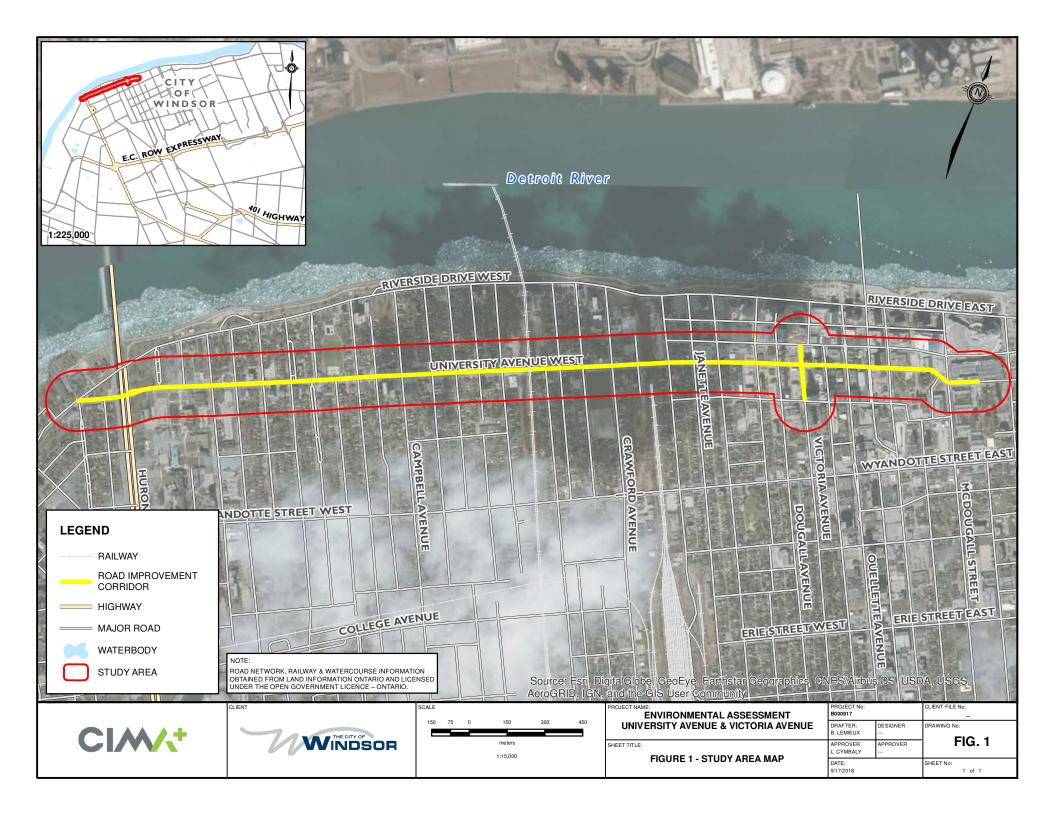
	Area of Natural and Scientific Interact
ANSI	Area of Natural and Scientific Interest
CSP	Corrugated Steel Pipe
DA	Designated Area
DFO	Department of Fisheries and Oceans / Fisheries and Oceans Canada
EA	Environmental Assessment
EA Act	Environmental Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1998, c. E. 18
ELC	Ecological Land Classification (Lee et al., 1998, as amended)
ESA	Endangered Species Act, 2007, S.O. 2007, c. 6
ESCP	Erosion and Sediment Control Plan
ERCA	Essex Region Conservation Authority
ESL	Environmentally Sensitive Landscape
GIS	Geographic Information System
LIO	Land Information Ontario
masl	Metres above sea level
mbgs	Metres below ground surface
MNRF	Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (now MNDMNRF)
MNDMNRF	Ministry of Northern Development Mines Natural Resources and Forestry
MECP	Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
NHIC	Natural Heritage Information Centre
OBBA	Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas
OP	Official Plan
PPS	Provincial Policy Statement, 2014
PSW	Provincially Significant Wetland
ROW	Right-of-way
SAR	Species at Risk
SARA	Species at Risk Act, S.C. 2002, c. 29
SWH	Significant Wildlife Habitat (as defined by MNRF criteria)

## 1. Introduction and Study Area

CIMA Canada Inc. (CIMA+) has been retained by the City of Windsor (the 'City') to undertake a Schedule 'C' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) to review the existing and future transportation needs of the University Avenue corridor, assess alternatives and identify the preferred corridor improvements (the 'Project'). The Project is focused on creating attractive complete street corridors by identifying the preferred alternative to optimize the design of the right-of-way (ROW) including reallocating any additional space identified throughout the various Project assessments from surplus vehicle capacity and/or projected efficiencies or reprioritizations. Specifically, the Project includes evaluation of street options to University Avenue West/East between Huron Church Road and McDougall Street, and Victoria Avenue from Chatham Street West to Park Street West including intersections and approaches (herein referred to as the 'Study Area'). Refer to Figure 1 Study Area Map for details.

A Natural Environment Assessment (NEA) is required to document existing conditions, assess potential impacts to any natural heritage features present within the Study Area and provide recommendations and supporting documentation for the MCEA.

Note: A draft Natural Environment Assessment report was originally produced for this project in 2018 based on assessments completed in 2017. This report updates the original assessment considering an updated review of background materials as well as addresses correspondence with regulators.



## 2. Background Data Review

Available existing natural heritage data relevant to the Study Area was reviewed and included in this assessment. These data sets include:

- Aerial imagery (current and historic)
- Surficial geology mapping (Ontario Geological Survey)
- Data published through wildlife atlases (Ontario Breeding Birds Atlas (OBBA), Ebirds Canada, Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC), Project FeederWatch Canada, Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas (ORAA), Ontario Butterfly Atlas (OBA), Mammals of Ontario)
- Fish and wildlife data records from the Land Information Ontario (LIO) Natural Heritage Areas database
- Natural heritage features identified through LIO
- Environmental feature mapping in the Official Plan of the City of Windsor
- Data sets provided by Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA, the Ministry of Northern Development Mines Natural Resources and Forestry (MNDMNRF), and the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP).

CIMA+ also reviewed relevant and available ecological and physical environment technical studies completed within or directly adjacent to the Study Area. Table 1 summarizes the documents reviewed:

Document Title	Document Type	Date
Tree Inventory and Assessment Drawings (CIMA+)	Technical Drawings and	September, 2018
	Data Tables	
Draft Arborist Report (CIMA+)	Technical Report	September, 2018
Watershed Characterization – Essex Region Source	Technical Report	May, 2011
Protection Area (ERCA)		
Characterization of the Essex Region Watershed –	Technical Report	April, 2008
Interim Report (ERCA)		
Fish Habitat Management Plan for the Essex	Technical Report /	2005
Region. (ERCA, MNRF, DFO)	Planning Document	2003

Pertinent information from the studies listed in Table 1 was included in the assessment.

## 3. Landscape Features and Designations

Available background information was reviewed to evaluate the landscape context for the Study Area and identify natural heritage features that require further site-specific assessment. The findings are summarized in the following sections.

## 3.1 Ecoregion

The Study Area is located within Ecoregion 7E (Lake Erie-Lake Ontario) and is part of the Deciduous Forest Region characterized by diverse vegetation. Approximately 78% of the ecoregion has been converted for agricultural purposes (cropland and pasture), and more than 7% of the remaining lands have been developed for urban settlement and road networks. Of the remaining forest remnants, dense deciduous forest covers 10.3%, sparse deciduous forest covers 1.0%, and mixed deciduous forest covers 0.8% of the ecoregion (Crins et al., 2009).

# 3.2 Soils and Physiography

Ecoregion 7E is underlain by Silurian and Devonian limestone bedrock whereby the topography is generally flat and overlain by deep undulating deposits of ground moraine. Most substrates in the ecoregion are comprised of calcareous mineral material with a minor component of the landscape composed of organic materials, which are glaciolacustrine deposits left over from historical lakes. The predominant substrates in the ecoregion include Gray Brown Luvisols and Gleysols (Crins et al., 2009).

The Essex Region predominantly consists of a relatively flat clay plain except for some sandy areas, primarily in the southern portion of the Region (ERCA, 2011). The Study Area is specifically located in a clay plain known as the Bevelled Till Plain (Ontario Geological Survey Map P.2715, Chapman and Putnam, 1984).

## 3.3 Topography

Local topography of lands within the Study Area is generally flat characterized by gentle slopes in either direction from approximately the centre of the site (Cameron Avenue) moving from 187 metres above sea level (masl) to 184 masl at the eastern Study Area limit (McDougall Street) and a gentle slope from 187 to 181 masl in an easterly direction to the western Study Area limit at Huron Church Road.

Watercourses throughout the City of Windsor have been significantly altered since the time of settlement in the area. Two bridges cross valley depressions in the Study Area. Slopes associated with these areas are vegetated, and historical or existing railway lines occupy the base of the valleys (180 masl), while portions of these greenspaces have been converted into municipal parks since this time; see Section 5.3 and Figures 2 and 3 for details.

## 3.4 Watershed and Watercourses

The Study Area is located within the Essex Region Watershed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA). The Essex Region Watershed is approximately 1,681 square kilometres in size, sharing the eastern boundary with the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority. The Essex Region Watershed consists predominantly of relatively flat clay plain with some sandy areas located primarily in the southern portion of the Region. Three major sub-watersheds cross the region. These major drainage areas outlet to

Lake St. Clair, the Detroit River and Lake Erie, respectively and have been further divided into approximately 28 sub-watersheds comprised of streams and rivers that have been heavily modified through surface and sub-surface drainage to encourage agricultural development (ERCA, 2011). The Study Area falls within the Windsor Area Drainage Subwatershed which covers an area of 46.8km<sup>2</sup> (ERCA, 2011).

CIMA+ reviewed provincial, regional and municipal GIS databases and maps including reviews of Land Information Ontario / NHIC / Topo, Fish ON-Line, ERCA publicly available and requested data, watershed studies, as well as official plan schedules. No watercourses have been identified within the Study Area.

## 3.5 Surrounding Land Cover

The Study Area is located in an urban environment predominantly developed with mixed use developments, with areas dominated by low- and high- density residential developments, commercial, institutional and recreational lands. Undeveloped lands across the Study Area are limited to greenspaces including four municipal parks, and natural lands surrounding a railway corridor. See Figure 2. Existing Land Use Map for details.

# 3.6 Provincially Designated Areas

Reviews of the MNRF natural heritage / resources maps obtained through the LIO database were completed to identify the presence or absence of any provincially Designated Areas (DAs). Provincial DAs include significant natural heritage features covered under the Provincial Policy Statement (2020).

CIMA+ also sent out a formal information request to the MNRF (now MNDMNRF) and MECP on July 15, 2021, prior to the Public Information Centre for the Project, to confirm the presence or absence of provincial DAs in the Study Area and obtain additional information on restricted Species at Risk (SAR) records, fisheries records, or other data on file concerning lands and watercourses within the Study Area (see Appendix A - Records of Correspondence for details). Pertinent information has been incorporated throughout the report.

#### SIGNIFICANT WOODLANDS

General woodland locations have been mapped/identified by the Province in several areas across the Study Area (NHIC/LIO GIS database records; See Figure 2 for location details). However, designation of Significant Woodlands is at the discretion of local planning authorities and are typically identified in planning documents. No Significant Woodlands have been identified in the Study Area, in the city, or in ERCA planning documents; see Section 3.7 for details.



#### AREAS OF NATURAL AND SCIENTIFIC INTEREST (ANSI)

No ANSIs are present within or directly adjacent to the Study Area. The nearest ANSI is the Prairie Remnants (Ojibway Park) Life Science ANSI located greater than 4 km south of the Study Area.

#### SIGNIFICANT WILDLIFE HABITAT (SWH)

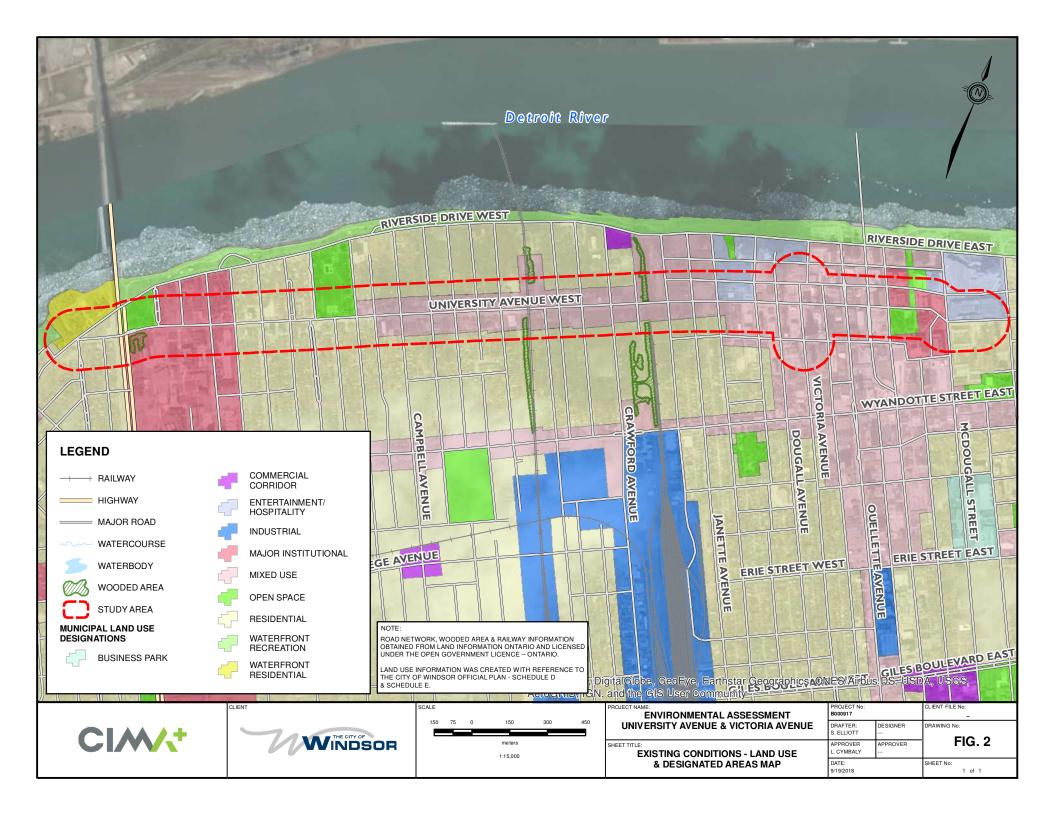
No SWH records were identified through agency correspondence or the background review. See Section 5.4.4 for further discussion regarding SWH based on the results of the field assessment.

#### **PROVINCIALLY SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS (PSW)**

No PSWs are present within the Study Area. The nearest PSW is the South Cameron Wetland Complex located approximately 3 km south of the Study Area.

#### SPECIES AT RISK (SAR)

The MNDMNRF and MECP identified that SAR are known to be present in the general vicinity of the Study Area. Further investigation was included in the assessment.



## 3.7 Locally Designated Areas

Local DAs include additional natural heritage features or areas identified for conservation or recreational value such as Environmentally Sensitive Landscapes or Areas (ESLs, ESAs), significant woodlands, or locally significant wetlands as outlined and described in municipal Official Plans (OPs).

Review of the Essex Region Conservation Authority planning documents and natural heritage management plans, did not identify the presence of any natural heritage features within the Study Area which might meet local or provincial DA criteria of ecological significance.

Reviews of the City of Windsor's OP and associated schedules did not identify the presence of any natural heritage related DAs within the Study Area. Only Community and Regional Parks were present in the Study Area.

## 3.8 Conservation Authority Designated Areas

The Study Area is located within the Essex Region Watershed under the jurisdiction of the ERCA. The Study Area is not located within ERCA regulation boundaries; the regulation limit surrounding the Detroit River ends at approximately Riverside Drive West and no other watercourses are present within or directly adjacent to the Study Area.

No existing natural areas or areas with restoration opportunities were identified by ERCA in the Study Area.

## 4. Legislative and Policy Context

The type of work proposed combined with the results of the background review determines the legislation and policy context for the Natural Environment Assessment. Accordingly, the following sections outline the regulatory framework that applies to the Study Area.

## 4.1 Federal Legislation

#### 4.1.1 Migratory Birds Convention Act

The *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (S.C. 1994, c.22) regulates the protection and conservation of migratory birds as populations and individuals and protects their nests. The Act applies to any areas that provide potential for nesting habitat of migratory birds.

Section 6 of the Migratory Bird Regulations made under the Act states that no person shall disturb, destroy, or take a nest, egg, nest shelter, eider duck shelter or duck box of a migratory bird except under authority of a permit.

• Portions of the Study Area may provide nesting opportunities for migratory birds; therefore, the provisions of this Act apply.

## 4.2 Provincial Legislation

#### 4.2.1 Environmental Assessment Act

The Environmental Assessment Act (R.S.O. 1990, c.E-18) provides a mechanism for review and assessment of potential environmental impacts of public sector projects. The Act applies to any plan, project or activity carried out by, or on behalf of, a public body.

Under the Act, "environment" is comprised of natural, social, cultural, and economic components.

• A Natural Environment Assessment is required to define and assess impact on the natural component of the environment.

#### 4.2.2 Endangered Species Act

The *Endangered Species Act* (S.O. 2007, c.6) prohibits any person from killing or damaging the habitat of species that are listed on the Species at Risk (SAR) in Ontario list. Under O. Reg. 242/08 of the Act, there are a number of exemptions related to particular species and activities. If a proposed undertaking is covered under one of the exemptions, a streamlined notification process applies. If none of the exemptions apply, a permit under section 17(1) of the Act is required.

• The MNDMNRF and MECP have identified potential for SAR in the Study Area; therefore, the provisions of this Act apply.

It should be noted that as of April 1st, 2019, the responsibility for SAR under the ESA was transferred from the MNRF to MECP.

#### 4.2.3 Conservation Authorities Act

The *Conservation Authorities Act* (R.S.O. 1990, c. C.27) was enacted to provide for the organization and delivery of programs and services that further the conservation, restoration, development, and management of natural resources in watersheds in Ontario. Under Section 21 of the Act, Conservation Authorities have the power to study and investigate the watersheds of their jurisdictions and to determine programs whereby the natural resources of the watershed may be conserved, restored, developed, and managed.

• The Study Area is within the jurisdiction of the Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA); therefore, Section 21 of the Act applies.

The Act also states that Conservation Authorities have the power to develop watershed management plans, work with private landowners for conservation projects, implement flood control measures, own, and operate Conservation Areas, and create regulations pertaining to water bodies and flooding.



• No portion of the Study Area is located within the ERCA regulation boundaries; therefore, the provisions set out by *Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 158/06: Essex Region Conservation Authority Regulation of Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses*, do not apply to the Project.

#### 4.2.4 Provincial Policy Statement

The Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) 2014 was issued under Section 3 of the *Planning Act* (R.S.O. 1990, as amended May 1, 2020). The PPS is applicable province-wide to all planning decisions.

The following policies are relevant to the Study Area:

2.1.7 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted in habitat of endangered species and threatened species except in accordance with provincial and federal requirements

2.1.8 Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to natural heritage features unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on the ecological functions

The Ontario Natural Heritage Reference Manual for the Provincial Policy Statement defines adjacent lands as:

- 120 m from provincially significant wetlands
- 50 m from significant woodlands, significant valley lands, significant wildlife habitat, significant portions of habitat for threatened or endangered species, significant ANSIs
- 30 m from fish habitat
- The results of the background review did not identify the presence of any previously recognized provincial DAs within the Study Area.
- A Natural Environment Assessment is required to assess the presence and potential impact to any features within the Study Area, which are covered under the PPS but have not been previously identified (e.g. significant wildlife habitat, habitats of endangered or threatened species, etc.).

## 5. Site Specific Assessment

## 5.1 Field Investigations

CIMA+ conducted field investigations on July 5, and July 6, 2018 to evaluate existing ecological conditions within the Study Area. The field program included the following surveys:

- Full vascular plant inventories
- Existing habitat assessments, including ecological community characterization completed in general accordance with MNRF Ecological Land Classification (ELC) for Southern Ontario standard procedures and protocols
- Breeding bird survey in general accordance with Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas (OBBA) standard procedures and protocols
- Incidental wildlife and wildlife habitat observations (auditory, visual, tracks, scat, burrows, nests, etc.) throughout the Study Area
- Technical evaluation of ecological features within the Study Area which may be impacted by the Project

A photographic record of the field investigations is found in Appendix B.

# 5.2 Watercourses, Surface Drainage Features and Aquatic Habitat

The results of the background review did not identify the presence of watercourses, or other surficial drainage features in the Study Area.

The results of the field investigations confirmed that drainage across the Study Area is directed to subsurface utility structures via catch-basins; no roadside ditches or watercourses were observed in the Study Area. No pools of standing water, evidence of high water table, wetlands or other biotic or abiotic features indicating permanent or intermittent aquatic or wetland habitat, was observed in the Study Area at the time of the site investigations.

## 5.3 Vegetation

Lands within the Study Area were assessed to determine the presence or absence of any vegetation species of conservation concern and evaluate habitat conditions. For the purposes of this study, greenspace is defined as any area where vegetation (whether natural or anthropogenically developed) is established on the landscape.

Greenspace throughout the Study Area was observed to include the following features:

1. Ornamental trees, manicured lawn, and cultural landscaping features (e.g. garden beds, shrub hedgerows or otherwise streetscaping features) are present within the University Avenue East/West and Victoria Avenue right-of-way (ROW).

- Ornamental trees, manicured lawn, and cultural landscaping features associated with properties directly adjacent to the ROW. These built environments include urban developments on public and private lands associated with residential, commercial, institutional, and recreational developments, as outlined on Figure 2. Existing Land Use Map.
- 3. Four municipally managed parks span the Study Area: (1) Assumption Park; (2) Barron Memorial Skateboard Park; (3) Gateway Public Park, and; (4) Senator David A. Croll Park. These parks include cultural landscaping features and areas of actively managed Kentucky Blue Grass (*Poa pratensis*) groundcover, as well as un-managed naturalized components. See Table 2. Vegetation Community Classes and Figure 3. Ecological Land Classification Map for details.
- 4. Undeveloped deciduous forested lands located between Salter Avenue and Caron Avenue, see Table 2. Vegetation Community Classes and Figure 3. Ecological Land Classification Map for details.

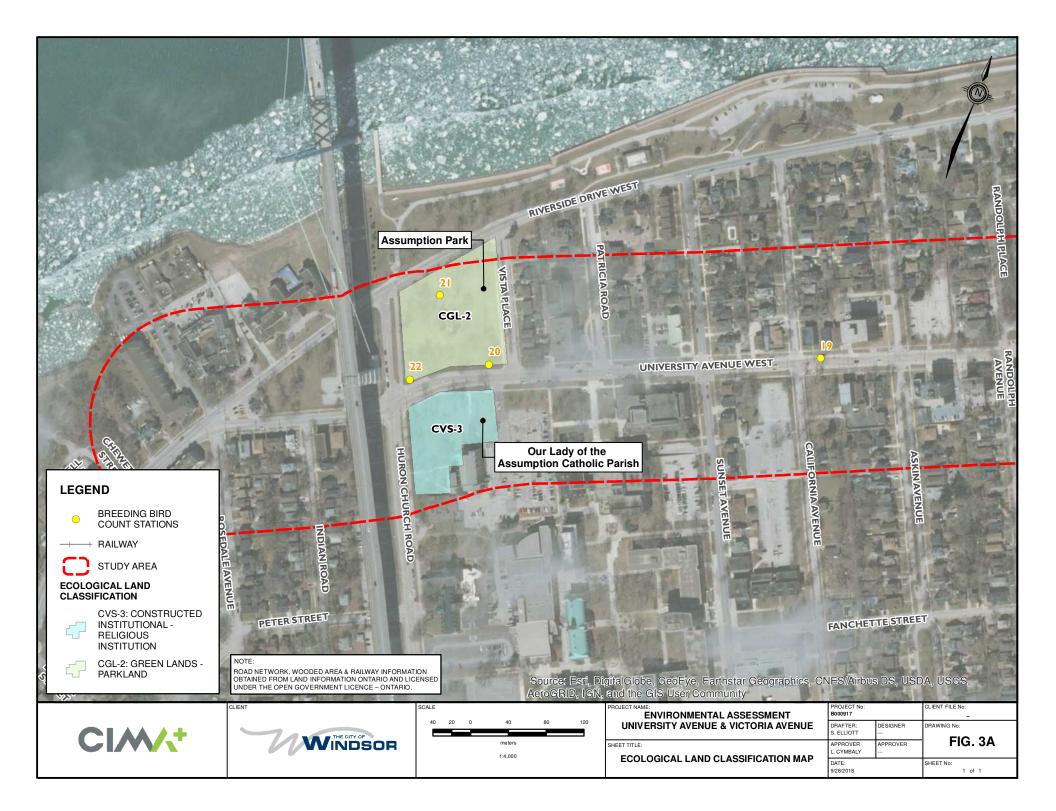
The assessment included detailed biological inventories and vegetation community characterization. An Arborist Report prepared by CIMA+ (September 2018) under separate cover details tree and landscaping vegetation species, locations, and associated condition assessments for trees within and overhanging into the road ROWs. See Appendix C Supporting Documents for full species list, tree numbers, and associated location drawings.

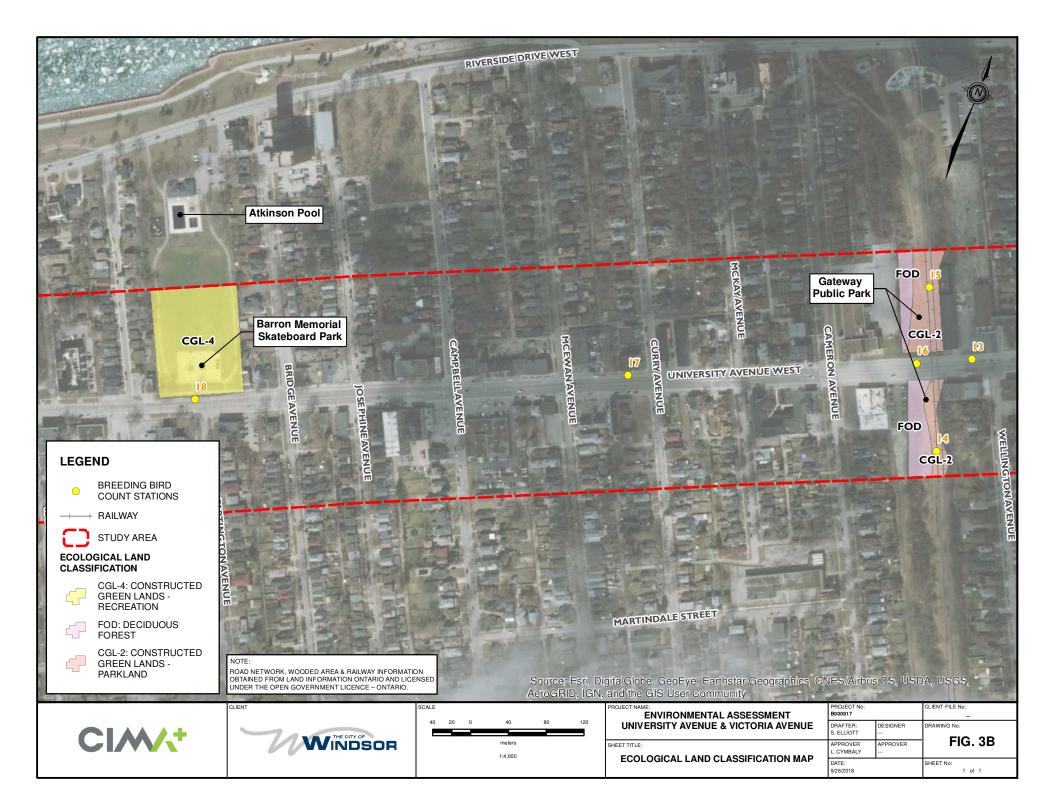
Greenspaces outside of the ROW were classified in general accordance with the Ontario Ecological Land Classification system standard procedures and protocols (Lee et al., 1998, as amended). Seven (7) ecological community classes were identified across the Study Area. A summary of community class findings is outlined in Table 2. Vegetation Community Classes. The locations of the various vegetation communities present within the Study Area are outlined in Figure 3. Ecological Land Classification Map. A full vascular plant list, including species' provincial rarity rankings is presented in Table 3. Vascular Plant Inventory.

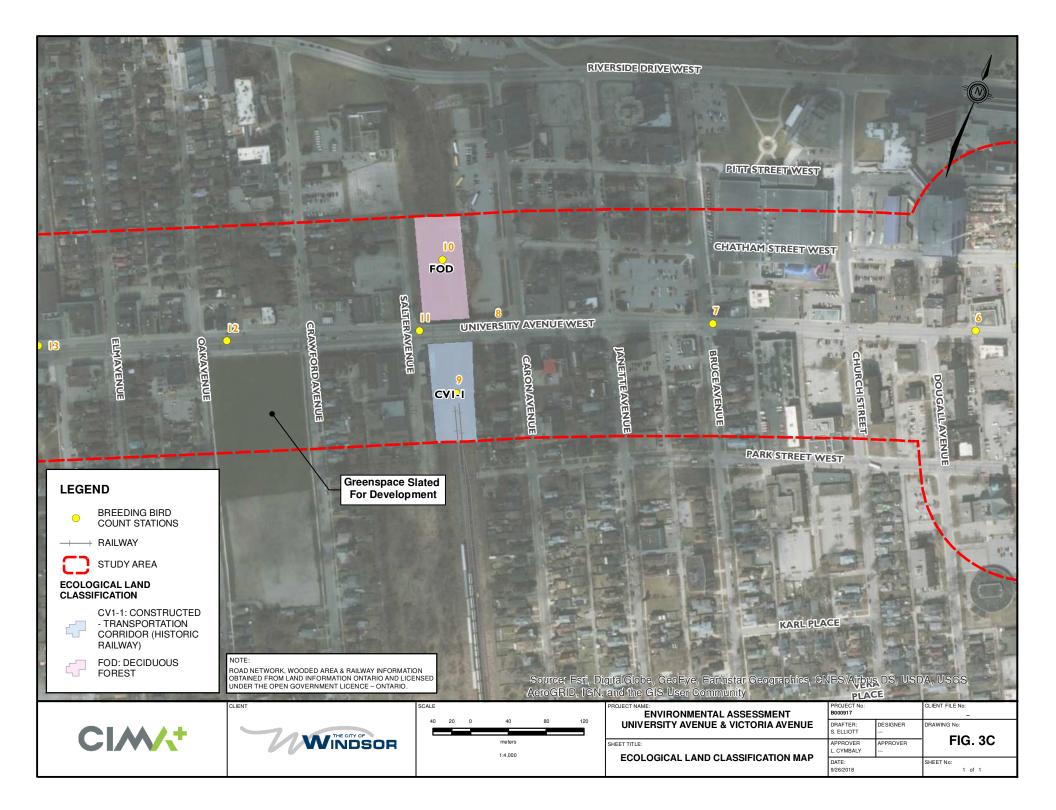
#### Table 2. Vegetation Community Classes

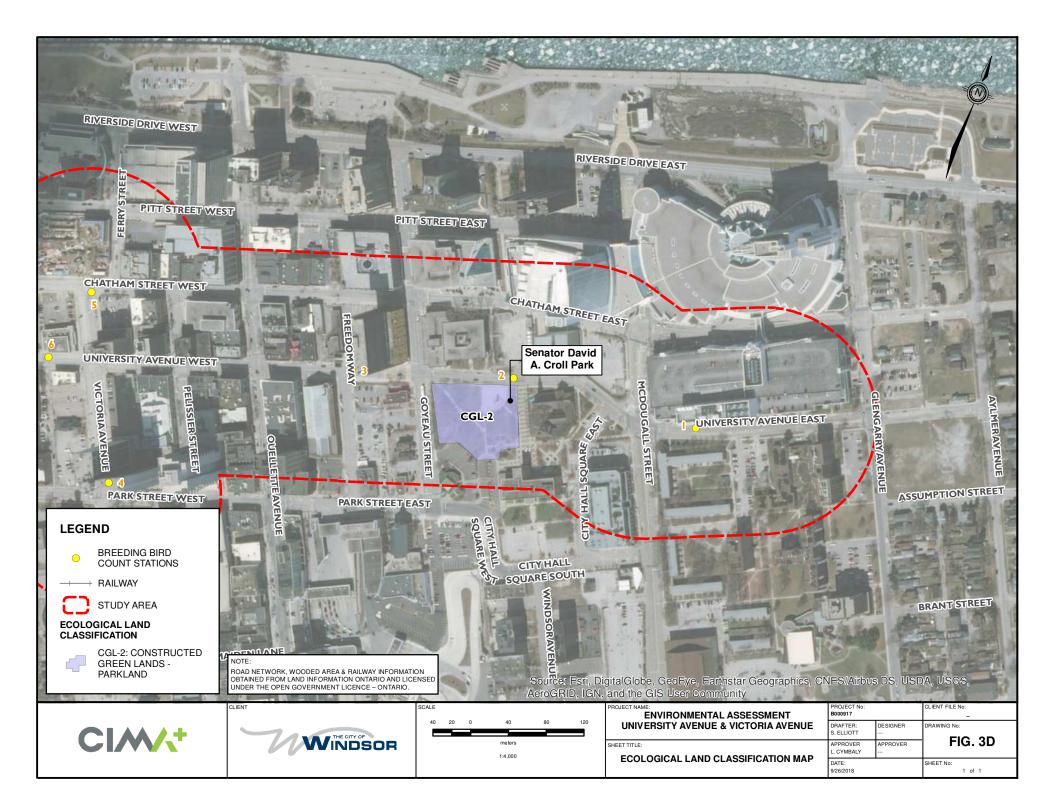
ELC Code	ELC Ecosite Description	Dominant Species	Notes
CGL-2	Constructed Green Lands – Parkland	Species across 3 actively managed parkland areas are dominated by tree species which have either been historically, or recently planted. There is no subcanopy or naturalized groundcover associated with lands which have been delineated under the CGL-2 class. The ground has been established with actively managed Kentucky Blue Grass. Tree species in the CGL-2 classified areas include, but are not limited to: Horse Chestnut, Sugar Maple, Austrian Pine, White Spruce, Colorado Spruce, Norway Maple, Freeman's Maple, Little Leaf Linden, Tulip Tree, Red Oak, Catalpa, Honey Locust, Crabapple, Callery Pear, Hackberry, and Schubert Cherry.	There are four municipal public parks present across the Study Area. Given the dominance of continuous anthropogenic land management practices and history of green infrastructure development (planted/landscaped ornamental species), the CGL-2 ecological community class applies to (1) Assumption Park, (2) Senator David A. Croll Park, and; (3) portions of Gateway Public Park (central portion surrounding trail system and international gardens area to the north, near Riverside Drive West).
CVS-3	Constructed Institutional – Religious Institution	Tree species across this cultural feature include, but are not limited to: London Planetree, Austrian Pine, Colorado Spruce, Sugar Maple, Freeman's Maple, and Black Walnut. There is no subcanopy or naturalized groundcover associated with lands which have been delineated under the CVS-3 class. The ground has been established with actively managed Kentucky Blue Grass (lawn).	This area has been mapped by the province as Woodlands (LIO database). Canopy cover across portions of these lands (owned by a local catholic church) are established with >75% deciduous tree species (FOD), however, these lands would not classify as a natural forest ecosystem – it is a cultural feature, that is actively managed by a religious institution.
CGL-4	Constructed Green Lands - Recreational	There is no canopy, subcanopy or naturalized groundcover associated with lands which have been delineated under the CGL-4 class. The ground has been established with actively managed Kentucky Blue Grass (lawn – sports field).	These lands are recreational land use, including a skateboard park to the south, a soccer field in the centre and a community center with pool facility located at the north end of the property.

ELC Code	ELC Ecosite Description	Dominant Species	Notes
FOD	Deciduous Forest	Canopy species across these features include, but are not limited to: Tree of Heaven, Catalpa, White Poplar, Manitoba Maple, Green Ash, Slippery Elm, Swamp White Oak, Balsam Poplar, White Elm, Norway Maple, White Ash, Red Oak, Hackberry, Sugar Maple, Black Walnut. Subcanopy species included Crabapple, Prickly Rose, Manitoba Maple saplings, occasional White Mulberry. Groundcover was established with Orchard Grass, asters and goldenrods, Field Bindweed, English Plantain, Common Dandelion, Bird's Foot Trefoil, Wild Carrot, Wild Red Raspberry, Common Burdock, Chicory, Yarrow, Virginia Creeper, Riverbank Grape, Canada Thistle, Smooth Brome and various Poa sp.	Naturalized portions of Gateway Public Park, and undeveloped lands located between Salter Avenue and Caron Avenue (previous railway line extension) have been classed as FOD. ELC was not established down to vegetation type because tree canopy composition was diverse, and dominance varied with location within the ecosite (clusters). A gravel pathway was noted running the length of this ecosite in the approximate centre of the greenspace.
CVI-1	Constructed - Transportation	Undeveloped lands adjacent to the existing and historical railway line path in this area, was established with similar species, as noted in the FOD class (as listed above), where canopy cover was established 5-10 meters away from the path and existing transportation infrastructure. While similar species were noted in this ecosite, a shift in dominance was noted in disturbance tolerant and invasive exotic species including observations of larger proportions of Norway Maple, Tree of Heaven and Manitoba Maple with associates of Catalpa and Black Walnut.	University Avenue East/West and Victoria Avenue are classified as CVI-1 within the Study Area. A gravel pathway was noted running underneath the bridge and up to the existing railway line tracks and associated infrastructure. Several trains were observed to be parked in this area at the time of the site investigations.
CVR-2	High Density Residential	Majority of the Study Area is dominated by residential properties. These areas include single family homes, attached homes, and apartment buildings. Planted ornamental trees and shrubs were observed in these areas as well as manicured lawns planted with Kentucky Blue Grass	n/a
CVC-1	Business Sector	Areas east of Wellington Avenue are dominated by commercial businesses comprised of restaurants, convenience stores, gas stations, retail shops, and banks.	n/a









NCTIONAL GROUP	FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	E STATUS	S RANK	N RANK	G RANK	PROVINCIAL STATUS	COSEWIC STATUS	FEDER STATU
	Aceraceae	Acer negundo	Manitoba Maple	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Aceraceae	Acer palmatum	Japanese Maple	-	-	-	-	-	STATUS	
	Aceraceae	Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Aceraceae	Acer rubrum	Red Maple		S5	N5	G5		-	-
	Aceraceae	Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Aceraceae	Acer saccharum	Sugar Maple	-	S5	N5	G5	-		
	Aceraceae	Acer x freemanii	(Acer rubrum X Acer saccharinum)	-	SNA S5	NNA	GNA	-	-	-
Trees/Shrubs	Betulaceae	Betula papyrifera	Paper Birch Northern Catalpa	SE1	S5 SNA	N5 NNA	G5 G4?	-		-
	Bignoniaceae	Catalpa speciosa				NNA	GNR		-	-
	Celastraceae	Euonymus alatus	Winged Euonymus	SE2	SNA			-		-
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus virginiana	Eastern Red Cedar	-	S5	N5	G5	-		-
	Cupressaceae	Thuja occidentalis	Eastern White Cedar	-	S5	N5	G5	-		-
	Fabaceae	Cercis canadensis	Eastern Redbud	-	SX	NX	G5	-	-	-
	Fabaceae	Gleditsia triacanthos	Honey-locust	-	S2?	N2	G5	-	-	-
	Fabaceae	Gymnocladus dioicus	Kentucky Coffee-tree	-	S2	N2	G5	THR		TH
	Fagaceae	Fagus sylvatica	European Beech	-	-	-	-	-		-
	Fagaceae	Quercus bicolor	Swamp White Oak	-	S4	N4	G5	-		-
	Fagaceae	Quercus robur	English Oak	SE1	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Fagaceae	Quercus rubra	Northern Red Oak	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Hippocastanaceae	Aesculus hippocastanum	Horse Chestnut	SE2	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Juglandaceae	Juglans nigra	Black Walnut	-	S4?	N4	G5	-	-	-
	Magnoliaceae	Liriodendron tulipifera	Tulip Tree	-	S4	N4	G5	-	-	-
	Magnoliaceae	Magnolia sp.	Magnolia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Moraceae	Morus alba	White Mulberry	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
Troos/Shrubs	Oleaceae	Fraxinus americana	White Ash	-	S4	N5	G5	-	-	-
11662/91110D2	Oleaceae	Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green Ash	-	S4	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Oleaceae	Syringa reticulata	Japanese Tree Lilac	SE1	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Oleaceae	Syringa vulgaris	Common Lilac	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Pinaceae	Abies concolor	White Fir	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Pinaceae	Picea glauca	White Spruce		S5	N5	G5			
	Pinaceae	Picea pungens	Colorado Spruce	-				-		
	Pinaceae	Pinus nigra	Black Pine/Austrian Pine	SE3	SNA	NNA	GNR			
	Plantaginaceae	Plantago lanceolata	English Plantain	SE5	SNA	NNA	G5		-	
	Platanaceae	Platanus x acerifolia	London Planetree	363	SINA	IN INC.	00	-	-	
	Rosaceae	Amelanchier laevis			- S5	N5	G5	-	-	
	Rosaceae	Malus pumila	Smooth Serviceberry Common Apple	- SE4	SNA	NNA	G5	-	-	-
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	Rosaceae	Malus sp.	Crabapple	-	-	-	-	-		-
	Rosaceae	Prunus virginiana 'Schubert'	Shubert Cherry	-		-	-	-		-
	Rosaceae	Pyrus calleryana	Callery Pear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Rosaceae	Rosa acicularis	Prickly Rose	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Rosaceae	Rubus idaeus ssp. idaeus	Common Red Raspberry	SE1	SNA	NNR	G5T5	-	-	-
	Rosaceae	Spiraea sp.	Spirea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Salicaceae	Populus alba	White Poplar	SE5	SNA	NNA	G5	-	-	-
	Salicaceae	Populus deltoides	Eastern Cottonwood	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Simaroubaceae	Ailanthus altissima	Tree-of-heaven	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Taxaceae	Taxus sp.	Yew	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Tiliaceae	Tilia cordata	Little-leaf Linden	SE1	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Ulmaceae	Celtis occidentalis	Common Hackberry	-	S4	N4	G5	-	-	-
	Ulmaceae	Ulmus americana	American Elm	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Ulmaceae	Ulmus rubra	Slippery Elm	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Vitaceae	Parthenocissus quinquefolia	Virginia Creeper	-	S4?	N4N5	G5	-	-	-
Vines	Vitaceae	Vitis riparia	Riverbank Grape		S5	N5	G5			
	Poaceae	Dactylis glomerata	Orchard Grass	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-		
	Poaceae	Digitaria ischaemum	Smooth Crabgrass	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR			
Graminoides	Poaceae	Phleum pratense	Common Timothy	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	
0.0.111101063	Poaceae	Phragmites australis ssp. australis	European Reed	SE5	SNA	NNA	G5T5			-
	Poaceae	Poa pratensis	Kentucky Bluegrass	JLJ	SINA S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
				- SE5		NNA	GNR	-	-	
	Apiaceae Asteraceae	Daucus carota Achillea millefolium	Wild Carrot Common Yarrow	SES	SNA SNA	NNA N5	GNR G5			-
								-	-	-
	Asteraceae	Arctium minus	Common Burdock	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Asteraceae	Aster sp.	Aster	- SE5	- SNA	- NNA	-	-	-	-
	Asteraceae	Cichorium intybus	Chicory	020	0101		GNR	-	-	-
	Asteraceae	Cirsium arvense	Canada Thistle	SE5	SNA	NNA	G5	-	-	-
	Asteraceae	Senecio vulgaris	Common Ragwort	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-		-
	Asteraceae	Solidago canadensis	Canada Goldenrod	-	S5	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Asteraceae	Solidago canadensis var. canadensis	Canada Goldenrod	-	S5	N5	G5T5	-	-	
Forbs	Asteraceae	Solidago sp.	Goldenrod	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Asteraceae	Taraxacum officinale	Common Dandelion	SE5	SNA	N5	G5	-	-	-
	Brassicaceae	Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Brassicaceae	Barbarea vulgaris	Bitter Wintercress	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-		-
	Convolvulaceae	Convolvulus arvensis	Field Bindweed	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Fabaceae	Lotus corniculatus	Garden Bird's-foot Trefoil	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	
	Fabaceae	Medicago lupulina	Black Medic	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-	-	-
	Fabaceae	Trifolium pratense	Red Clover	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR			
	Fabaceae	Trifolium repens	White Clover	SE5	SNA	NNA	GNR	-		
			wille Clovel	3ED	SINA	ININA	GNR	-	-	-

# **TABLE LEGEND**

**PROVINCIAL STATUS:** Species at Risk Ontario - current status as defined by the Endangered Species Act (ESA, S.O. 2007) **COSEWIC STATUS:** Current status defined by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada **FEDERAL STATUS:** Current status as defined by the Species at Risk Act (R.S.O., 2002)

E STATUS: EXOTIC STATUS RANK (ON)ES RANK: SUBNATIONAL STATUS RANKTG RANK: GLOBAL STATUS RANKSN RANK: NATIONAL STATUS RANKS

END = Endangered THR = Threatened SC = Special Concern SE = Status Exotic (ON) NAR = Not at Risk

## **Ranking System**

SX, NX, or GX/TX: Presumed Extinct SH, NH, or GH/TH: Possibly Extinct S1, N1 or G1/T1: Critically Imperiled S2, N2, or G2/T2: Imperiled S3, N3, or G3/T3: Vulnerable S4, N4 or G4/T4: Apparently Secure S5, N5, or G5/T5: Secure SU, NU or GU/TU: Unrankable SNR, NNR, or GNR/TNR: Unranked S#S#, N#N#, or G#G#: Range Rank

### **N RANK and G RANK Definitions**

**Presumed Extirpated:** Species or community is believed to be extirpated from the nation or state/province. Not located despite intensive searches of historical sites and other appropriate habitat, and virtually no likelihood that it will be rediscovered.

**Possibly Extirpated** (Historical): Species or community occurred historically in the nation or state/province, and there is some possibility that it may be rediscovered. Its presence may not have been verified in the past 20-40 years. A species or community could become NH or SH without such a 20-40 year delay if the only known occurrences in a nation or state/province were destroyed or if it had been extensively and unsuccessfully looked for. The NH or SH rank is reserved for species or communities for which some effort has been made to relocate occurrences, rather than simply using this status for all elements not known from verified extant occurrences.

**Critically Imperiled:** Critically imperiled in the nation or state/province because of extreme rarity (often 5 or fewer occurrences) or because of some factor(s) such as very steep declines making it especially vulnerable to extirpation from the state/province.

**Imperiled:** Imperiled in the nation or state/province because of rarity due to very restricted range, very few populations (often 20 or fewer), steep declines, or other factors making it very vulnerable to extirpation from the nation or state/province.

**Vulnerable:** Vulnerable in the nation or state/province due to a restricted range, relatively few populations (often 80 or fewer), recent and widespread declines, or other factors making it vulnerable to extirpation.

Apparently Secure: Uncommon but not rare; some cause for long-term concern due to declines or other factors.

Secure: Common, widespread, and abundant in the nation or state/province.

Unranked: Nation or state/province conservation status not yet assessed.

Unrankable: Currently unrankable due to lack of information or due to substantially conflicting information about status or trends.

**Range Rank:** A numeric range rank (e.g., S2S3) is used to indicate any range of uncertainty about the status of the species or community. Ranges cannot skip more than one rank (e.g., SU is used rather than S1S4).

## 5.4 Wildlife

#### 5.4.1 Mammals

The Study Area falls within Ecoregion 7E (Lake Simcoe-Rideau). Representative mammalian fauna in this region includes White-tailed Deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*), Northern Raccoon (*Procyon lotor*), Striped Skunk (*Mephitis mephitis*), Virginia Opossum (*Didelphis virginiana*), and Woodchuck (*Marmota monax*).

Eastern Cottontail (*Sylvilagus floridanus*), and Grey Squirrel (*Sciurus carolinensis*) were observed within the Study Area.

No other mammals were observed at the time of the site investigations.

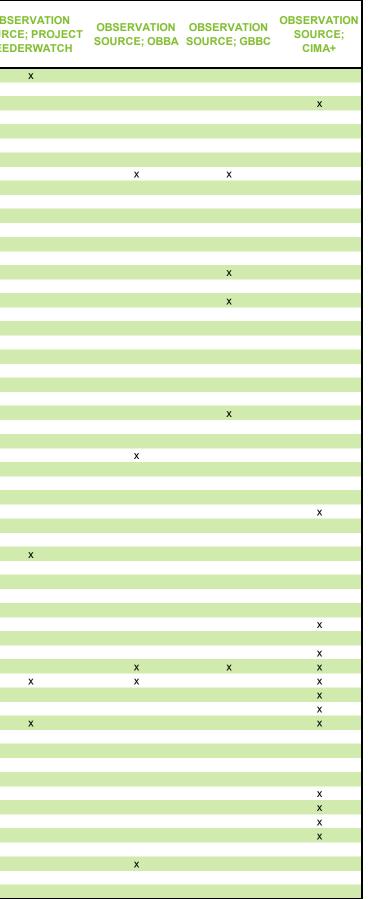
#### 5.4.2 Birds

A review of available bird observation data from Ebirds Canada, Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas (OBBA), Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC), and Project FeederWatch Canada databases was completed as part of the assessment. Records for 138 species have been observed within 10 km of the Study Area, see Table 4. Bird Observation List for details. MNDMNRF and MECP correspondence indicated records for two provincially threatened bird species; Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*) and Chimney Swift (*Chaetura pelagica*) within the area and noted that the likelihood for these species or their habitat to occur within the proposed Project footprint was low, see Appendix A – Records of Correspondence for details. A summary on SAR within the Study Area is discussed in Section 5.4.5 below.

CIMA+ observed 32 bird species throughout the duration of the field investigations which included point counts taken from the ROW across the length of the Study Area with additional stations located within the various greenspaces, as outlined in Figure 2. Existing Land Use Map and Figure 3. Ecological Land Classification Map. Point counts were taken in the first week of July 2018 in the morning hours. Visual and auditory observations outside of the point count stations were also noted, while walking the length the Study Area. The results of survey are included in Table 4. Bird Observation List. Furthermore, all trees which may be impacted by the Project were inspected for active and inactive nesting structures.

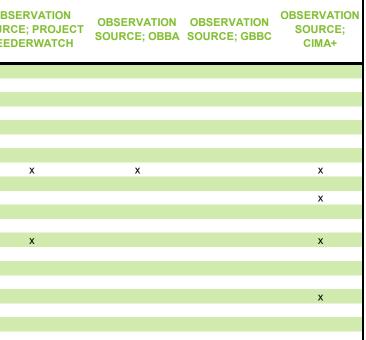
One swallow species was observed flying over the Study Area at the time of breeding bird survey. Due to distance, the exact species could not be distinguished. No avifauna nests were observed within the trees or lawn greenspaces established within or directly adjacent to the ROW.

FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	S RANK	G RANK	N RANK	EXOTIC STATUS	PROVINCIAL STATUS	COSEWIC STATUS	FEDERAL STATUS	OBSERVATION SOURCE; EBIRDS	OBSE SOURCI FEEDI
Accipitridae	Accipiter cooperii	Cooper's Hawk	S4	G5	N5B,N4N	-	NAR	NAR	-	Х	
Accipitridae	Accipiter striatus	Sharp-shinned Hawk	S5	G5	N5B,N5N	-	NAR	NAR	-	х	
Accipitridae	Buteo jamaicensis	Red-tailed Hawk	S5	G5	N5B	-	NAR	NAR	-	х	
Accipitridae	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Bald Eagle	S2N,S4B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	SC	NAR	-	х	
Alaudidae	Eremophila alpestris	Horned Lark	S5B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	х	
Anatidae	Aix sponsa	Wood Duck	S5	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Anas crecca	Green-winged Teal	S4	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	х	
Anatidae	Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard	S5	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Anas rubripes	American Black Duck	S4	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Aythya affinis	Lesser Scaup	S4	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	х	
Anatidae	Aythya americana	Redhead	S2B,S4N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Aythya collaris	Ring-necked Duck	S5	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Aythya marila	Greater Scaup	S4	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Aythya valisineria	Canvasback	S1B,S4N	G5	N5B,N4N	-	-	-	-	X	
Anatidae	Branta canadensis	Canada Goose	S5	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Bucephala albeola	Bufflehead	S4	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Bucephala clangula	Common Goldeneye	S5	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-		
Anatidae	Clangula hyemalis	Long-tailed Duck	S3B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Cygnus columbianus	Tundra Swan	S4	G5	N5B,N3N4N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Anatidae	Cygnus olor	Mute Swan	SNA	G5	NNA	SE	-	-	-	X	
Anatidae	Lophodytes cucullatus	Hooded Merganser	S5B,S5N	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	X	
Anatidae	Melanitta americana	Black Scoter	S4B,S4N	G5	N5B,N4N	-	-	-	-	X	
Anatidae	Melanitta fusca	White-winged Scoter	S4B,S4N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	X	
Anatidae	Melanitta perspicillata	Surf Scoter	S4B,S4N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	X	
Anatidae Anatidae	Mergus merganser	Common Merganser	S5B,S5N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	X	
Anatidae	Mergus serrator	Red-breasted Merganser	S4B,S5N	G5 G5	N5B,N5N N5B	-	-	-	-	X	
Apodidae	Oxyura jamaicensis Chaetura pelagica	Ruddy Duck Chimney Swift	S4B,S4N S4B,S4N	G4G5	N3B N4B	-	- THR	- THR	- THR	X	
Ardeidae	Ardea alba	Great Egret	S2B	G4G5 G5	N4B N3B	-	IIIK	-	-	X	
Ardeidae	Ardea herodias	Great Blue Heron	52B S4	G5 G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	X	
Ardeidae	Nycticorax nycticorax	Black-crowned Night-heron	S3B,S3N	G5	N4N5B	-	-	-	-	x x	
Bombycillidae	Bombycilla cedrorum	Cedar Waxwing	S5B	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	X	
Calcariidae	Calcarius Iapponicus	Lapland Longspur	S3B S3B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	x	
Caprimulgidae	Chordeiles minor	Common Nighthawk	S4B	G5	N4B	-	SC	THR	THR	X	
Cardinalidae	Cardinalis cardinalis	Northern Cardinal	S5	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	x	
Cardinalidae	Passerina caerulea	Blue Grosbeak	SNA	G5	NNA	-	_	-		X	
Cardinalidae	Passerina cyanea	Indigo Bunting	S4B	G5	N5B	_		-	_	x	
Cardinalidae	Pheucticus Iudovicianus	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	X	
Cardinalidae	Piranga olivacea	Scarlet Tanager	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x	
Cathartidae	Cathartes aura	Turkey Vulture	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x	
Certhiidae	Certhia americana	Brown Creeper	S5B	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	X	
Charadriidae	Charadrius vociferus	Killdeer	S5B,S5N	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x	
Columbidae	Columba livia	Rock Pigeon	SNA	G5	NNA	SE	-	-	-	x	
Columbidae	Zenaida macroura	Mourning Dove	S5	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	x	
Corvidae	Corvus brachyrhynchos	American Crow	S5B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	X	
Corvidae	Corvus corax	Common Raven	S5	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	~	
Corvidae	Cyanocitta cristata	Blue Jay	S5	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	х	
Falconidae	Falco columbarius	Merlin	S5B	G5	N5B.N5N	-	NAR	NAR	-	x	
Falconidae	Falco peregrinus	Peregrine Falcon	S3B	G4	N3N4B,N3N	-	SC	NAR	SC	x	
Falconidae	Falco sparverius	American Kestrel	S4	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x	
Fringillidae	Acanthis flammea	Common Redpoll	S4B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	x	
Fringillidae	Haemorhous mexicanus	House Finch	SNA	G5	N5	SE	-	-	-	x	
Fringillidae	Haemorhous purpureus	Purple Finch	S4B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	x	
Fringillidae	Spinus pinus	Pine Siskin	S4B	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	x	
Fringillidae	Spinus tristis	American Goldfinch	S5B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	X	
Gaviidae	Gavia immer	Common Loon	S5B,S5N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	NAR	NAR	-	x	
Hirundinidae	Hirundo rustica	Barn Swallow	S4B	G5	N4N5B	-	THR	THR	THR	x	
Hirundinidae	Petrochelidon pyrrhonota	Cliff Swallow	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	
Hirundinidae	Progne subis	Purple Martin	S3S4B	G5	N5B					х	



FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	S RANK	G RANK	N RANK	EXOTIC STATUS	PROVINCIAL STATUS	COSEWIC STATUS	FEDERAL STATUS	OBSERVATION SOURCE; EBIRDS	OBSERVATION SOURCE; PROJECT FEEDERWATCH		OBSERVATION SOURCE; GBBC	SOUBCE
Hirundinidae	Riparia riparia	Bank Swallow	S4B	G5	N5B	-	THR	THR	THR	х				
Hirundinidae	Stelgidopteryx serripennis	Northern Rough-winged Swallow	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х				
Hirundinidae	Tachycineta bicolor	Tree Swallow	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х				
lcteridae	Agelaius phoeniceus	Red-winged Blackbird	S4	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	х	Х			
lcteridae	lcterus galbula	Baltimore Oriole	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х				
lcteridae	Molothrus ater	Brown-headed Cowbird	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х	Х			Х
lcteridae	Quiscalus quiscula	Common Grackle	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х	Х			х
lcteridae	Sturnella magna	Eastern Meadowlark	S4B	G5	N4B	-	THR	THR	THR	Х				
Laridae	Chroicocephalus philadelphia	Bonaparte's Gull	S4B,S4N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х				
Laridae	Hydroprogne caspia	Caspian Tern	S3B	G5	N3N4B	-	NAR	NAR	-	Х				
Laridae	Larus argentatus	Herring Gull	S5B,S5N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х				Х
Laridae	Larus delawarensis	Ring-billed Gull	S5B,S4N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х				
Laridae	Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	SNA	G5	N4N	-	-	-	-	Х				
Laridae	Larus hyperboreus	Glaucous Gull	S4N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х				
Laridae	Larus marinus	Great Black-backed Gull	S2B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	х				
Laridae	Sterna forsteri	Forster's Tern	S2B	G5	N4B	-	DD	DD	-	Х				
Laridae	Sterna hirundo	Common Tern	S4B	G5	N5B	-	NAR	NAR	-	X				
Mimidae Minsiala a	Dumetella carolinensis	Gray Catbird	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х				Х
Mimidae Bandianidaa	Toxostoma rufum Pandion haliaetus	Brown Thrasher	S4B S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	X				
Pandionidae Paridae		Osprey		G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	X				X
Parulidae	Poecile atricapillus	Black-capped Chickadee	S5 S4B	G5 G5	N5 N5B	-	-	-	-	X	Х			х
Parulidae	Geothlypis philadelphia	Mourning Warbler	S5B		N5B	-	-	-	-	X				
Parulidae	Geothlypis trichas Oreothlypis peregrina	Common Yellowthroat Tennessee Warbler	S5B S5B	G5 G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x				
Parulidae	Oreothlypis peregnila	Nashville Warbler	S5B	G5 G5	N5B	-	-	-	-					
Parulidae	Protonotaria citrea	Prothonotary Warbler	S5B S1B	G5 G5	N3B N1B	-	- END	- END	- END	x				
Parulidae	Seiurus aurocapilla	Ovenbird	S4B	G5 G5	N5B	-	END -		-	X				x
Parulidae	Setophaga coronata	Yellow-rumped Warbler	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	×				~
Parulidae	Setophaga magnolia	Magnolia Warbler	S5B	G5	N5B	-	_	-	_	X				
Parulidae	Setophaga palmarum palmarum	Western Palm Warbler	S5B	G5T5	N5B	-	-	_	-	×				
Parulidae	Setophaga petechia	Yellow Warbler	S5B	G5	N5B	-	_		-	X				х
Parulidae	Setophaga pinus	Pine Warbler	S5B	G5	N5B	_	-	_	_	x				~
Parulidae	Setophaga ruticilla	American Redstart	S5B	G5	N5B	-		-	-	x				х
Parulidae	Setophaga striata	Blackpoll Warbler	S4B	G5	N5B	_	_	_	_	X				~
Parulidae	Setophaga tigrina	Cape May Warbler	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x				
Parulidae	Setophaga virens	Black-throated Green Warbler	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x				
Passerellidae	Junco hyemalis	Dark-eyed Junco	S5B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	x	x		х	
Passerellidae	Melospiza melodia	Song Sparrow	S5B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	X	<i>N</i>		, A	х
Passerellidae	Passerella iliaca	Fox Sparrow	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x				
Passerellidae	Pipilo chlorurus	Green-tailed Towhee	SNA	G5	NNA	-	-	-	-	X				
Passerellidae	Spizella passerina	Chipping Sparrow	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	х			х
Passerellidae	Spizella pusilla	Field Sparrow	S4B	G5	N4B	-	-	-	-	х				
Passerellidae	Zonotrichia albicollis	White-throated Sparrow	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х				х
Passerellidae	Zonotrichia leucophrys	White-crowned Sparrow	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	х			
Passeridae	Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	SNA	G5	NNA	SE	-	-	-	х	х	х	х	х
Phalacrocoracidae	Phalacrocorax auritus	Double-crested Cormorant	S5B	G5	N5B	-	NAR	NAR	-	х				х
Phasianidae	Phasianus colchicus	Ring-necked Pheasant	SNA	G5	NNA	SE	-	-	-	х				
Picidae	Colaptes auratus	Northern Flicker	S4B	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	х				х
Picidae	Melanerpes carolinus	Red-bellied Woodpecker	S4	G5	N4	-	-	-	-	х	Х			
Picidae	Melanerpes lewis	Lewis's Woodpecker	SNA	G4	N2	-	-	-	-	х				
Picidae	Picoides pubescens	Downy Woodpecker	S5	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	х	Х			
Picidae	Picoides villosus	Hairy Woodpecker	S5	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	х				
Picidae	Sphyrapicus varius	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х				
Podicipedidae	Podiceps auritus	Horned Grebe	S1B,S4N	G5	N5B	-	SC	SC	SC	х				
Podicipedidae	Podilymbus podiceps	Pied-billed Grebe	S4B,S4N	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х				
Rallidae	Fulica americana	American Coot	S4B	G5	N5B	-	NAR	NAR	-	х				
Regulidae	Regulus calendula	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х				
Regulidae	Regulus satrapa	Golden-crowned Kinglet	S5B	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	х				
Scolopacidae	Actitis macularius	Spotted Sandpiper	S5	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х				

FAMILY	SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	S RANK	G RANK	N RANK	EXOTIC STATUS	PROVINCIAL STATUS	COSEWIC STATUS	FEDERAL STATUS	OBSERVATION SOURCE; EBIRDS	OBSE SOURCI FEEDI
Scolopacidae	Calidris alpina	Dunlin	S4B,S5N	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Scolopacidae	Calidris melanotos	Pectoral Sandpiper	SHB,S5N	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	
Scolopacidae	Calidris pusilla	Semipalmated Sandpiper	S3B,S4N	G5	N4B	-	-	-	-	х	
Scolopacidae	Limnodromus griseus	Short-billed Dowitcher	S3B,S4N	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	
Scolopacidae	Tringa melanoleuca	Greater Yellowlegs	S4B,S4N	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	
Sittidae	Sitta carolinensis	White-breasted Nuthatch	S5	G5	N5	-	-	-	-	Х	
Strigidae	Bubo scandiacus	Snowy Owl	SNA	G5	N5B,N5N	-	NAR	-	-	х	
Sturnidae	Sturnus vulgaris	European Starling	SNA	G5	NNA	SE	-	-	-	х	
Troglodytidae	Thryothorus Iudovicianus	Carolina Wren	S4	G5	N4	-	-	-	-	х	
Troglodytidae	Troglodytes aedon	House Wren	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	
Turdidae	Catharus guttatus	Hermit Thrush	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х	
Turdidae	Catharus ustulatus	Swainson's Thrush	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х	
Turdidae	Turdus migratorius	American Robin	S5B	G5	N5B,N5N	-	-	-	-	Х	
Tyrannidae	Contopus virens	Eastern Wood-pewee	S4B	G5	N4N5B	-	SC	SC	SC	Х	
Tyrannidae	Empidonax minimus	Least Flycatcher	S4B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х	
Tyrannidae	Sayornis phoebe	Eastern Phoebe	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	
Vireonidae	Vireo gilvus	Warbling Vireo	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х	
Vireonidae	Vireo olivaceus	Red-eyed Vireo	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	Х	
Vireonidae	Vireo philadelphicus	Philadelphia Vireo	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	х	
Vireonidae	Vireo solitarius	Blue-headed Vireo	S5B	G5	N5B	-	-	-	-	x	



# **TABLE LEGEND**

**PROVINCIAL STATUS:** Species at Risk Ontario - current status as defined by the Endangered Species Act (ESA, S.O. 2007) **COSEWIC STATUS:** Current status defined by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada **FEDERAL STATUS:** Current status as defined by the Species at Risk Act (R.S.O., 2002)

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END = Endangered THR = Threatened SC = Special Concern SE = Status Exotic (ON) NAR = Not at Risk

## **Ranking System**

SX, NX, or GX/TX: Presumed Extinct SH, NH, or GH/TH: Possibly Extinct S1, N1 or G1/T1: Critically Imperiled S2, N2, or G2/T2: Imperiled S3, N3, or G3/T3: Vulnerable S4, N4 or G4/T4: Apparently Secure S5, N5, or G5/T5: Secure SU, NU or GU/TU: Unrankable SNR, NNR, or GNR/TNR: Unranked S#S#, N#N#, or G#G#: Range Rank

### **N RANK and G RANK Definitions**

**Presumed Extirpated:** Species or community is believed to be extirpated from the nation or state/province. Not located despite intensive searches of historical sites and other appropriate habitat, and virtually no likelihood that it will be rediscovered.

**Possibly Extirpated** (Historical): Species or community occurred historically in the nation or state/province, and there is some possibility that it may be rediscovered. Its presence may not have been verified in the past 20-40 years. A species or community could become NH or SH without such a 20-40 year delay if the only known occurrences in a nation or state/province were destroyed or if it had been extensively and unsuccessfully looked for. The NH or SH rank is reserved for species or communities for which some effort has been made to relocate occurrences, rather than simply using this status for all elements not known from verified extant occurrences.

**Critically Imperiled:** Critically imperiled in the nation or state/province because of extreme rarity (often 5 or fewer occurrences) or because of some factor(s) such as very steep declines making it especially vulnerable to extirpation from the state/province.

**Imperiled:** Imperiled in the nation or state/province because of rarity due to very restricted range, very few populations (often 20 or fewer), steep declines, or other factors making it very vulnerable to extirpation from the nation or state/province.

**Vulnerable:** Vulnerable in the nation or state/province due to a restricted range, relatively few populations (often 80 or fewer), recent and widespread declines, or other factors making it vulnerable to extirpation.

Apparently Secure: Uncommon but not rare; some cause for long-term concern due to declines or other factors.

Secure: Common, widespread, and abundant in the nation or state/province.

Unranked: Nation or state/province conservation status not yet assessed.

Unrankable: Currently unrankable due to lack of information or due to substantially conflicting information about status or trends.

**Range Rank:** A numeric range rank (e.g., S2S3) is used to indicate any range of uncertainty about the status of the species or community. Ranges cannot skip more than one rank (e.g., SU is used rather than S1S4).

#### 5.4.3 Amphibians and Reptiles

No herpetofauna species were directly observed at the time of the site investigations. No nests, eggs, egg shells, carapaces, tracks, scat, skins or otherwise evidence of herpetofauna presence was observed at the time of the site investigations.

No ponds, watercourses, surface water drainage features, wetlands or pooled water was observed in the Study Area at the time of the site investigations nor through the results of the background review and pre-consultation phase. No amphibian or aquatic reptile habitat is present in the Study Area where improvements are proposed. No snake or otherwise terrestrial reptile habitat which may occur in adjacent greenspaces to the Project ROWs (e.g. forested lands as outlined in Figure 3. Ecological Land Classification Map) will be impacted by proposed undertakings.

#### 5.4.4 Significant Wildlife Habitat

In accordance with the Provincial Policy Statement (2014) and the MNRF's Significant Wildlife Habitat Technical Guide (2000), Significant Wildlife Habitat (SWH) is generally defined as areas where animals and other organisms live, and find adequate amounts of food, water, shelter, and space needed to sustain their populations. SWH can be considered ecologically important in terms of features, functions, representation or amount, or contributing to the quality and diversity of an identifiable geographic area or Natural Heritage System. Specific wildlife habitats of concern may include areas where species concentrate at a vulnerable time; areas of rare or specialized habitat; habitats of species of conservation concern, or animal movement corridors.

Based on the results of the site investigations, wildlife habitat within the Study Area does not meet the criteria for provincial significance.

#### 5.4.5 Species at Risk Habitat

Kentucky Coffee Tree (*Gymnocladus dioicus*) is a provincially Threatened species. One (1) Kentucky Coffee Tree was observed on the south side of University Avenue just east of Vista Place (see Tree # 145 on Sheet TI-2 of the Tree Inventory Site Plan in Appendix C for details). This small tree (DBH 8 cm) was not naturally occurring; it was actively planted on private property, south of the sidewalk.

Cucumber Tree (*Magnolia acuminata*) is a provincially Endangered species. Two (2) Magnolia trees were observed on the south side of University Avenue just west of Cameron Avenue (see Tree # 194 and #195 on Sheet TI-5 of the Tree Inventory Site Plan in Appendix C for details). Given the tree characteristics observed and the time of year the survey was completed, identification down to species level was not confirmed. These small trees (DBH 13 cm each) were not naturally occurring; they were actively planted in the ROW.

In accordance with the *Endangered Species Act* (ESA, 2007) and associated regulations (Ontario Regulation 242/08), vegetation species that have been cultivated and actively planted on the landscape are not subject to protection under the Act unless they have been planted as part of a compensation plan associated with a permit authorization under the ESA.

Correspondence with MECP noted records of two (2) SAR plants within the City of Windsor's limits; Willowleaf Aster (*Symphyotrichum praealtum*), and Dense Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*). Habitat for these species is not present within the Study Area.

No other listed vegetation species covered under the *Endangered Species Act* (2007) were observed within the Study Area at the time of the site investigations. No additional vegetation species of conservation concern (provincially, regionally or locally rare species) were observed within the Study Area at the time of the site investigations.

Based on the results of the background review, there are a number of provincially listed SAR bird observations recorded within 10 km<sup>2</sup> of the Study Area; Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*), Chimney Swift, Common Nighthawk (*Chordeiles minor*), Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), Barn Swallow, Bank Swallow (*Riparia riparia*), Eastern Meadowlark (*Sturnella magna*), Prothonotary Warbler (*Protonotaria citrea*), Horned Grebe (*Podiceps auratus*) and Eastern Wood-pewee (*Contopus virens*). Suitable habitat for these species in the Study Area was not observed. Direct correspondence with the MNRF notes that SAR habitat within the Project footprint is highly unlikely.

As noted in Section 5.4.2, MNDMNRF and MECP correspondence indicated records for two provincially threatened bird species; Barn Swallow and Chimney Swift within the area and noted that the likelihood for these species or their habitat to occur within the proposed Project footprint was low, see Appendix A – Records of Correspondence for details. Barn Swallows are known to occasionally nest in culverts, bridges or other artificial structures. Similarly, Chimney Swift are known to nest in artificial structures which provide protection against external environmental elements (e.g., building chimneys). All artificial structures (lamp posts, fences, etc.) and both bridges were inspected during the site investigations; no Barn Swallows, Chimney Swifts, or other signs of wildlife nesting were observed within the Study Area at the time of the site investigation.

Comments received by MECP, and staff at the Ojibway Prairie Complex noted the presence of Butler's Gartersnake (*Thamnophis butleri*) in the old railway corridor near Caron Avenue, as well as in Gateway Park. MECP also noted that Eastern Foxsnake – Carolinian population (*Pantherophis gloydi*) regulated habitat falls within the Study Area. No SAR snakes were observed in the Study Area during the survey period.

No SAR species protected under the ESA, or other species of conservation concern, were observed in the Study Area during the survey period. Mitigation measures have been recommended to account for disturbance to local wildlife which may be utilizing adjacent greenspaces.

# 6. Impact Assessment, Environmental Constraints, and Mitigation Measures

This section analyzes the results of the existing natural heritage components identified from the desktop review (i.e., information and consultation) and field observation. The analysis is to determine where the Project interacts with those components, what environmental constraints are applicable and to identify measures to eliminate, avoid or mitigate those impacts. Potential direct and indirect impacts have been considered during site preparation and construction and operation of the roadway improvements (Appendix C - Design Plates of the Preferred Alternative).

The Project is being undertaken to optimize the ROW to improve safety, operational efficiency, placemaking/implementation of green infrastructure, and provision of space for utility and sewer infrastructure. The preferred alternative (Appendix C) is not within the footprint of any valued ecosystem components and impacts to the natural heritage resources located at (1) the crossing over the CPR tracks between Caron Avenue and Salter Avenue and (2) the crossing over the Detroit River Tunnel Company lands (Gateway Park) between Wellington Avenue and Cameron Avenue, are not anticipated. However, construction has the potential to cause ecological impacts to optimize the ROW utility for transportation and subsurface servicing infrastructure which will include some vegetation clearing and grading activities.

## 6.1 Vegetation Cover and Tree Protection

As the Project is in a highly urbanized area impacts are anticipated to occur within greenspaces predominantly limited to manicured cultural landscape features, such as maintained lawns and planted street trees and shrubs. As a result, it is anticipated that most impacts will be associated with site preparation, demolition, and construction activities.

Vegetation removal is anticipated to occur in advance of construction to facilitate access, grading, and to provide set up and laydown space, etc. These impacts will occur within the existing residential and commercial lands along University Avenue East/West and Victoria Avenue. The exact extent of the tree removal is unknown currently.

The following general mitigation measures are proposed to mitigate potential impacts to trees within the Study Area:

- Develop a Tree Protection Plan which identifies locations to be preserved.
- Vegetation removal will be minimized and clearly delineated on construction drawings.
- The root system, trunk or branches of any tree not designated for removal will be protected from damage.
- In the event of accidental damage to trees, or unexpected vegetation removal, vegetation shall be replaced / restored with native species.
- Material or equipment will not be placed within the critical root zone of any tree.
- The existing grade will not be raised/lowered within the critical root zone without approval.

- Signs, notices, or posters will not be attached to any tree.
- Exhaust fumes from equipment will not be directed towards any tree's canopy; and
- Construction vehicles will have designated access routes from and to the construction area.

## 6.2 Wildlife, Significant Wildlife Habitat, and Migratory Birds

Several wildlife species were documented through background data review and have been confirmed through field investigations. Wildlife and associated habitat observed within the Study Area was typical of a disturbed setting and based on field observation common species are expected to be present within these habitat features all with secure habitats in Ontario. No significant wildlife habitat has been identified within the proposed construction footprint.

Several bird species have been previously recorded in the Study Area and the street trees provide suitable breeding bird habitat. Vegetation removal planned as part of the proposed roadway improvements has the potential to impact migratory birds and their nesting activities unless planned in accordance with the appropriate timing windows.

Project construction has the potential to directly impact the CVI\_1, CVR\_1, and CVC\_1 ecosites. Use of heavy machinery, increased human presence, noise and light pollution, soil compaction, stockpiled earth, and sedimentation of existing terrestrial habitat has the potential to indirectly impact common wildlife and wildlife habitat in adjacent areas. However, with proper implementation of avoidance and mitigations such as site clearing outside of the active season, and proper isolation of the construction areas, these impacts are anticipated to be temporary and methods to restore the disturbed areas post-construction should be implemented.

The following mitigation measures are proposed to avoid or mitigate impacts to breeding birds, wildlife, and associated wildlife habitat:

- Removal of any woody vegetation and/or existing infrastructure will not occur during the breeding bird season from April 15 - August 31 inclusive, unless a qualified biologist has searched the site for nests and concluded that no nests are present, no more than 2 days prior to clearing. If nests are found, a protective buffer around the location will be required until such time that the nest is abandoned.
- If work must occur during the peak activity period for snakes, exclusion fencing shall be installed adjacent to natural areas prior to the peak activity period (April 1) and shall be properly maintained and monitored for the duration of construction. The goal of exclusion fencing is to prevent or minimize the risk of harm to herpetofauna and their nests and/or eggs by physically preventing them from entering the work areas at any time prior to and during construction.
  - Fence installation shall be consistent with the methods prescribed in the Reptile and Amphibian Exclusion Fencing: Best Practices (MNRF, 2013).
  - Inspect protective exclusion measures daily and after each rain event to ensure their integrity and continued function.
- Removal of natural vegetation will be minimized and clearly delineated on construction drawings.



- Workforce will be educated on potential wildlife which could occur in the vicinity of the work area and measures to avoid wildlife.
- Harassment and/or harm to wildlife during construction is prohibited.
- When possible, work will be completed during daylight hours. If nighttime lights are used, they will be installed to illuminate the work area only to minimize impacts to nighttime activities of wildlife.
- Vehicles and equipment will have the appropriate mufflers installed.
- Vehicle and equipment engine idling will be minimized.
- Construction vehicles will have designated access routes from and to the construction area.
- Stockpiled materials will be surrounded by sediment control fencing to prevent usage by wildlife.
- Existing access roads will be used as much as possible and speed limits will be clearly posted on site access and construction roads to minimize the potential for wildlife road mortality; and
- If an unexpected, rare plant or animal species are encountered, construction activities will be halted, and MECP will be contacted to provide advice on additional mitigation measures or permits which may be required.

## 6.3 Species at Risk

At this time, no SAR or their habitats have been identified in the buildable area within the Project limits; however, there is potential for SAR (i.e., birds, and snakes) to travel through the Study Area during construction activities, therefore, standard wildlife mitigation recommended in Section 6.2 will be implemented.

To ensure compliance under Section 9 and/or Section 10 of the ESA, and to protect SAR and SAR habitat during development and operations of the proposed project activities, the following general mitigation measures are recommended:

- A worker awareness program shall be provided to all on-site personnel that includes species at risk identification and habitat characteristics and provides general species-specific guidance with respect to appropriate actions to be taken whenever these species are encountered.
- A daily pre-construction search of the machinery and the work area shall be implemented to identify presence of species at risk, as animals may be found hiding or basking around equipment, rocks, debris piles etc.
- If endangered or threatened species are observed in or near the study area, work shall stop immediately, a photograph shall be taken of the species (if possible) and the SAR shall be allowed to move out of the work area on its own. The MECP shall be notified (as required).
- Consultation with MNRF and MECP should be completed upon detailed design to confirm permitting and approval requirements.

## 6.4 Related General Considerations

Construction activities may impact air quality because of noise, fugitive dust or vehicle/equipment exhaust. This potential impact could affect terrestrial species and their associated habitat. The following mitigation measures are proposed to avoid or mitigate impacts:

- Dust Management Plan will be developed by the contractor prior to construction.
- All equipment and vehicles will be equipped with dust collectors and mufflers as appropriate.
- During concrete removal, tarps will be used to contain airborne dust particles.
- Water will be applied, at a minimum, daily, to all inactive disturbed surface areas. Water will be applied more frequently if required to prevent the visible emissions of fugitive dust.
- Water will be applied to all unpaved roads used for vehicular traffic at a frequency enough to prevent the visible emissions of fugitive dust.
- Clean gravel with low fines content will be chosen as material to top unpaved roads. Unpaved roads will be regularly graded and maintained to avoid wash boarding and rutting that can increase fugitive dust emissions.
- All loads on haul trucks will be covered.
- During very windy conditions, material handling/transfer activity that generates fugitive dust will be avoided or reduced. If it is not possible to reschedule the activity, increased application of water for dust suppression may be used.
- A sprinkler or spray system will be considered for areas requiring frequent wetting.
- Water will be applied to all open stockpiles daily when there is evidence of wind driven fugitive dust.
- Wetted stockpiles will be surrounded with sediment and erosion control measures (i.e., fencing).
- Materials with the potential to generate dust will be sprayed with water 15 minutes prior to handling and/or at points of transfer.
- Disturbed areas will be re-vegetated following a re-vegetation plan which will utilize native shrubs and trees, based on local conditions, to promote the quick re-growth of a natural habitat and minimize fugitive dust.

## 7. Summary and Recommendations / Conclusions

This NEA provides an analysis of the potential impacts to the valued ecosystem components that may result from the proposed roadway improvements located along University Avenue East/West and Victoria Avenue. Based on the preferred alternative (Appendix C) project construction is proposed solely within the CVC\_1, CVR\_1, and CVC\_1 ecosites where no impacts are anticipated to the natural heritage features (i.e., located at the crossing over the CPR tracks between Caron Avenue and Salter Avenue and the crossing over the Detroit River Tunnel Company lands (Gateway Park) between Wellington Avenue and Cameron Avenue) identified within the Study Area. However, there are some minor and temporary impacts anticipated within the Study Area as a result of the Project. A summary of the ecological features and functions identified within the Study Area which may be impacted by this development include the following:

- Damage or loss of trees and vegetation during construction.
- Potential loss of migratory bird nest, eggs and nestling due to tree cutting, vegetation clearing or building demolition activities.
- Temporary disruption to wildlife and potential SAR within and adjacent to Study Area during construction activities.
- Changes in air quality including of noise, fugitive dust or vehicle/equipment exhaust.

Consultation with MNDMNRF and MECP should be completed as part of detailed design to confirm permitting and approval requirements, and whether additional surveying is required.

It is anticipated that the preferred alternative selected will result in the fewest impacts to the natural environment as it will occur on already developed lands associated with existing roadways, intersections, residential and commercial lands, as well as creating attractive complete street corridors.

This NEA provides recommended avoidance techniques and mitigation measures for implementation in the design and construction of the proposed alternative. Our assessment of the potential for impacts to the natural heritage features within the Study Area is based on the application of these avoidance techniques and mitigation measures. It is our professional opinion that the proposed development will have no significant negative impacts on the natural heritage features or their ecological functions if all mitigation measures provided within this report are followed.

## 7.1 Study Limitations and Constraints

CIMA+ completed diligent and reasonable research in the conduct of this evaluation, with respect to the recognized laws and standards of practice.

The facts presented in this report are strictly limited to the period of investigation. The conclusions presented in this report are based on the available information and documents, the observations made during the Site visit and the information obtained from communications with various contacts. The interpretation presented in this report is limited to this data.

CIMA+ is not responsible for erroneous conclusions due to voluntary abstention or the nonavailability of pertinent information. Any opinion expressed in relation to legal or regulatory conformity is technical and should not be, in any case, considered as legal advice.



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# **Appendix A**

**Records of Correspondence** 



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Good afternoon Lauren,

Please see ERCA response attached.



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Subject: Data Request - University and Victoria Ave, Windsor MCEA\_B000917

Good afternoon,

We have been retained by the City of Windsor to complete a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for road improvements to University Avenue West and Victoria Avenue. Specifically, the Study Corridors include University Ave West/East between Huron Church Road and McDougall Street and a unique cross-street – Victoria Avenue from Chatham Street West to Park Street West, please see attached Study Area Map for details.

The project is being undertaken optimize the right-of-way to improve safety, operational efficiency, placemaking/green infrastructure, and space for utility and sewer infrastructure. As such, we are requesting any natural heritage data (such as fisheries data, ELC data, watershed/subwatershed reports, etc.) the ERCA may have on file as relevant to this project for inclusion in the Natural Environment Assessment.

If you have any questions regarding the request or Project, please don't hesitate to contact us anytime.

Kind regards, Lauren

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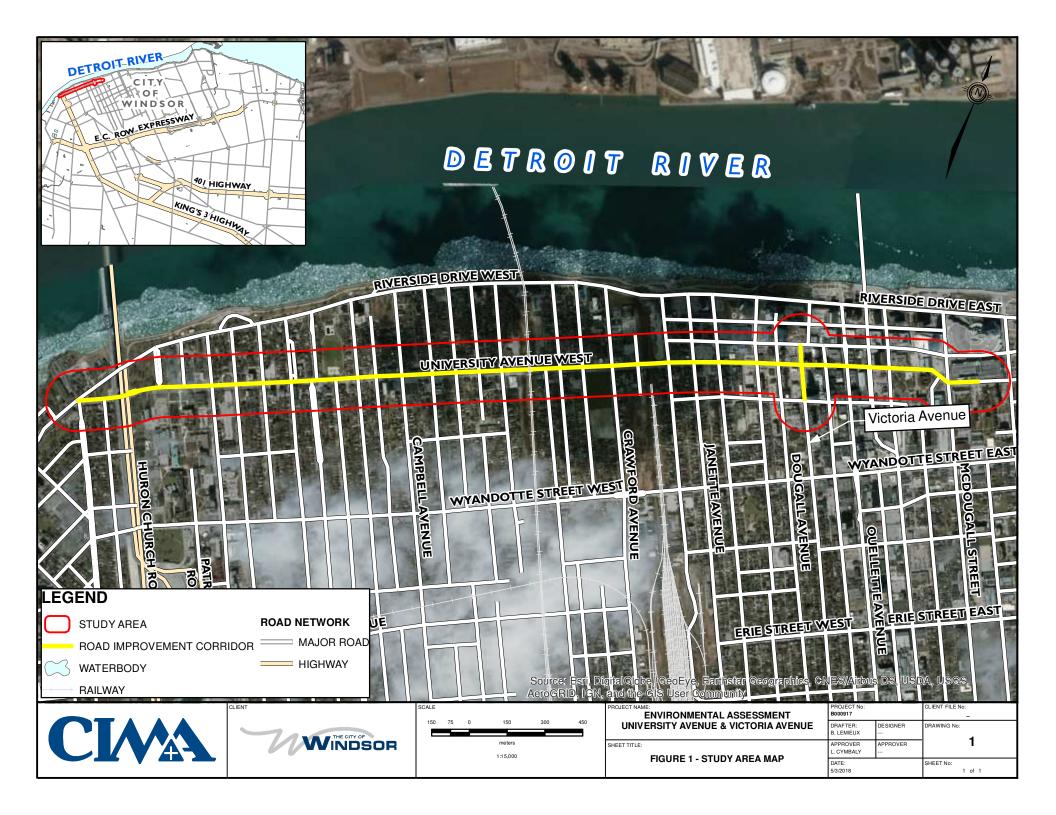
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Dear Lauren Cymbaly,

RE: Road improvements to University Avenue and Victoria Avenue - Class EA Municipal Class EA Request For Information

This letter is in response to our receipt and review of the following Request For Information for the Road improvements to University Avenue and Victoria Avenue - Class EA. We have reviewed the Study Area Map for sources and records of natural heritage data that ERCA has on file. I can confirm that we have no available mapping or relevant natural heritage data in this study area.

I would advise that the province of Ontario may have relevant natural heritage data through searcing their Land Information Ontario (LIO) data portal.

The two general areas within the Study Area that ERCA would recommend investigating further would be (1) the crossing over the CPR tracks between Caron Avenue and Salter Avenue and (2) the crossing over the Detroit River Tunnel Company lands (Gateway Park) between Wellington Avenue and Cameron Avenue. These two areas are linear (north-south) features that may support natural heritage resources.

Per our Board approved policies, I would also request that any reports of any natural heritage investigations be submitted to the City of Windsor, ERCA, the Aylmer District office of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, and the Natural Heritage Information Centre (NHIC). More information on the submission standards for the NHIC are found online through this link: <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/report-rare-species-animals-and-plants">https://www.ontario.ca/page/report-rare-species-animals-and-plants</a>. The intent of this is to ensure that any relevant natural heritage data that is obtained under an Environmental Assessment process is available to be used for other studies, initiatives, and processes (e.g., land use planning decisions under the Planning Act).

The other observation about the study area is that the delineation of the Significant Groundwater Recharge Area (SGRA) extent in the City of Windsor ends immediately to the west of the study area (map attached). I would recommend that should green infrastructure options be considered in this area that the SGRA be fully evaluated as a component of the review of options during this study.

We look forward to the next steps in the environmental assessment process. Please keep our office advised of any further requests for input and comment.



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May 08, 2018

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly should you have any questions,

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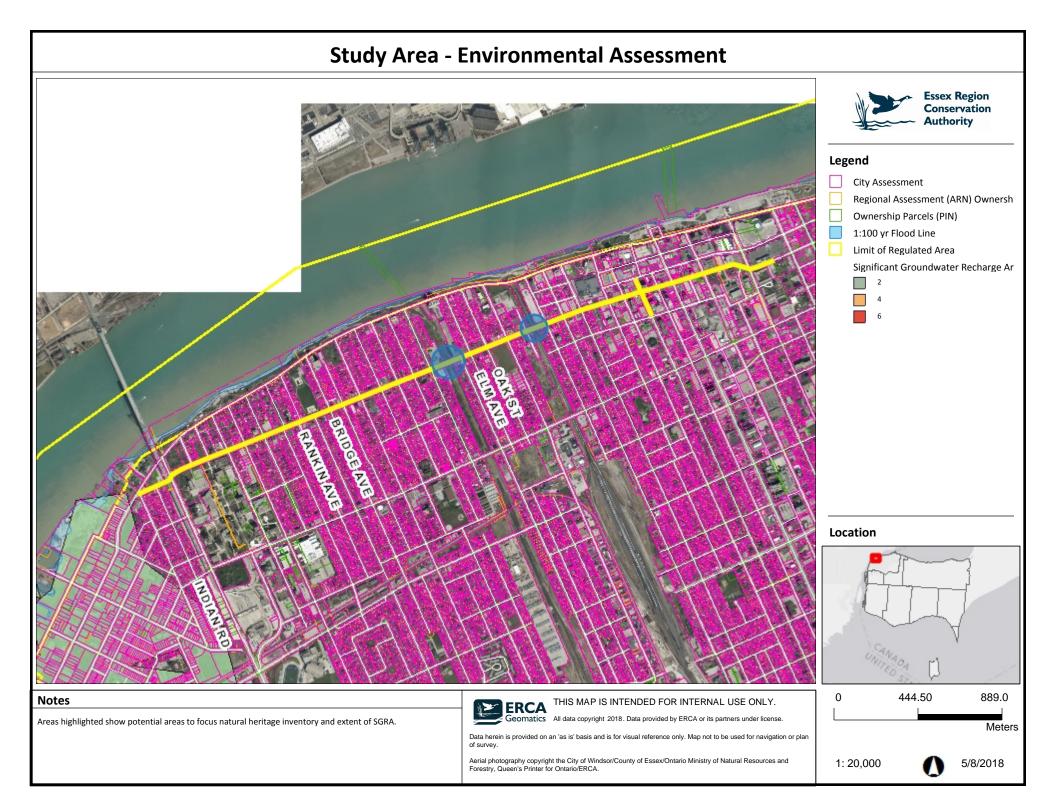
Michael Nelson, Watershed Planner

- C: Planning@erca.org
- Encl. Study Area Map showing SGRA and 2 locations for natural heritage inventory



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From:	ESA-Aylmer (MNRF)
То:	Lauren Cymbaly
Cc:	Jennifer Haslett; Jaime Garcia
Subject:	RE: Data Request - City of Windsor MCEA University and Victoria Ave_B000917
Date:	Tuesday, July 3, 2018 2:09:04 PM

Good afternoon Lauren (cc. Jennifer and Jaime):

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) understands that CIMA+ is conducting an environmental assessment for the City of Windsor's road improvement project proposed at University Avenue West and Victoria Avenue in the City of Windsor, Essex County, as identified in the information provided.

MNRF provides the following natural heritage information in response to your request.

#### Species at Risk (SAR)

The Species at Risk in Ontario (SARO) List (<u>https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/080230</u>) is Ontario Regulation 230/08 issued under the *Endangered Species Act, 2007* (ESA). The ESA came into force on June 30, 2008, and provides both species protection (under section 9) and habitat protection (under section 10) to species listed as endangered or threatened on the SARO List.

## An initial SAR (Endangered and Threatened species) screening has been completed for the above-noted property.

There are no known occurrences of SAR on the property; however, there are known occurrences of SAR in the general project area with the potential to occur on the property, including:

- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Eastern Foxsnake (Carolinian Population)</sub> (endangered), with species and regulated habitat protection. Please note that this project is within the regulated habitat of this species.
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> <u>Butler's Gartersnake (endangered)</u>, with species and general habitat protection.
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> <u>Barn Swallow (threatened)</u>, with species and general habitat protection.
- <sup>3</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> <u>Chimney Swift (threatened)</u>, with species and general habitat protection.
- <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Eastern Flowering Dogwood (endangered), with species and general habitat protection.

Please note that this is an initial screening for SAR and the absence of an element occurrence does not indicate the absence of species. The province has not been surveyed comprehensively for the presence or absence of SAR and MNRF data relies on observers to report sightings of SAR. Field assessments by a qualified professional may be necessary if there is a high likelihood for SAR species and/or habitat to occur within the project footprint and potentially be impacted.

## Based on the information provided for this project, MNRF considers there to be low likelihood for the above-noted species and/or habitat to occur within the proposed project footprint.

It is important to note the following:

- The Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario (COSSARO) meets regularly to evaluate new species for listing and/or re-evaluate species already on the SARO List.
- As a result, species designations may change and changes may occur in both species and habitat protection which could affect the level of protection they receive under the ESA 2007 and whether proposed projects may have adverse effects on SAR.
- Habitat protection provisions for a species may change if a species-specific habitat regulation comes into effect.

If an activity or project will result in adverse effects to endangered or threatened species and/or their habitat, additional action would need to be taken in order to remain in compliance with the ESA. Additional action could be applying for an authorization under section 17(2)(c) of the ESA, or completing an online registry for an ESA regulation and following the rules in regulation if the project is eligible

(<u>http://www.ontario.ca/environment-and-energy/natural-resources-approvals</u>). Questions about the registry process should be directed to MNRF's Registry and Approval Services Centre at 1-855-613-4256 or at <u>mnr.rasc@ontario.ca</u>. Please be advised that applying for an authorization does not guarantee approval and the process can take several months.

Please be advised that it is your responsibility to be aware of and comply with all relevant federal or provincial legislation, municipal by-laws or other agency approvals.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Karissa Reischke | Management Biologist Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (Aylmer District) (519) 773-4751 Karissa.Reischke@Ontario.ca 615 John St. N. Aylmer, ON N5H 2S8

From: Lauren Cymbaly [mailto:Lauren.Cymbaly@cima.ca]
Sent: May 3, 2018 3:15 PM
To: ESA-Aylmer (MNRF) <ESA.Aylmer@ontario.ca>
Cc: Jennifer Haslett <Jennifer.Haslett@cima.ca>; Jaime Garcia <Jaime.Garcia@cima.ca>
Subject: Data Request - City of Windsor MCEA University and Victoria Ave B000917

Good afternoon,

We have been retained by the City of Windsor to complete a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for road improvements to University Avenue West and Victoria Avenue. Specifically, the Study Corridors include University Ave West/East between Huron Church Road and McDougall Street and a unique cross-street – Victoria Avenue from Chatham Street West to Park Street West, please see attached Study Area map for details.

The project is being undertaken optimize the right-of-way to improve safety, operational efficiency, placemaking/green infrastructure, and space for utility and sewer infrastructure. As such, we are requesting any SAR occurrence data the MNRF may have on file as relevant to this project for inclusion in the Natural Environment Assessment.

As outlined in the Aylmer District Species at Risk Screening Process Technical Bulletin, please see below for the required information as part of this request:

• Proponent information (name, mailing address, and email address); We are the delegate consultants requesting the information on behalf the City of Windsor.

Mailing address: 400 City Hall Square East,

#### Windsor, Ontario N9A 7K6

If you require the specific City staff contact(s) in charge of this project to process the request, just let us know.

• Property location and mapping (municipal address and/or lot and concession); The project location is situated along University Avenue West and Victoria Avenue in Windsor Ontario. Specifically, the Study Corridors include University Ave West/East between Huron Church Road and McDougall Street and a unique cross-street – Victoria Avenue from Chatham Street West to Park Street West, please see attached Study Area Map for details.

• Digital photos of the property, including the vegetation on-site, if available; None available at this time.

General description of all proposed activities and extent of development footprint (e.g. residential, driveway, vegetation clearing). Maps / site layout drawings are beneficial;
 The project is being undertaken optimize the right-of-way to improve safety, operational efficiency, placemaking/implementation of green infrastructure, and provision of space for utility and sewer infrastructure. The Project may encompass some vegetation clearing and grading activities to optimize the ROW utility for transportation and subsurface servicing infrastructure. Please see attached Study Area map for details noting that for due diligence purposes, the Study Area for the purposes of this request is defined at a 120m radius from the Study Corridors, however, the expected area of impact is anticipated to be much smaller. We don't have any more information to provide at this stage as we are still in the early phases of the project.

Current state of vegetation, property maintenance/management (e.g. frequency of mowing), and recent property landscape history/changes (within the last five years);
 The Project is located in a highly urbanized area; adjacent lands are mixed-use residential and commercial. Based on aerial imagery analysis, greenspace is predominantly limited to manicured cultural landscape features.

• Timing and duration of proposed activities;

The Natural Environment Assessment report is scheduled for completion by mid-June 2018, field investigations will commence in spring 2018. The ESR is scheduled for completion by mid-June 2019.

• Copies of past correspondence with MNRF about the property, if applicable; and,

None related to this project at this time.

• Status of municipal planning or Environmental Assessment process, if any. The Notice of Project will be issued in upcoming weeks.

If you have any questions regarding the above or require any additional information to process this request, please don't hesitate to contact us anytime. If there are changes to the project or schedule, we will be in touch.

Best regards, Lauren

Lauren Cymbaly, M.E.S. Environmental Professional

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#### **Casey Little**

To:Casey LittleSubject:RE: City of Windsor - University Avenue & Victoria Avenue EA - Notice of PIC #2

From: Species at Risk (MECP) <<u>SAROntario@ontario.ca</u>>
Sent: February 15, 2022 11:11 AM
To: Kate Barclay <<u>Katherine.Barclay@cima.ca</u>>
Subject: RE: City of Windsor - University Avenue & Victoria Avenue EA - Notice of PIC #2

#### EXTERNAL EMAIL

Hello Kate,

Thank you for circulating information on the City of Windsor's University Avenue and Victoria Avenue Municipal Class Environmental Assessment to Species at Risk Branch, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP). I apologize for the delay in response. Species at Risk Branch experiences a large volume of requests relating to the *Endangered Species Act, 2007* (ESA).

Please see the attached Draft "Client's Guide to Preliminary Screening for Species at Risk". This guide is a resource for clients seeking to understand if their activity is likely to impact species at risk or their habitat, and if they are likely to trigger the need for an authorization under ESA. MECP is available to assist with the identification of species at risk and/or protected habitat under the ESA that have the potential to be impacted by the project, following the completion of a preliminary screening outlined in the guide.

As a note, a number of species at risk occur within the City of Windsor, including (but not limited to):

- Butler's Gartersnake (endangered) receives species and general habitat protection. This species is known to occur in the study area.
- Eastern Foxsnake Carolinian population (endangered) receives species and regulated habitat protection. The study area falls within regulated habitat for this species.
- Species at risk plants (e.g. Willowleaf Aster, Dense Blazing Star) receives species and general habitat protection.
- Species at risk birds (e.g. Chimney Swift, Barn Swallow) receive species and general habitat protection.

MECP understands that detailed designs and project timelines are not currently available. Future consultation with MECP is recommended, following the completion of field assessments, to determine if authorization under the *Endangered Species Act, 2007* will be required for any of the project components.

Regards,

#### Kathryn Markham

Management Biologist Permissions and Compliance Section, Species at Risk Branch Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

From: Kate Barclay <<u>Katherine.Barclay@cima.ca</u>> Sent: July 15, 2021 11:55 AM

#### **Cc:** <u>jhagan@citywindsor.ca</u>; Windsor University Ave <<u>WindsorUniversityAve.EA@cima.ca</u>> **Subject:** City of Windsor - University Avenue & Victoria Avenue EA - Notice of PIC #2

**CAUTION -- EXTERNAL E-MAIL - Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender.** Good Morning,

Please see attached Notice of Public Information Centre (PIC) #2 for the City of Windsor University Avenue & Victoria Avenue Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study. The PIC is scheduled to occur on July 27, 2021 and will be held virtually on Zoom. Information about how to attend the virtual PIC is included on the attached notice.

If you have any questions regarding the study or the PIC, please do not hesitate to contact either Project Manager listed on the notice.

Thank you,

**KATE BARCLAY,** EIT EIT / Transportation

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# Appendix B Photographic Log





	Site Location ty Avenue, City , Ontario		
Photo #	Date	Cardinal Direction	
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View of the interior landscape associated with Assumption Park. All trees were inspected for active nesting structures or otherwise wildlife habitat evidence.





	Site Locati ty Avenue, Cit , Ontario		
Photo #	Date	Cardinal Direction	
3	07/06/2018	S	5
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View of catholic church (Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Parish) and associated landscape features, located on the south side of University Avenue West at the			
	d of the Stuc		







Site Location			
University Avenue, City of Windsor, Ontario			
Photo Date Cardinal # Direction			
5	07/06/2018	N	
Description			
View of the north side of Gateway Park and associated cultural and natural heritage features.			









Universit Windsor	Site Location ty Avenue, City , Ontario	
Photo #	Date	Cardinal Direction
7	07/06/2018	SW
Description		
View of undeveloped lands located on the south side of University Avenue West between Oak Street and Crawford Avenue.		





over the CPR railway tracks. Present use of the line is limited to those associated with lands south of the bridge as seen in the background of the photograph.





Site Location
University Avenue, City of

Windsor, OntarioPhoto<br/>#Date<br/>Date<br/>Direction907/05/2018N

Description

View of historic railway line track location and associated deciduous forest present north of the bridge (Photo #8) at University Ave. W. between Salter Avenue and Caron Avenue.



#### Site Location University Avenue, City of

Windsor, Ontario

Photo #	Date	Cardinal Direction
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Description		

View of railway line track location and associated deciduous forest present south of the bridge (Photo #8) at University Ave. W. between Salter Avenue and Caron Avenue.





	Site Locati	on	
Universit Windsor	ty Avenue, Cit , Ontario	y of	
Photo #	Date	Cardinal Direction	
11	07/06/2018	S	
	Descriptio	'n	

View of the underside of the bridge associated with University Avenue West between Salter Avenue and Caron Avenue. All bridges, culverts and other artificial structures were inspected for Barn Swallow, Chimney Swift other wildlife nesting structures. No nests were observed at the time of the site investigations.



#### Site Location University Avenue, City of Windsor, Ontario

Photo #	Date	Cardinal Direction
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Description		

View of landscape features associated with Senator David A. Croll Park. All trees were inspected for active nesting structures or otherwise wildlife habitat evidence.

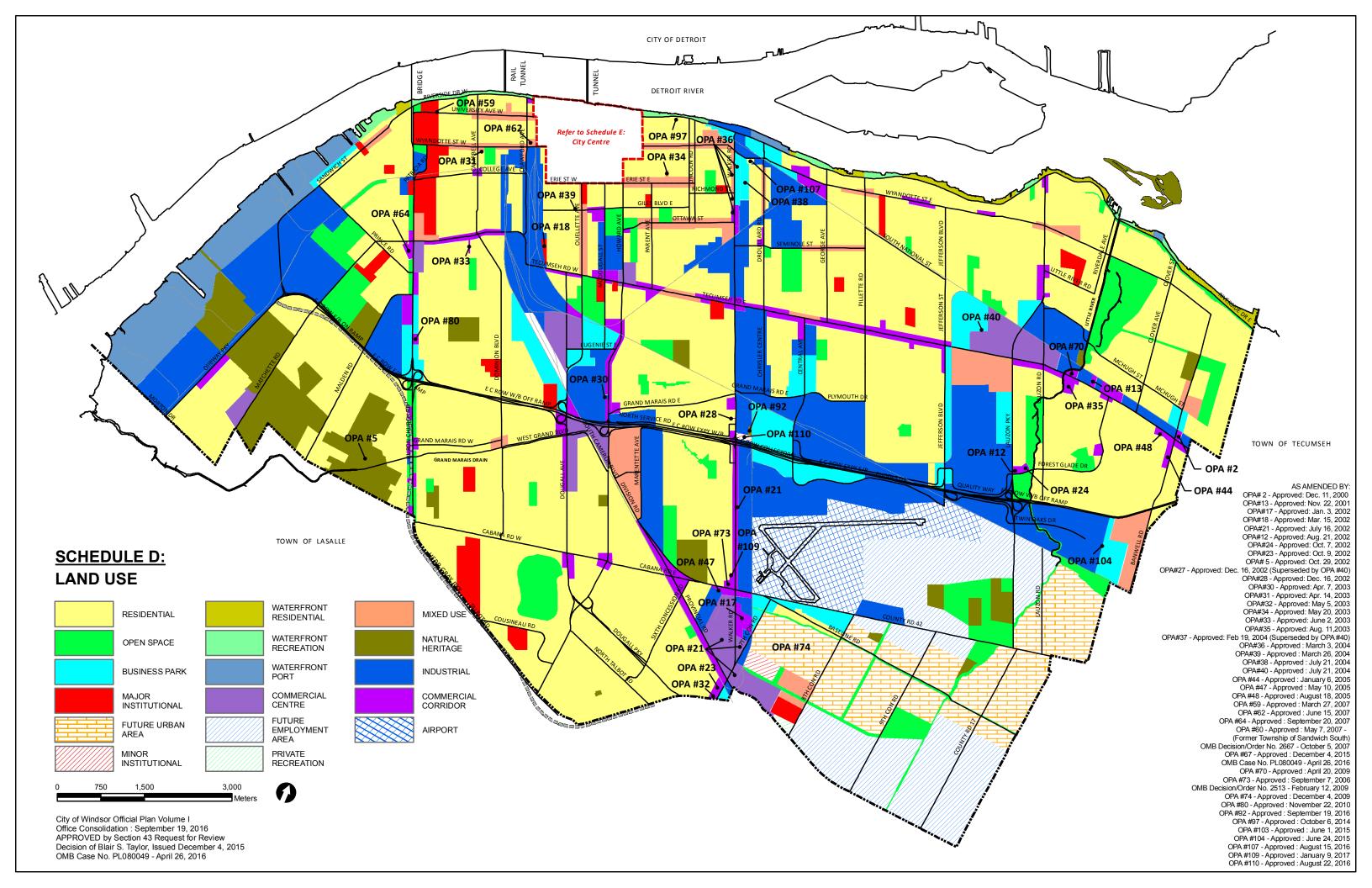


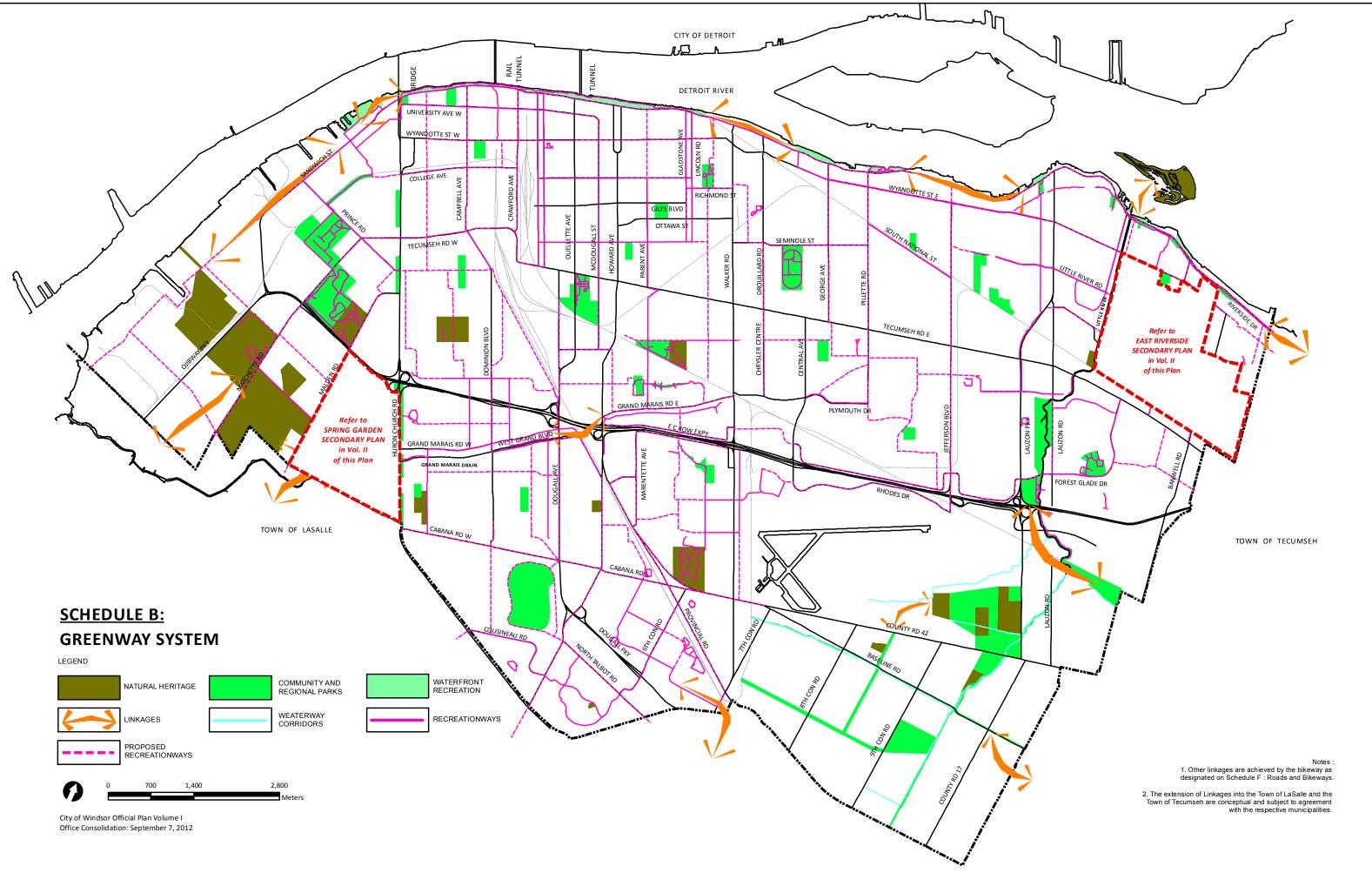


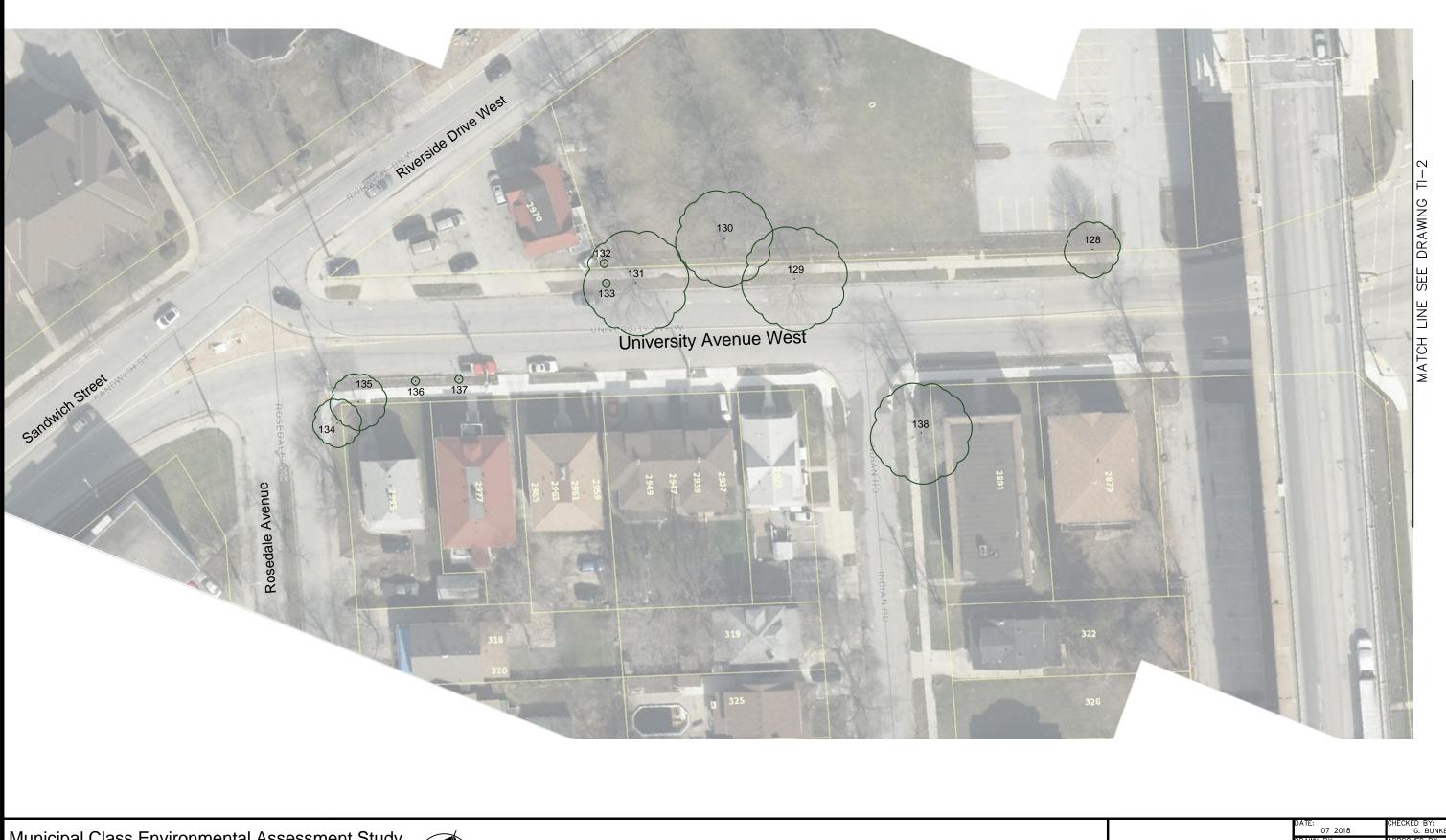
# Appendix C

Supporting Documents







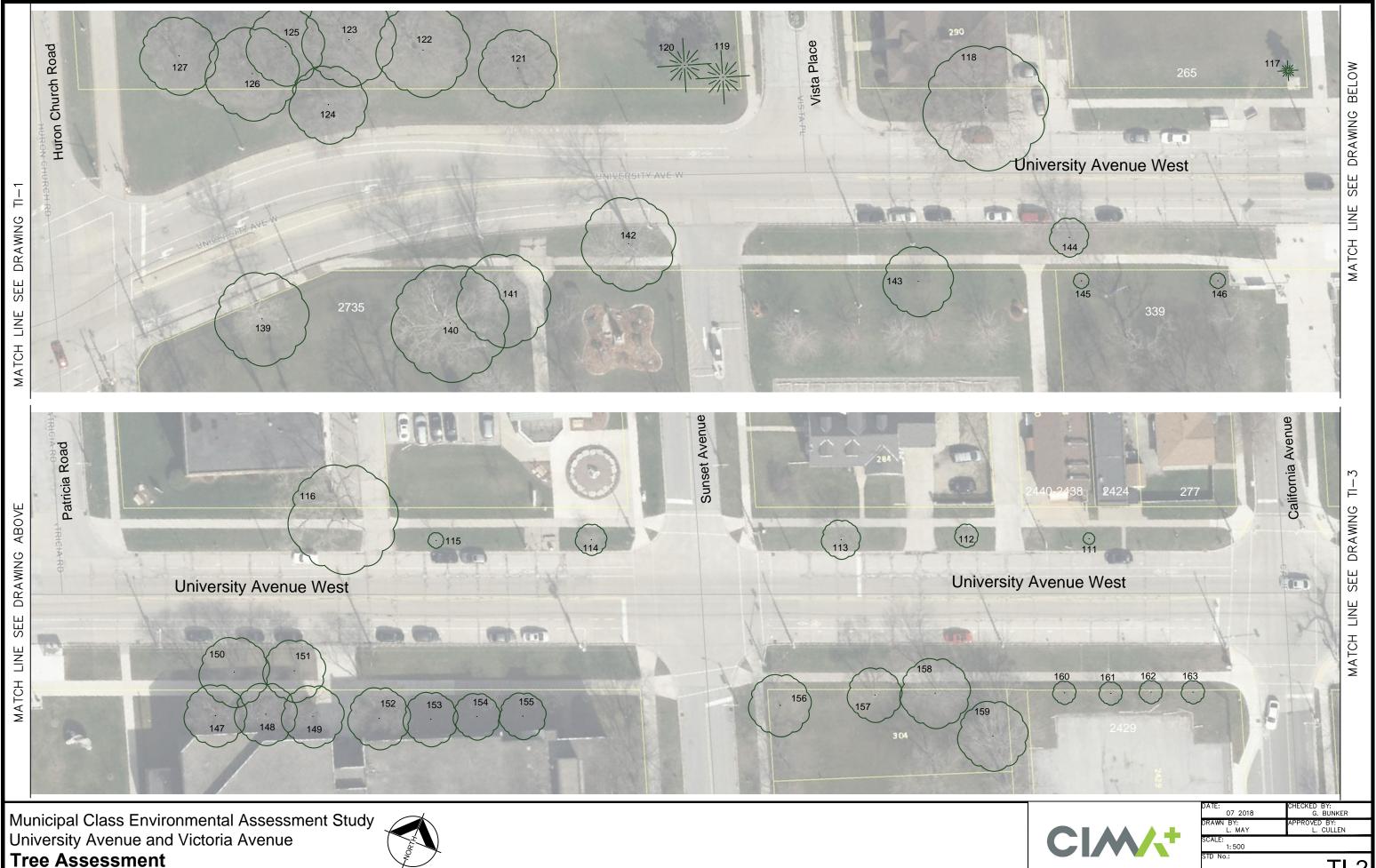


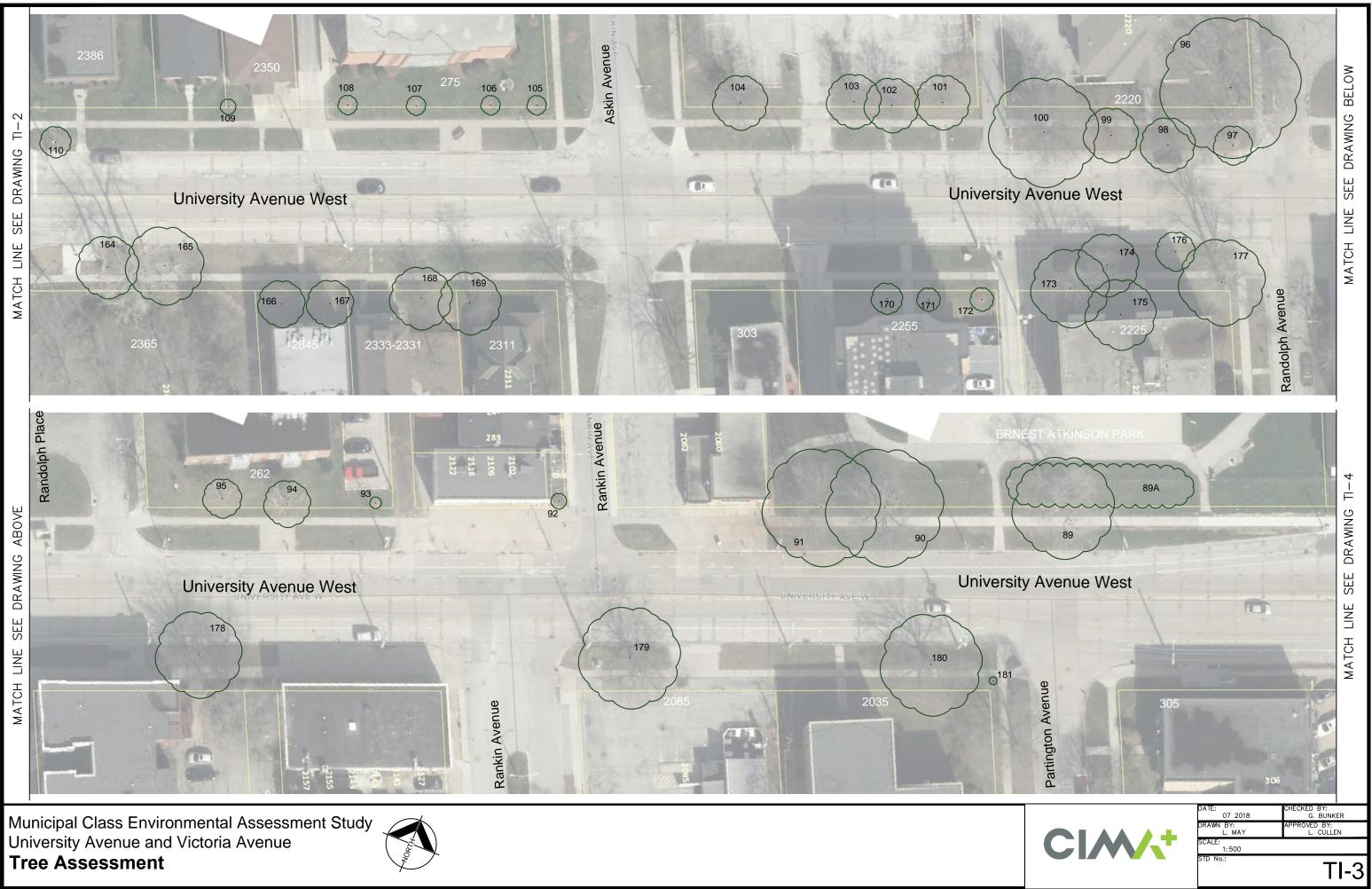
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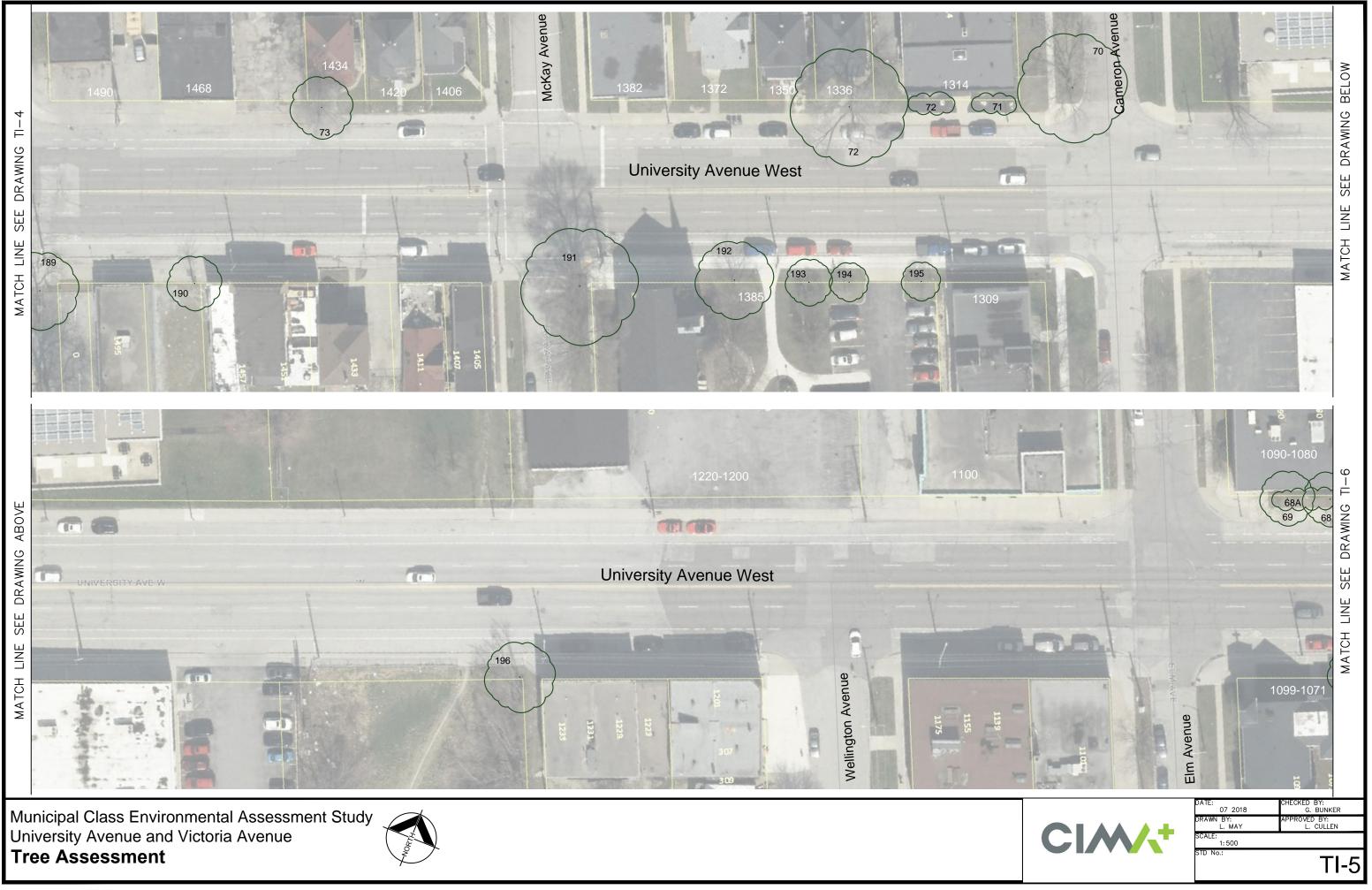




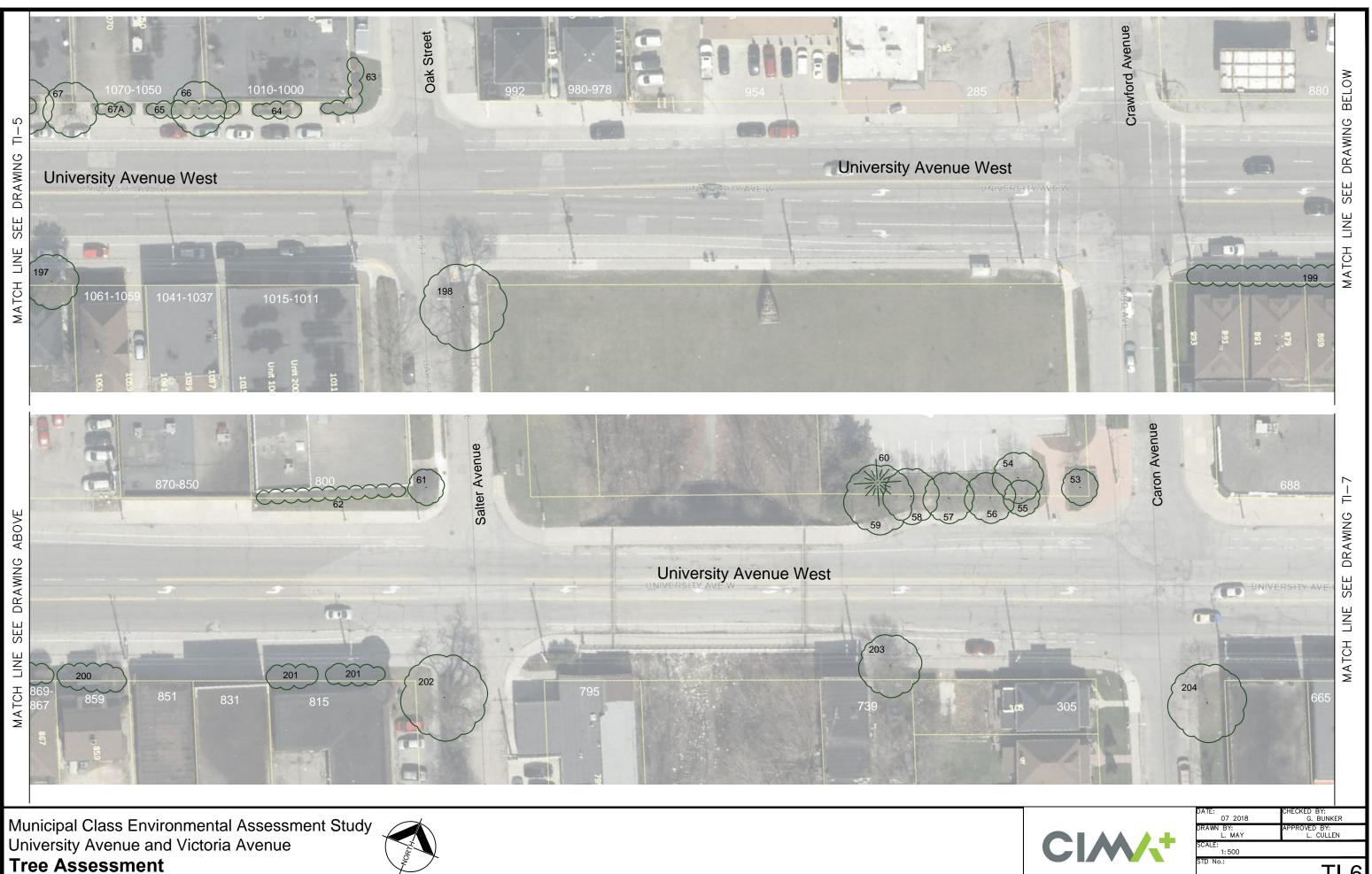














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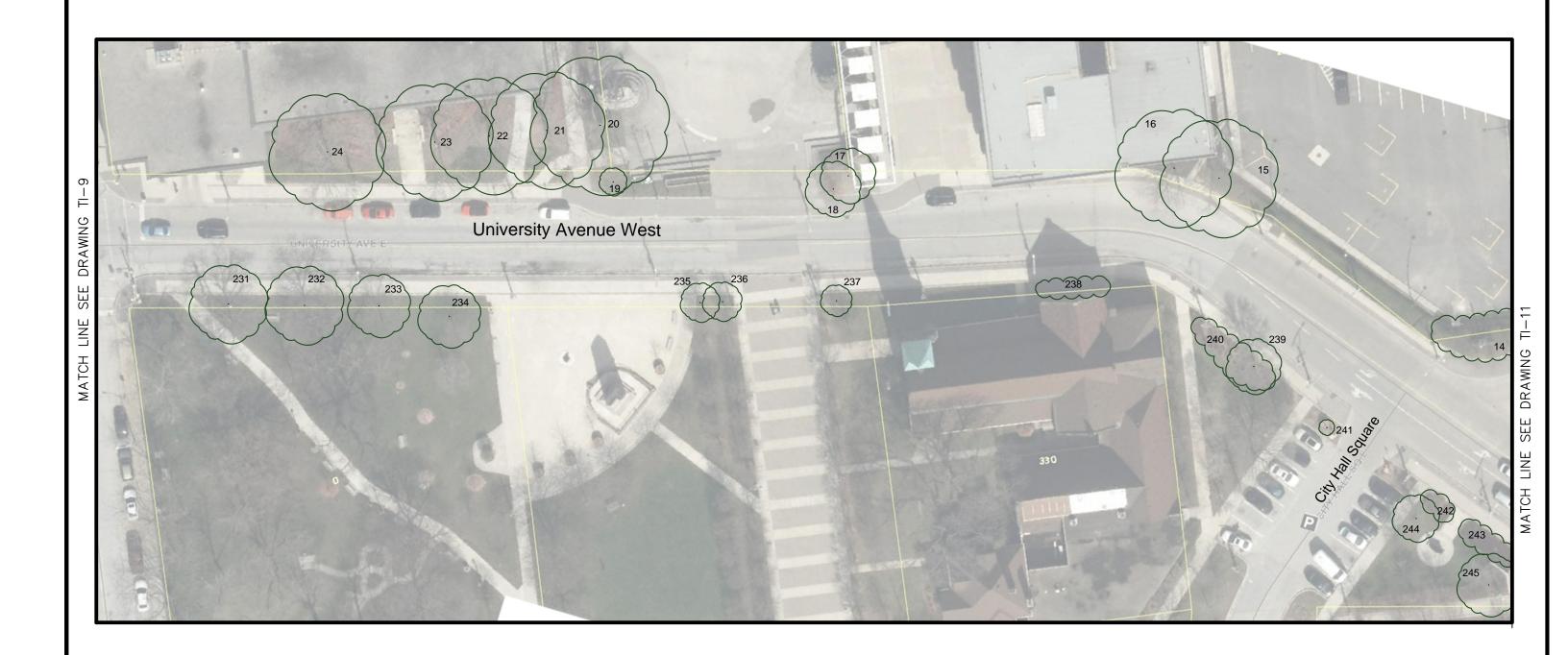


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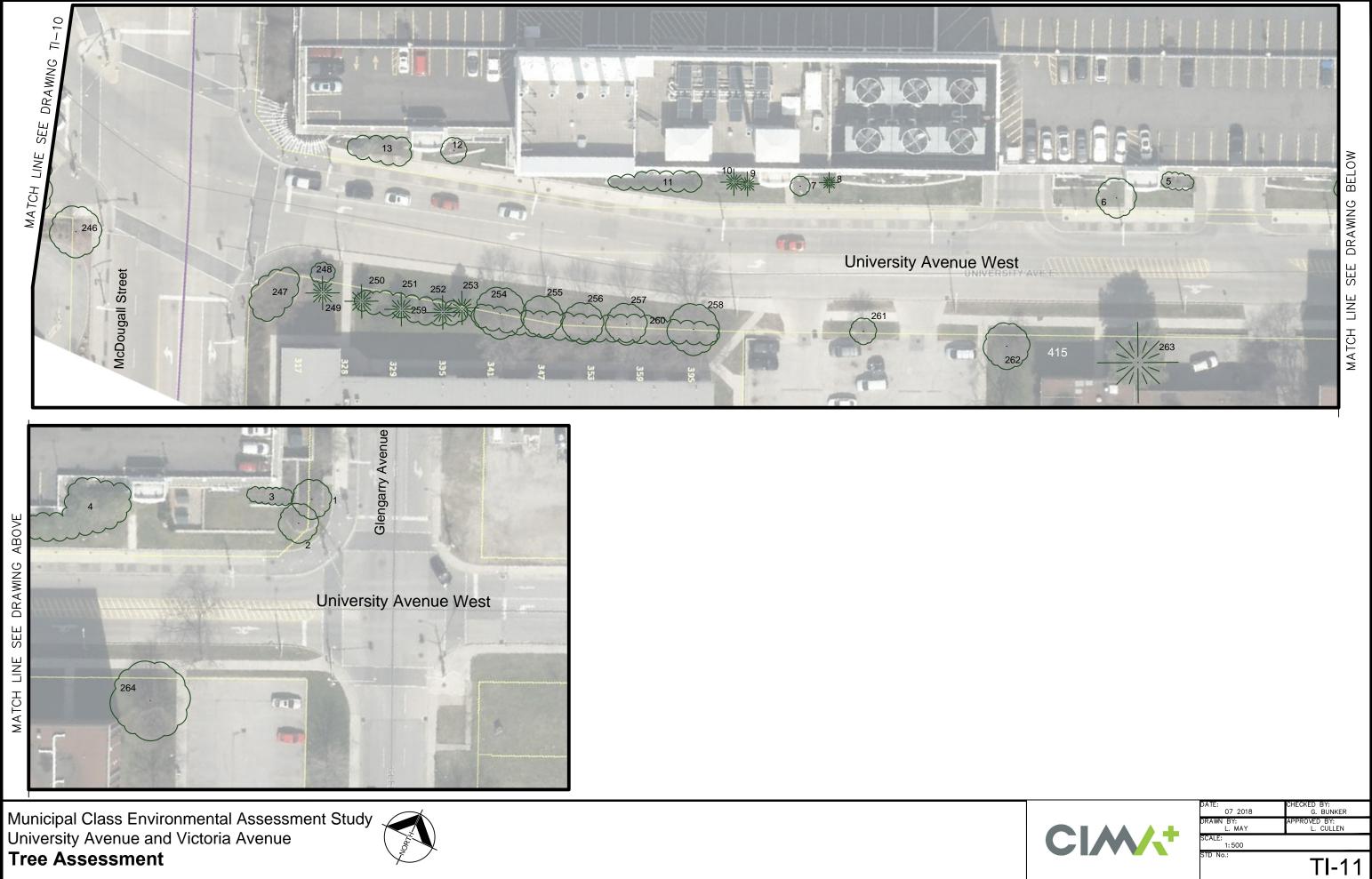
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#	name	name	(cm) * approx.	DBH (cm) * approx.	(m)	(D), (P), (F), (G), or (E)	GR	COD	NA	INCL	CRB	MBR	DPR	SMD	ADV	
1	Crabapple	Malus sp.	26	NA	6	G		1.5								
2	Crabapple	Malus sp.	24	NA	6	G		1.5								
3	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	10	NA	1.5	G										Beside retaining wall; par
4	Group		26	12-26	7	G										Nine multistem servicebe
5	Group		NA	NA	2	G										7 burning bushes in raised
6	Red oak	Quercus rubra	27	NA	6	G										Chlorotic
7	White fir	Abies concolor	20	NA	3	G										Slight lean east
8	Japanese maple	Acer palmatum	9	NA	3	G		0.3								
9	White fir	Abies concolor	22	NA	3.5	G		0.5								Shady and dieback on low
10	White fir	Abies concolor	20	11	4	G										Crown dieback lowest 2 n
11	Group		NA	NA	1	G										24 white cedar hedge 2 m
12	Japanese lilac	Syringa reticulata	5	5,5	4	G										Multistem
13	Group		15	NA	3.5	G										Multistem lilac; Colorado
14	Group		13	5-13	4-7	G										7 multistem lilac
15	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	50	NA	15	G		2					Х			Dripline 2 m over road
16	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	41	NA	15	G		2							x	Dripline 4 m over road
	Serviceberry	Amelanchier sp.	7	4-7	6	G										Multistem
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	18	NA	6	G						х			x	DBH measured at 1 m hei
19	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	9			G	Х									Some recent pruning
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	61	NA				2						x	x	
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	52	NA		G										Bark damage lower 1 m
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	52	NA		F-G										Cavity forming at base
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	52	NA		G							x			Dripline over sidewalk
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	52	NA		G										Crown 2 m over road
	English oak	Quercus robur	15			F-G		0.3						x		Columnar; bark damage t
																dieback
	English oak	Quercus robur	18			G								X		95% live crown
	English oak	Quercus robur	11	7,8		G										
28	Hackberry	Celtis occidentalis	5	NA	1.5	G										Irrigation bag
29	English oak	Quercus robur	17	NA	1.6	F-G										DBH measured at 1 m hei
30	Swamp white oak	Quercus bicolor	5	NA	1.5	G										Irrigation bag
31	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	5	NA	1.5	Р								Х		80% dieback; irrigation ba
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	24	NA		G		1.2					x	x		DBH measured at 1 m hei
	Crabapple	Malus sp.	19			G		1.6			х					Recent pruning evident
	Japanese lilac	Syringa reticulata	12		5 to 6	G		_								Tree form
	Japanese lilac	Syringa reticulata	12		5 to 6	G										Tree form
	Honey locust	<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	28		8 to 15	G		2								
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	24		8 to 15	G		2								
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	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	18		8 to 15	G		2								
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	33		8 to 15 8 to 15	G		3								

part of group of nine behind wall
eberries; ten white pine in raised planting bed
aised planting bed

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t 2 m
2 m tall

rado spruce

n height

age to 2 m height; three 0.3 m wounds; 10%

n height; Christmas lights throughout; 50% dieback

on bag n height; in raised bed nt

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41	Japanese maple	Acer palmatum	7	NA	2 to 3	F-G										Burn on leaves
42	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	4	NA	1	G										2 m tall
43	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	4	NA	1	G										
44	Schubert cherry	Prunus virginiana	6.5	NA	1	F-G		base								var. 'Schubert'; purple a
45	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	4	NA	1	G										
46	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	27	NA	8	G		1.3							Х	DBH measured at 1 m h
47	Austrian pine	Pinus nigra	31	NA	7	G										Sapsucker evidence
48	Austrian pine	Pinus nigra	30	NA	6	F										50% dieback; sapsucker
49	Austrian pine	Pinus nigra	30	NA	7	F										30% dieback; sapsucker
50	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	36	36	10	G		1.4								Overhangs sidewalk, gr
51	Group		NA	NA	2	G										Globe white cedar, yew
	Group		3	NA	1	G										Creeping juniper, poter
53	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	23	NA	5	G								Х		Staghorn effect
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	22	NA	7	G								х		0
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	22	5		G	Х									DBH measured at 1 m h
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	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	28	NA	8		X							x		DBH measured at 0.5 m
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	40	NA				1						x		DBH measured at 1 m h
	Austrian pine	Pinus nigra	31	NA	6			_								30% dieback
	Schubert cherry	Prunus virginiana	17	NA	-											var. 'Schubert'
	Group		NA	NA		G										11 boxwood, 4 yew, 6 c
63	Group		NA	NA	1	G										Low shrub-form juniper
	Group		7	NA	1	F-G										4 yew in poor condition
	Group		5	NA	1	F-G										2 yew, low shrub-form
	Common lilac	Syringa vulgaris	7	NA	1	P-F										Leaf scorch; green but s
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	26					2.5							v	Lean, overhanging road
	Group		NA	NA				2.5								1 Alberta spruce, 2 m ta
68	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	26	NA	7	G		2							x	Lean, overhanging road
	Group		NA	NA		G		2							^	2 yews, 2 creeping juni
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	26			G		2							v	Lean, overhanging road
	Hackberry	Celtis occidentalis	55					2							^	Lean, overhänging road
	Group		NA	NA				2								Japanese maple 1.5 m t
	Freeman maple	Acor y froomanii				G										Overhanging to middle
		Acer x freemanii	87	NA NA												
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	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	3	NA		G										Columnar; adjacent to l
	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	3	NA		G										Columnar; 3 m tall, 1 m
	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	3	NA		G										Columnar
	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	3	NA 10		G										Columnar
/8	Group		13	10	8	G				l	l	l	l	l	X	Lean

le and green reversion

n height; slight lean

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green but severely wilted

ew, juniper in raised bed

tentilla, spirea, Japanese maple, 2 junipers

n height

n height 5 m height; mechanical damage n height; mechanical damage

6 columnar cedar, spirea, black-eyed Susans,

per, yew tion, 1 lilac green but wilted rm juniper, yucca, lilac green but wilted ut severely wilted bad 2 m

tall, 5 cm DBH; 1 weeping white spruce, 1 m tall

ad 2 m nipers, 2 spirea ad 2 m

m tall, small euonymus shrubs Ile of street

to building

m wide

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79	Group		NA	NA	. 1	G										4 yew, creeping juniper
80	White cedar	Thuja occidentalis	4	NA	1	G										Corner of picket fence;
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	89			G										Wounds with internal d
	Group		NA			G										4 tree-form junipers 2 r
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	30			G		3								
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	43	NA												2 m over road
	, Norway maple	Acer platanoides	26			F-G								Х		15% die back
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	39			G		2						X	x	Lean towards road
	, Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	30			F					X			Х		Bark damage at base, 2
	Horse-chestnut	Aesculus hippocastanum	67	NA		G		3								Overhanging street by 2
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	87	NA										X		Overhanging street by 2
	Group		2	1	0.5											11 1.3 m tall saplings: 2 1 red oak, 3 hackberry,
90	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	91	NA	. 15	G		4								Minor bark damage on
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	87	NA		G										Minor bark damage on
	Group		NA			G										2 shrubs 3 m wide and 2
	Japanese lilac	Syringa reticulata	6													Tree form
	White birch	Betula papyrifera	30					0.5	Х	Х	x			X		15% dieback, lean towa
	White birch	Betula papyrifera	27	NA		G		2								
	Red elm	Ulmus rubra	81	66				?								Overhanging street by 2
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	31	NA		G		3								Overhanging street by 1
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	40			G		2						X		Overhanging street by 3
								_								Some bark decay on str
99	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	38	NA	7	G									X	Some bark decay on str
100	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	65	NA	14	G		4								Overhanging street by 5
101	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	24	NA	7	G	X	1.5								
102	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	31	NA	7	G	Х									
103	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	31	NA	7	G										
104	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	37	NA	7	G	Х	2								
105	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	8	NA	2.5	G										Two 0.2 m wounds on l
106	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	8	NA	2.5	G										
107	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	8	NA												
108	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	8	NA	2.5	G										
109	Common lilac	Syringa vulgaris	NA	NA		G										Multistem; 2 m wide an
110	Sugar maple	Acer saccharum	11	NA	4	G								Х		A few broken branches;
	Red oak	Quercus rubra	8											x		Significant bark peeling
																dead.
	Red oak	Quercus rubra	10	NA		F								X		90% dieback; split-gill fu
	Sugar maple	Acer saccharum	23			Р								X		likely
114	Red oak	Quercus rubra	17	NA	4	G										Chlorotic; under overhe

per, 2 Schubert cherry shrubs in landscape bed

e; 1 m wide, 2 m tall I decay, structurally sound 2 m tall and 1 m wide

, 20% dieback y 2 m y 2 m : 2 hickory, 1 sycamore, 1 white oak, y, 3 blue beech on lower 2 m, overhanging street by 3 m on lower 0.2 m, overhanging street by 3m of 2 m tall

wards street

y 2 m y 1 m y 3 m street side to 2m street side 3m y 5 m

n lower trunk with woundwood

and 2 m tall es; leaf scorch ng 50% circumference. Staghorn effect. Leader

I fungus brackets throughout tree, further decline

rhead wires

Tree	Common	Scientific	DBH Add'I Spread Condition													
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115	Crabapple	Malus sp.	9	NA	2	G										Chlorotic; under overhe
116	Cottonwood	Populus deltoides	89	NA	14	F								x		Broken leader at 6 m h
														,		at base next to asphalt
117	Colorado spruce	Picea pungens	23	NA	3	G										Leader (top 1 m) bendi
118	Red elm	Ulmus rubra	82	NA	16	F-G							X		X	Some wounds with wo
119	Austrian pine	Pinus nigra	31	NA	8	G										Sapsucker holes
120	Austrian pine	Pinus nigra	33	NA	8	G										Phototropic to street; o
121	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	61	NA	10	G										Overhangs street by 2 i
122	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	61	NA	12	G										Small cavity at ground
123	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	59	NA	12	G										Lion tailing from 4-sten
124	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	57	NA	10	G	X									
125	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	49	NA	10	G										
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	76	NA	12	G		2							Х	Frass leading into small
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	49					2								Buried trunk flare
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	35			G	x 1.5								Х	
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	54					2								Overhangs street by 7 i
	Tree of heaven	Ailanthus altissimia	60					5							X	Overhangs street by 1 i
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	55											x		
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	4	NA		G										Immediately adjacent t
	Hackberry	Celtis occidentalis	6			G										Staked; newly planted
	Silver maple	Acer saccharinum	39					1.5							x	Some water sprouts pr
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	18			G		0.5								
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	6			G`										Staked
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	6	NA		G										Staked
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	66					3								
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	70			_								x	x	Overhangs street by 3 i
	London planetree	Platanus x acerifolia	75													Overhangs sidewalk by
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	71	NA												Overhangs street by 3
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	77					6						х		Overhangs street by 5
	Crabapple	Malus sp.	17	NA				0						X	x	overhangs street by 51
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	35			G		2.5								
	Kentucky coffeetree	Gymnocladus dioicus	8	NA		G		2.5								
	European beech	Fagus sylvatica	12													Weeping
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	43					1								weeping
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	41	NA				3								
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	34					2								Slight lean over sidewa
		Acer platanoides						2								Singlit lear over sidewa
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	26 29					1.8								
	Norway maple															
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	44			_		3								Clight loop toward side
	Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa	18			G										Slight lean toward side
154	Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa	23	NA	. 6	P-F										70% dieback; bark begi

rhead wires

n height; overhangs street by 1 m; dead fungal conks alt

nding towards road

woundwood to 2 m. Overhangs street by 6 m.

et; dieback on other side; sapsucker holes 2 m nd to 0.5 m height tem crotch

nall cavity at base

7 m 1 m; inside chainlink fence

nt to Bell telephone pedestal ed with no mulch and exposed feeder roots pruned and tied back to tree from sidewalk

3 m just inside fence by 1 m 3 m 5 m

walk

dewalk eginning to peel

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#	name	name	(cm) * approx.	DBH (cm) * approx.	(m)	(D), (P), (F), (G), or (E)	GR	COD	NA	INCL	CRB	MBR	DPR	SMD	ADV	
155	Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa	33	NA	6	P-F		1.5								70% dieback; bark begir
156	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	26	NA	8	G	х									
157	Crabapple	Malus sp.	32	22, 26	7	F		1					Х		Х	40% dieback; poor strue
158	Silver maple	Acer saccharinum	32	28, 28	9	F-G		1			Х					Pruning evident; heavy
159	White mulberry	Morus alba	35	NA	9	G										Overhang sidewalk by 2
160	Red oak	Quercus rubra	12	NA	3	G										
161	Red oak	Quercus rubra	14	NA	3	G		2								
162	Red oak	Quercus rubra	20	NA	3	P-F										60% dieback; chlorotic
163	Red oak	Quercus rubra	18	NA	3	F										Chlorotic
164	Cottonwood	Populus deltoides	65	NA	8	G										Overhang street by 2 m
165	Cottonwood	Populus deltoides	85	NA	10	G		3								Overhang street by 2 m
166	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	15	NA	6	G		1.3								DBH measured at 1 m h
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	15	NA		G		3								
	English oak	Quercus robur	35	NA		G										Overhangs sidewalk by
	Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa	33	30		G		base								Overhangs sidewalk by
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	8	NA		G		Juse								Trunk buried in 0.3 m o
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	8	NA		G									х	Trunk buried in 0.3 m o
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	8	NA										х		Trunk buried in 0.3 m o
			C													Overhangs sidewalk by
173	Silver maple	Acer saccharinum	54	NA	10	F										damage at 1 m in 2 area
174	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	24	NA	8	G	х									Overhangs street by 2 n
	Crabapple	Malus sp.	26	21	9	F-G	~	1						x	х	20% dieback
	Sugar maple	Acer saccharum	15	NA				-							Î.	20% dieback
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	93	NA				6								
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	56	NA		_		2						х	х	Pruned to avoid overhe
179	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	57	NA	13	F-G		3							х	Pruned similar to Tree 1
180	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	59	NA	13	F-G		3							х	Pruned similar to Tree 1
181	Group		NA	NA	1	G										2 shrubs 1 m wide and 2
	Silver maple	Acer saccharinum	98	NA	14	G										Overhangs street by 1 n
	Common lilac	Syringa vulgaris	NA	NA		G										3 m wide and 2 m tall
	Freeman maple	Acer x freemanii	94	NA		G								х	х	Chain included into tree
	Yew	Taxus sp.	20	17, 18		G										Multistem; on property
	Japanese Maple	Acer palmatum	16	15		G		0.2						х		On property line; 1 m o
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	31	NA				_								
	Crabapple	Malus sp.	8	NA				1.5								30% dieback
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	39	NA											х	Overhangs sidewalk by
	Tree of heaven	Ailanthus altissimia	41	24				base							x	Small co-dominant sten
	Red elm	Ulmus rubra	84	NA				2							x	

ginning to peel. Black fungus on bark

ructure; woundwood vy chain included in crotch of tree y 2 m

m; lion tailing; grown clear of overhead wires

m; lion tailing; grown clear of overhead wires

n height

by 1 m by 2 m n of mulch n of mulch n of mulch by 2 m; many surface roots; 40% dieback; bark reas 2 m

head wires; overhangs street by 4 m at 3 m height

e 178; overhangs street by 5 m at 3 m height

e 178; pruned with no overhang ad 1 m tall 1 m I ree at 1 m height rty line; 1 m overhang over sidewalk

by 2 m; pruned for overhead wires tem broken at 2 m height

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192	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	35	NA	10	G										var. 'Crimson King'
193	Japanese lilac	Syringa reticulata	22	NA	6	G										Tree form
194	Magnolia	Magnolia sp.	13	8	5	G										Multistem; crown raise
195	Magnolia	Magnolia sp.	13	10, 11	35	G										Multistem; crown raise
196	Red Elm	Ulmus rubra	28	NA	9	G									х	Lean towards road
197	Red cedar	Juniperus virginiana	37	NA	7	G										Canopy reaches sidewa
198	Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa	75	NA	11	G		2.5							х	
199	Group		9	< 10	< 2	G										3 juniper; 2 euonymus; multistem white mulbe
200	Group		18	13	4	G		0.5								1 Japanese maple; 1 sm bush; 1 nest spruce
201	Group		NA	NA	1	G										3 Alberta spruce 1 m wi
202	Catalpa	Catalpa speciosa	96	NA	11	G		2								Lean over side street, w
203	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	34	30	8	F-G		base								Some decay in crotch; v
204	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	32	NA	10	G		2								
205	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	75	NA	18	G										Overhangs street by 4 r
206	Group		NA	NA	1	G										Japanese barberry; pote boxwood; 1 burning bu
207	White mulberry	Morus alba	25	NA	4	G		1.5								Weeping; seams in trun
	Group		NA	NA												4 junipers; 1 boxwood;
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	18	NA												var. 'Crimson King'; 40%
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	19	NA	6	G	х									var. 'Crimson King'
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	22	NA		G	х									var. 'Crimson King'; wou
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	38	NA											х	
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	36	NA	10	G									х	Overhangs street at 2 m
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	35	NA												Overhangs street at 2 m
	Group		26	15, 18												White cedar specimen, (1.5 m wide and 1.5 m t cedar (2 m wide and 1 r
216	Group	Ailanthus altissimia	28	15-28	10	G										4 tree of heaven: 3 have
	English oak	Quercus robur	16	NA		F-G								х		20% dieback, Christmas
	English oak	Quercus robur	12	11		F-G										15% dieback, Christmas
	English oak	Quercus robur	22	NA		G										Christmas lights throug
	Red oak	Quercus rubra	5	NA		D										Irrigation bag present
	Hackberry	Celtis occidentalis	5	NA		Р										Irrigation bag present
	, Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	6	NA		G										Irrigation bag present
	Eastern redbud	Cercis canadensis	10	NA		G										DBH measured at 1 m h
	Eastern redbud	Cercis canadensis	9	NA		G										
	Eastern redbud	Cercis canadensis	11												х	Girdled

sed to 2 m sed to 2 m

walk

us; 1 spirea l; 1 Mugho pine; 1 white cedar; 1 lberry smokebush; 5 holly; 2 boxwood; 2 spirea; 1 burning

wide and 1.5 m tall , with 3m clearance

h; woundwood @ 1m; growing through OH wires

4 m

otentilla; 3 euonymus; 1 Alberta spruce; 3 bush; 1 hydrangea; 1 short white cedar cultivar

unk to 1m height d; 2 white cedars 0% dieback

voundwood lower scaffold branches

2 m height 2 m height

n,

m tall) euonymus (3 m wide and 1.5 m tall), 2 globe 1 m tall), cedar (1.5 m wide and 2 m tall)

ave 1 or 2 stems, 1 has 3 stems has lights throughout crown ughout crown t t t t n height

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226	Group	Euonymus alatus, Spirea sp.	NA	NA	1	G										1 burning bush, 28 spir
227	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	39	NA	. 8	G		2			х					
228	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	45	NA	. 8	F-G		2								10% dieback
229	European beech	Fagus sylvatica	10	NA	3	G										Columnar
230	Group		NA	NA	1	G										11 spirea, 22 potentilla
231	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	41	NA	10	F-G	х									Dead leader, 10% dieb
232	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	41	NA	10	G	х									
233	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	24	NA	. 8	G		2								
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	19	NA	8	G		2								
	, Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	20	NA		G		2								
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	20	NA		G		1.8								
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	17	NA		G										
	Group	Amelanchier laevis	NA	NA		G										4 multistem serviceber
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	37	NA		G		1.8	х	х		х				
	Group		NA	NA		G										66 spirea, 10 burning b
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	10	NA		G										<u> </u>
	Group	Euonymus alatus	NA	NA												2 burning bush 1.5 m t
	Group	Spirea sp.	NA	NA		G										1 m tall shrubs
	Callery pear	Pyrus calleryana	20	NA												
	Red maple	Acer rubrum	16	NA		G										Chlorotic; seam from b
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	15	NA		G				х	х					6 yews; spirea
	Group		12	8-12		G				^	^					5 crabapples with base
	Group	Euonymus alatus	NA	NA		G										5 burning bush
	White spruce	Picea glauca	17	NA		G										5 burning bush
	White spruce	Picea glauca	17	NA		G										
	Colorado spruce	Picea pungens	17	NA		G										
	Colorado spruce		17	NA		G										East lean
	Colorado spruce	Picea pungens	17	NA		G										Lean on east
	Littleleaf linden	Picea pungens Tilia cordata	54	NA		-		4							х	Lean on east
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	29	NA			v	4							^	
							X	2								
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	31	NA			Х	2								
	Norway maple	Acer platanoides	27	NA				2						v		
	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	56	NA		G		2						Х		Lladge under Trees 250
	Burning bush	Euonymus alatus	NA	NA		G										Hedge under Trees 250
	Group		NA	NA		G										Currant hedge and bur
	Littleleaf linden	Tilia cordata	23	NA		G			Х	Х				v	V	Rotting heartwood up
	Crabapple	Malus sp.	25	NA		G		2						Х	х	
	Austrian pine	Pinus nigra	49	NA		G										Sapsucker holes
264	Honey locust	Gleditsia triacanthos	47	NA	. 12	G		3								15% dieback, slight lea

pirea
lla
eback
erry 3 m tall and 3 m wide
g bush all in 1 m tall planter
n tall
base to 1.5 m with woundwood
se planting of 50% yews, 50% rose

250-254; 1.5 m tall ourning bush ending at Tree 258 up to 1 m height

ean southbound

Tree #	Common name	name	DBH		Spread	(D), (P), (F),	Structural Defects							
			(cm) * approx.		(m)		COD	NA	INCL	CRB	MBR	DPR	SMD	ADV

Legend - Structural Defects

**GR** Girdling roots

**COD** Co-dominant stems

**NA** Narrow branch angles

INCL Included bark

**CRB** Crossing branches

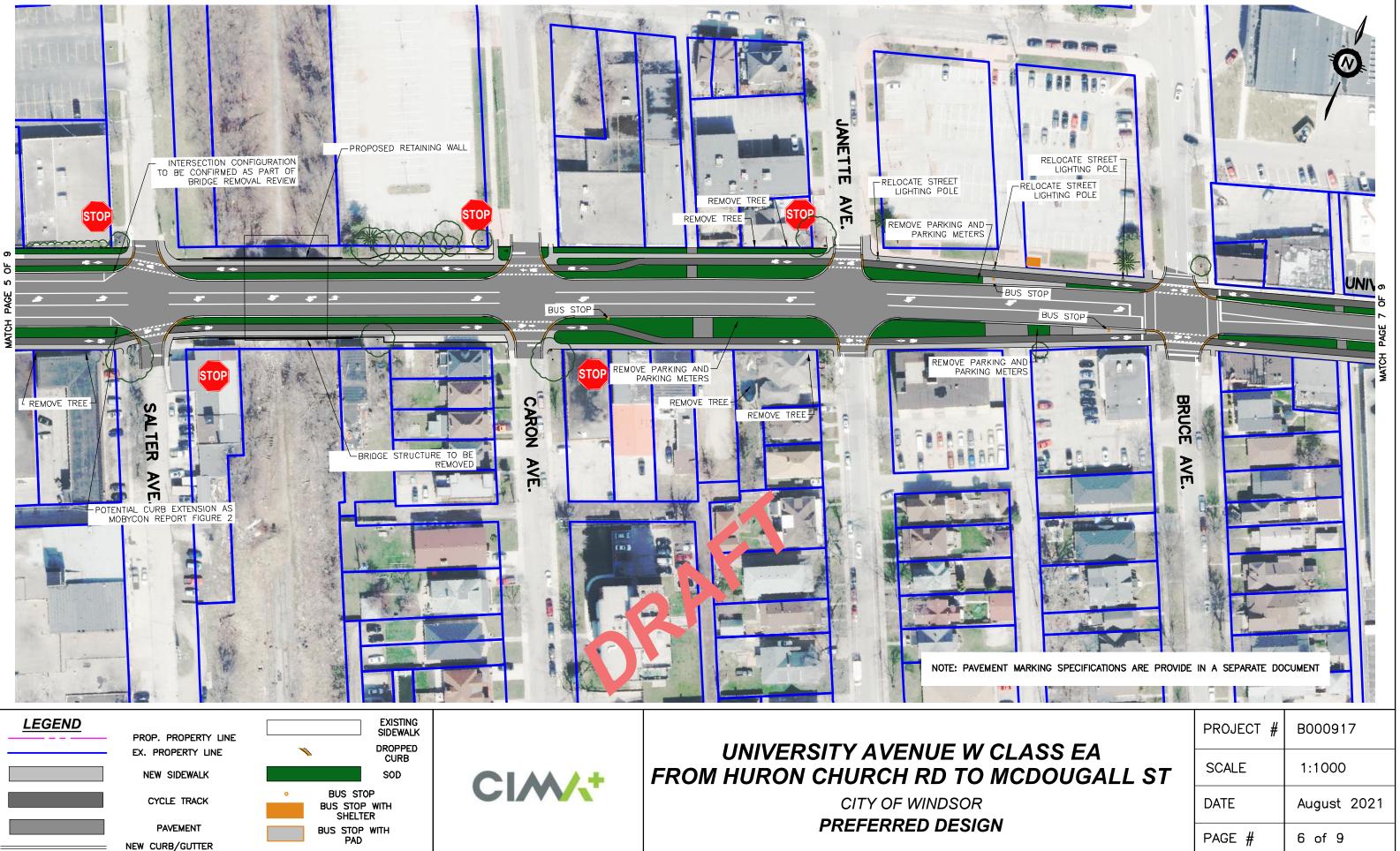
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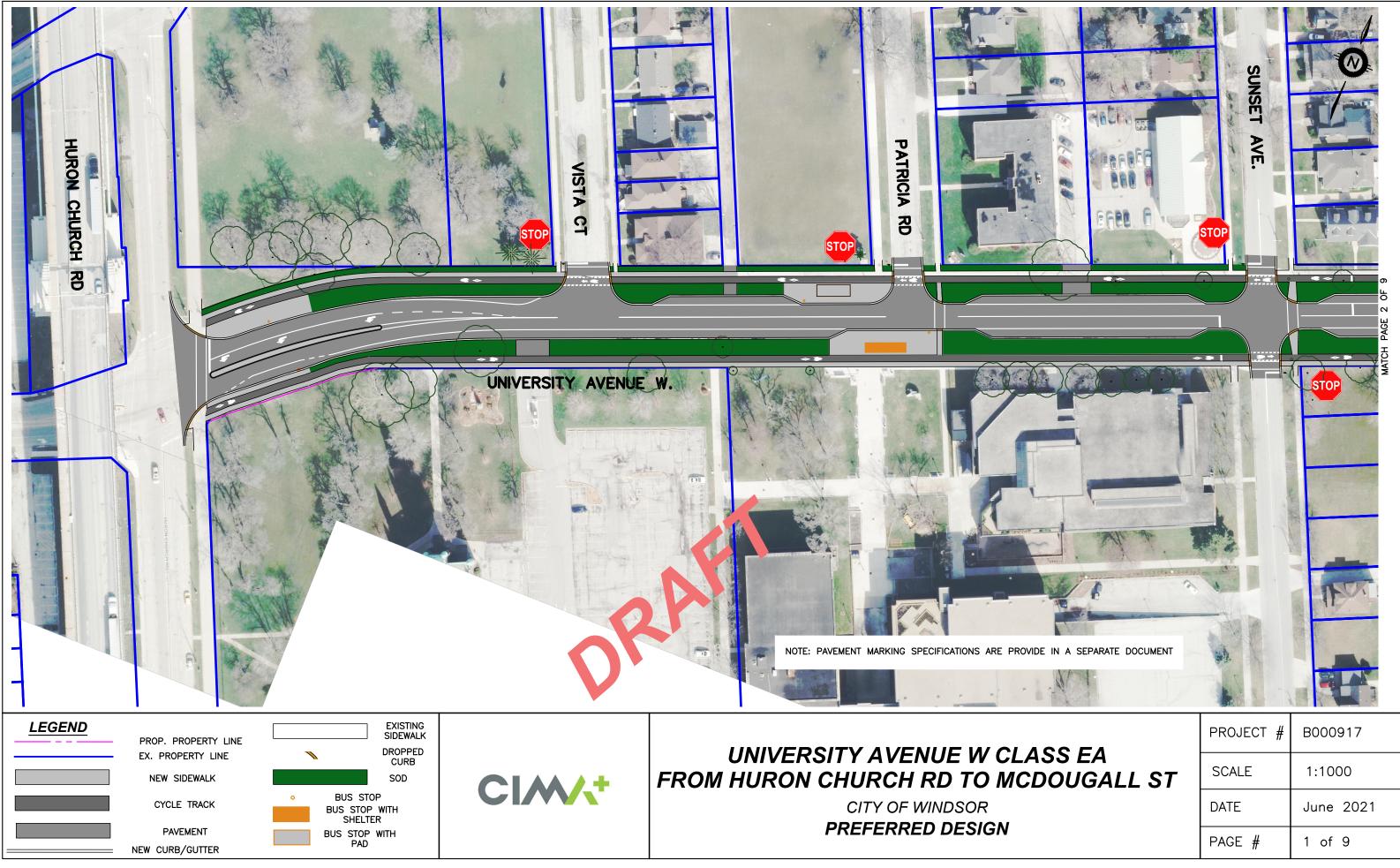
**DPR** Decay at pruning wounds

SMD Small dead branches

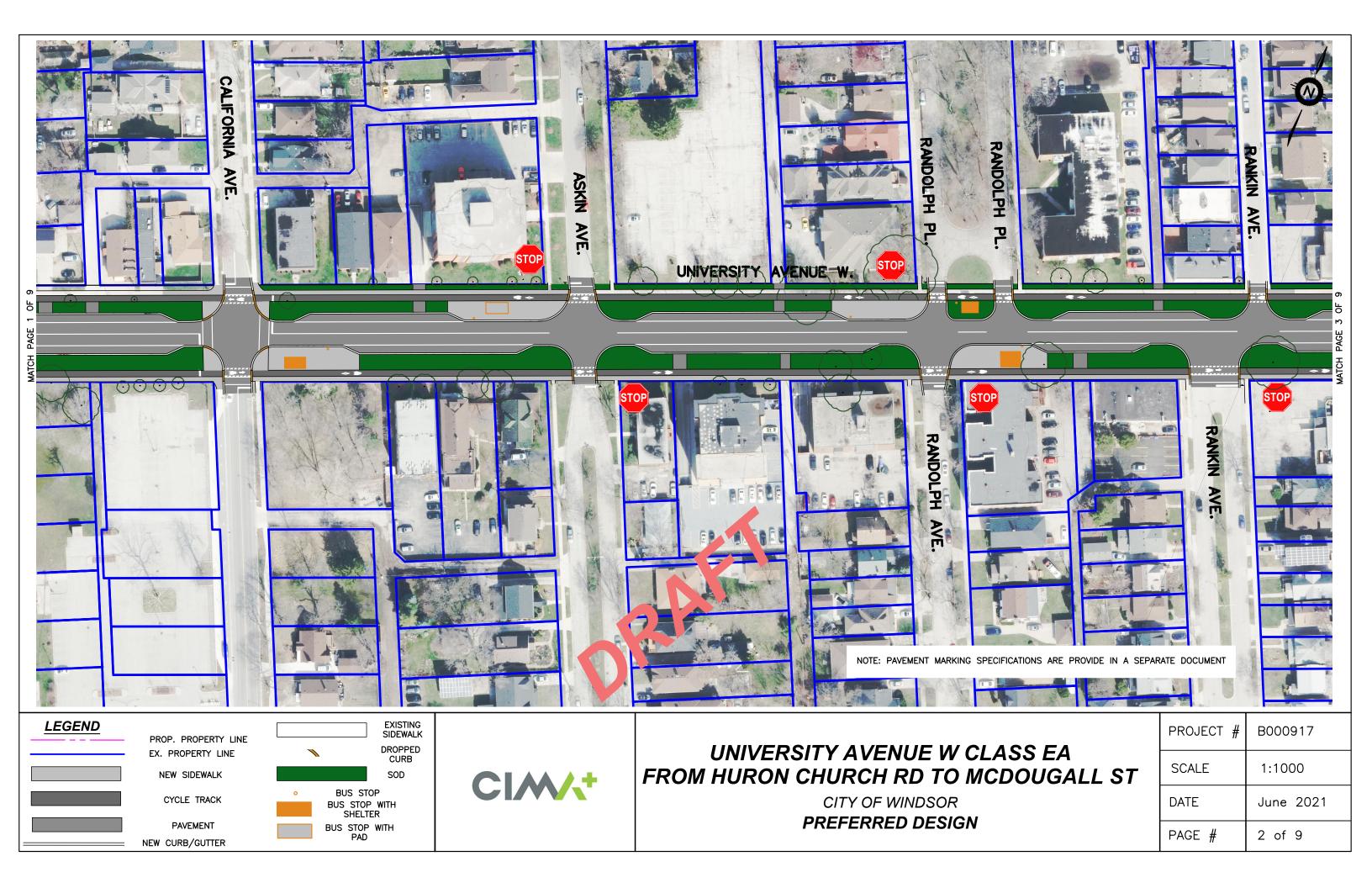
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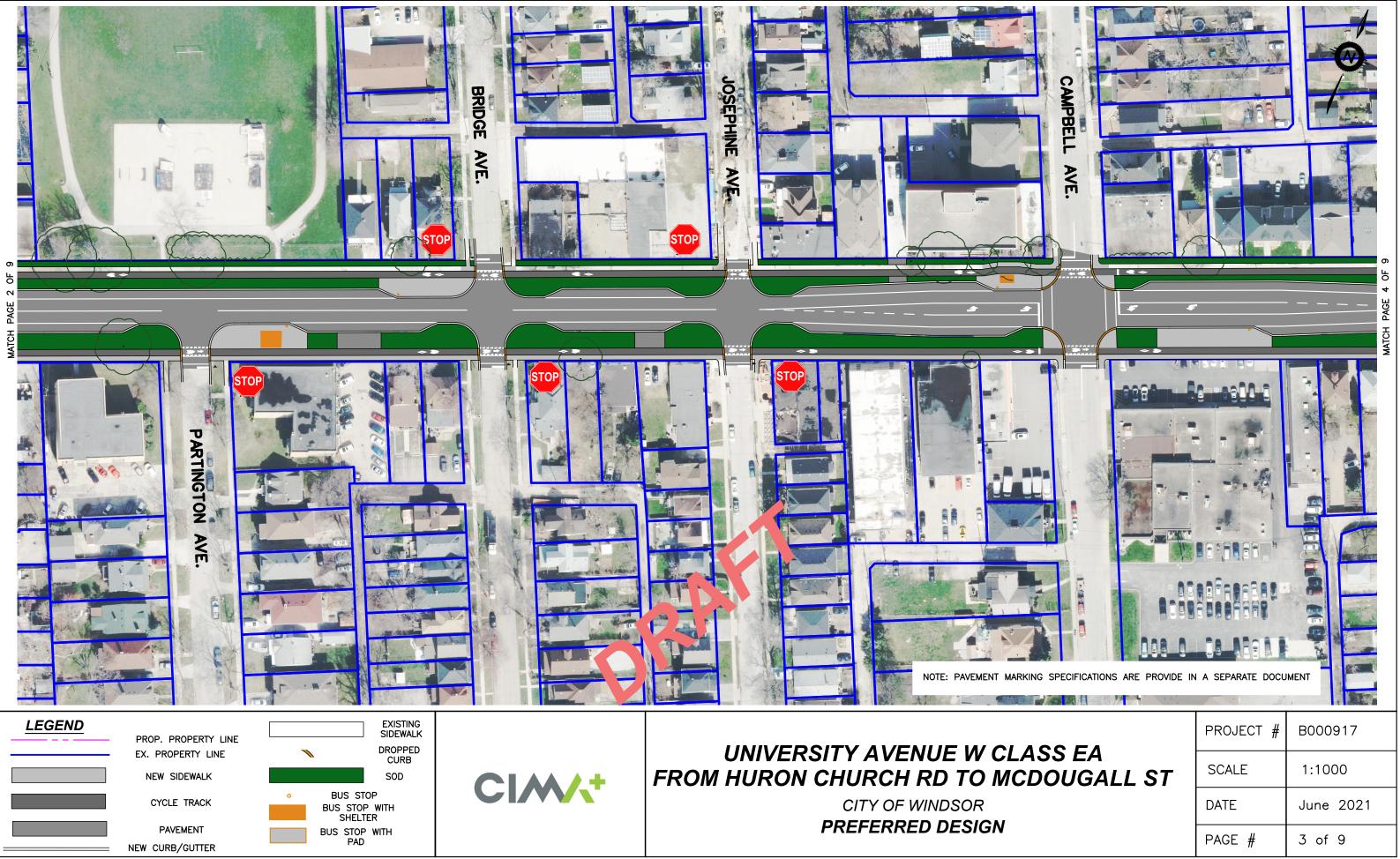
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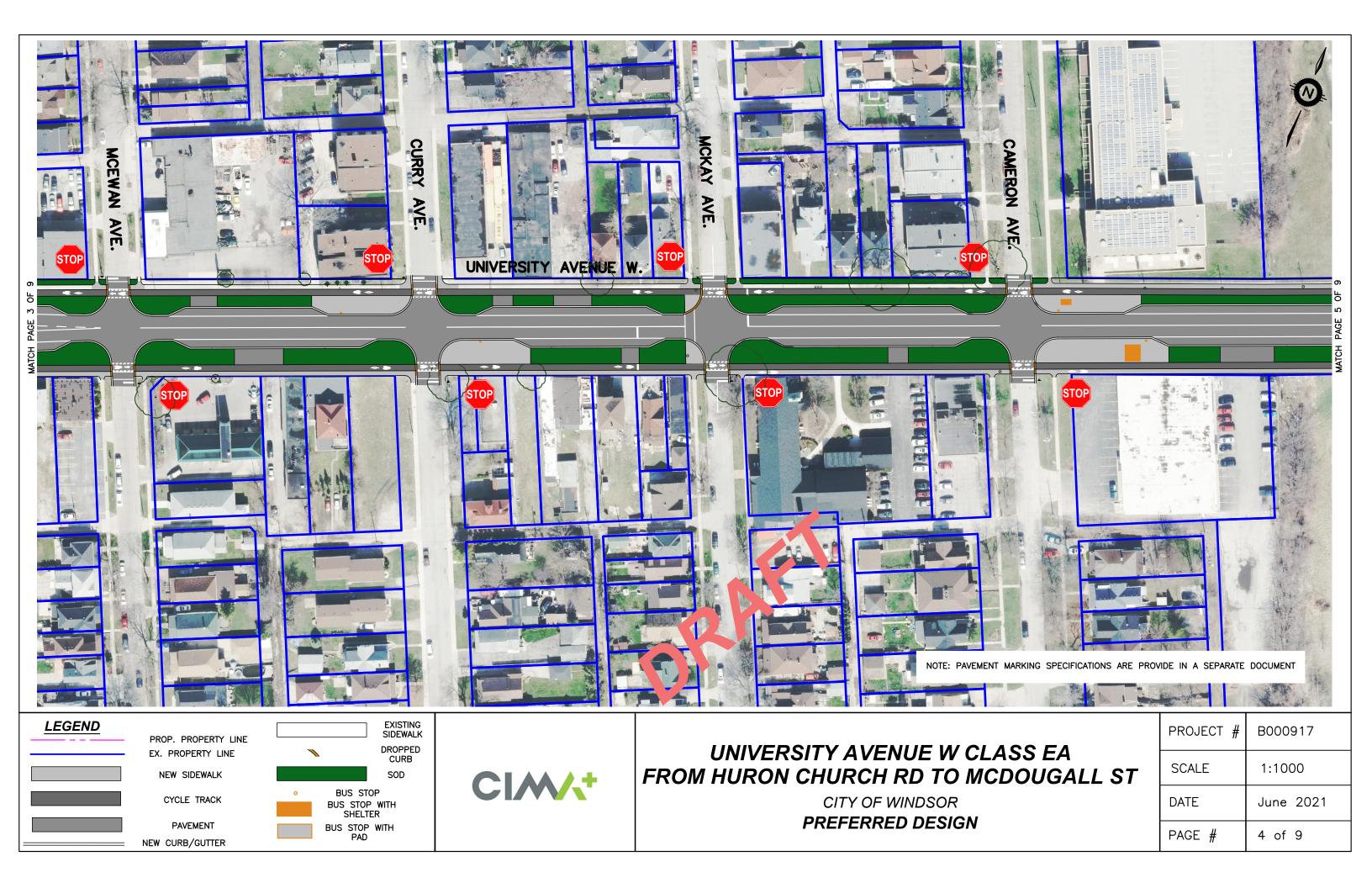


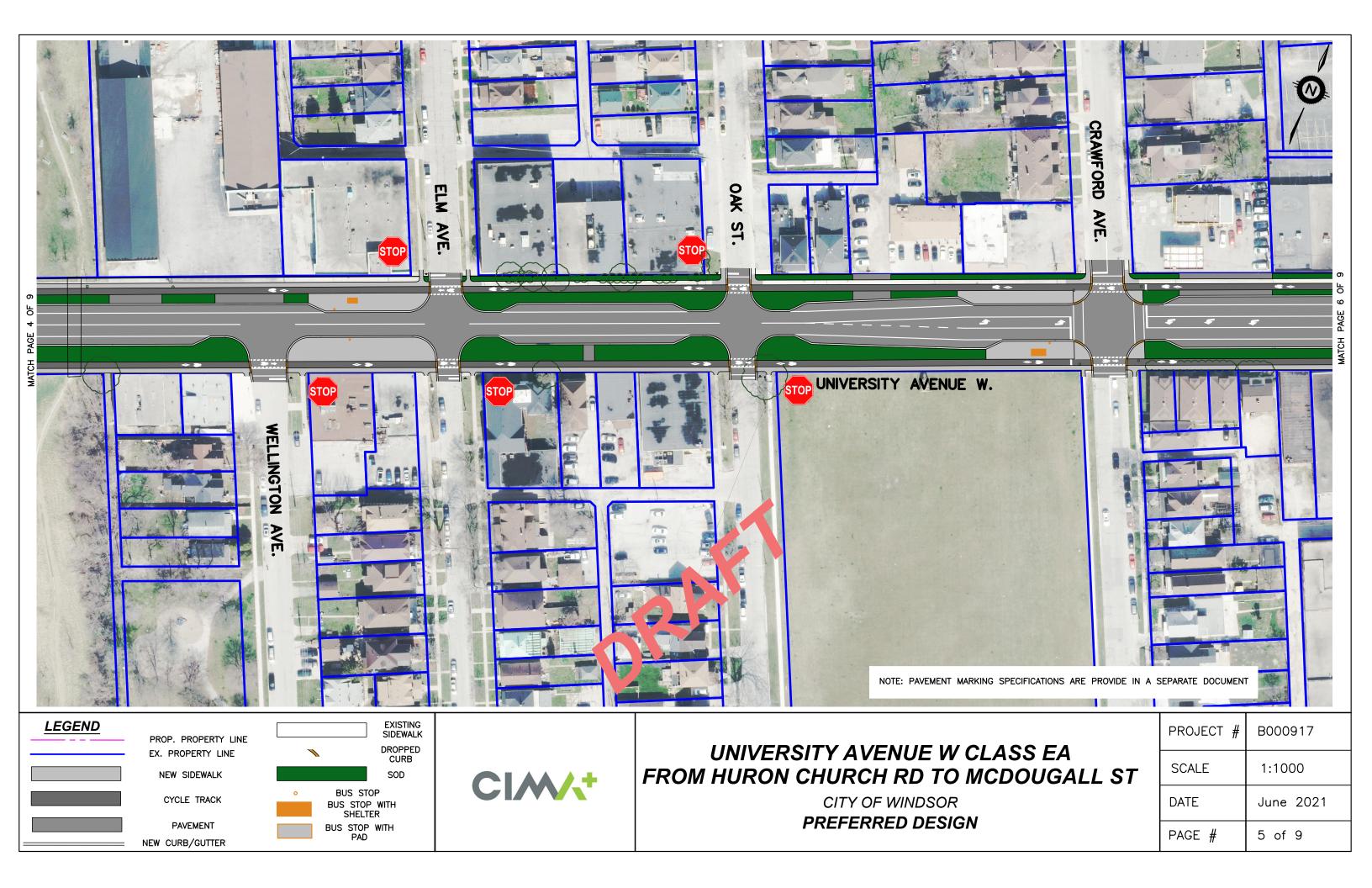
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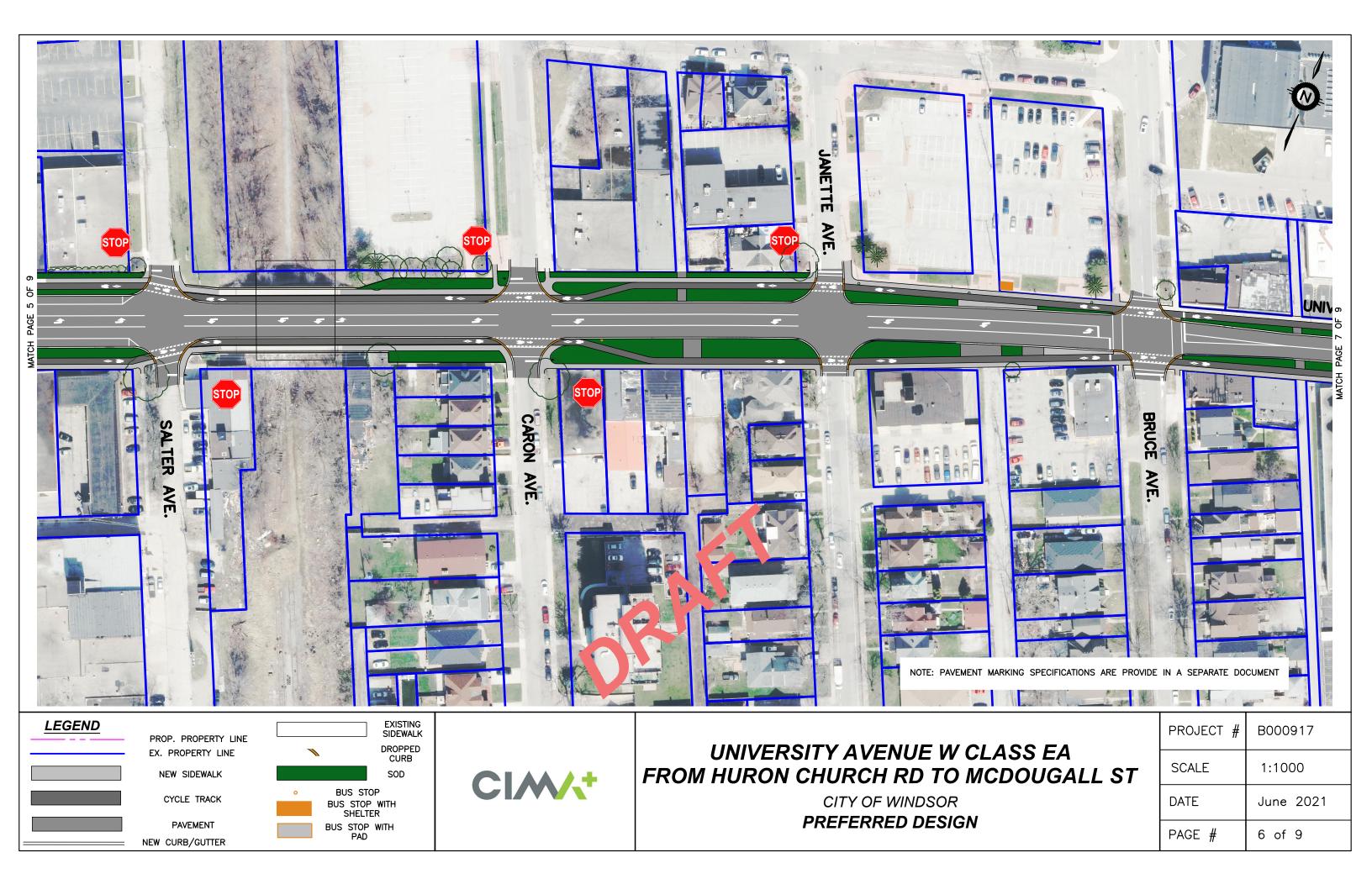


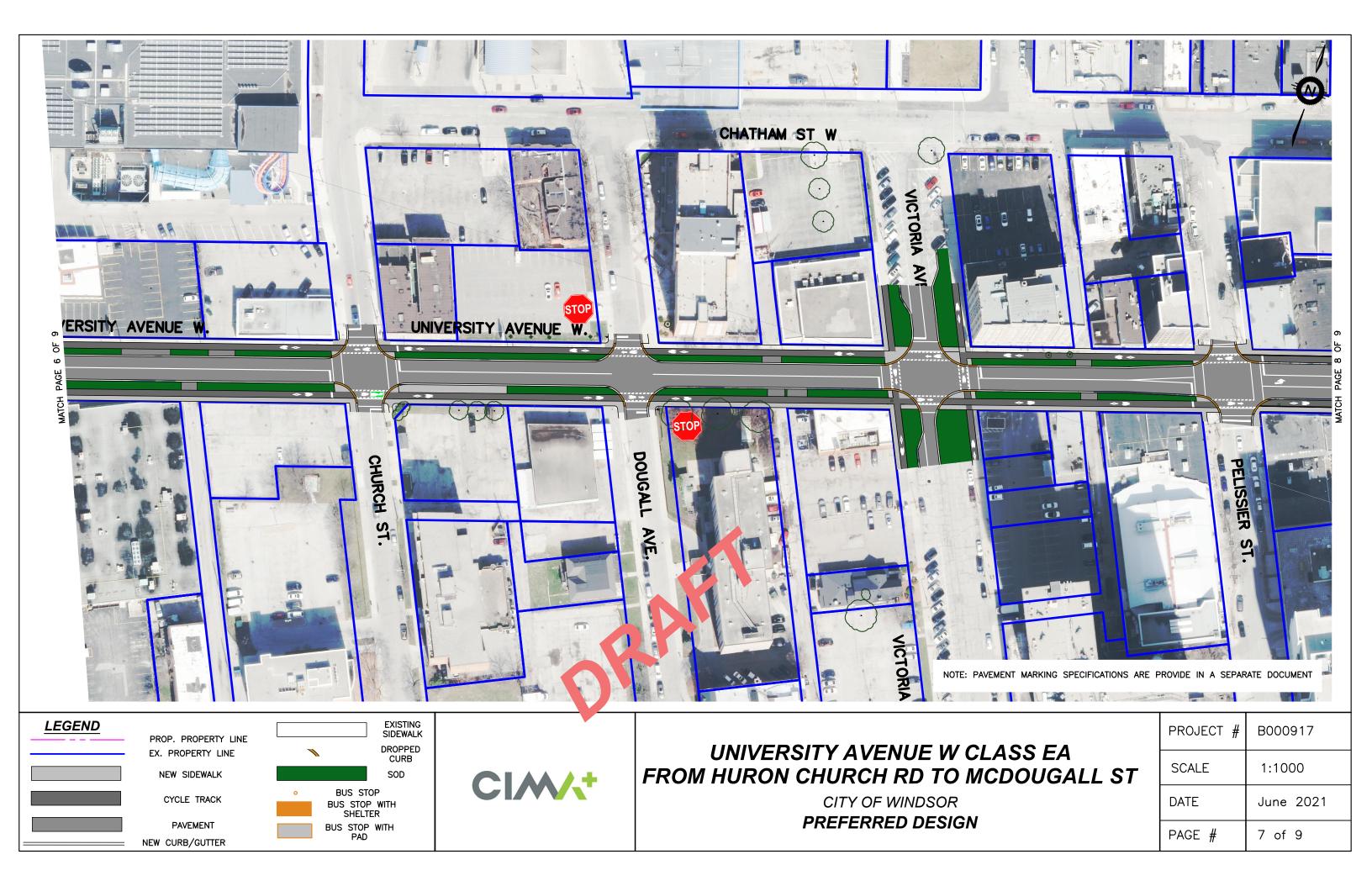


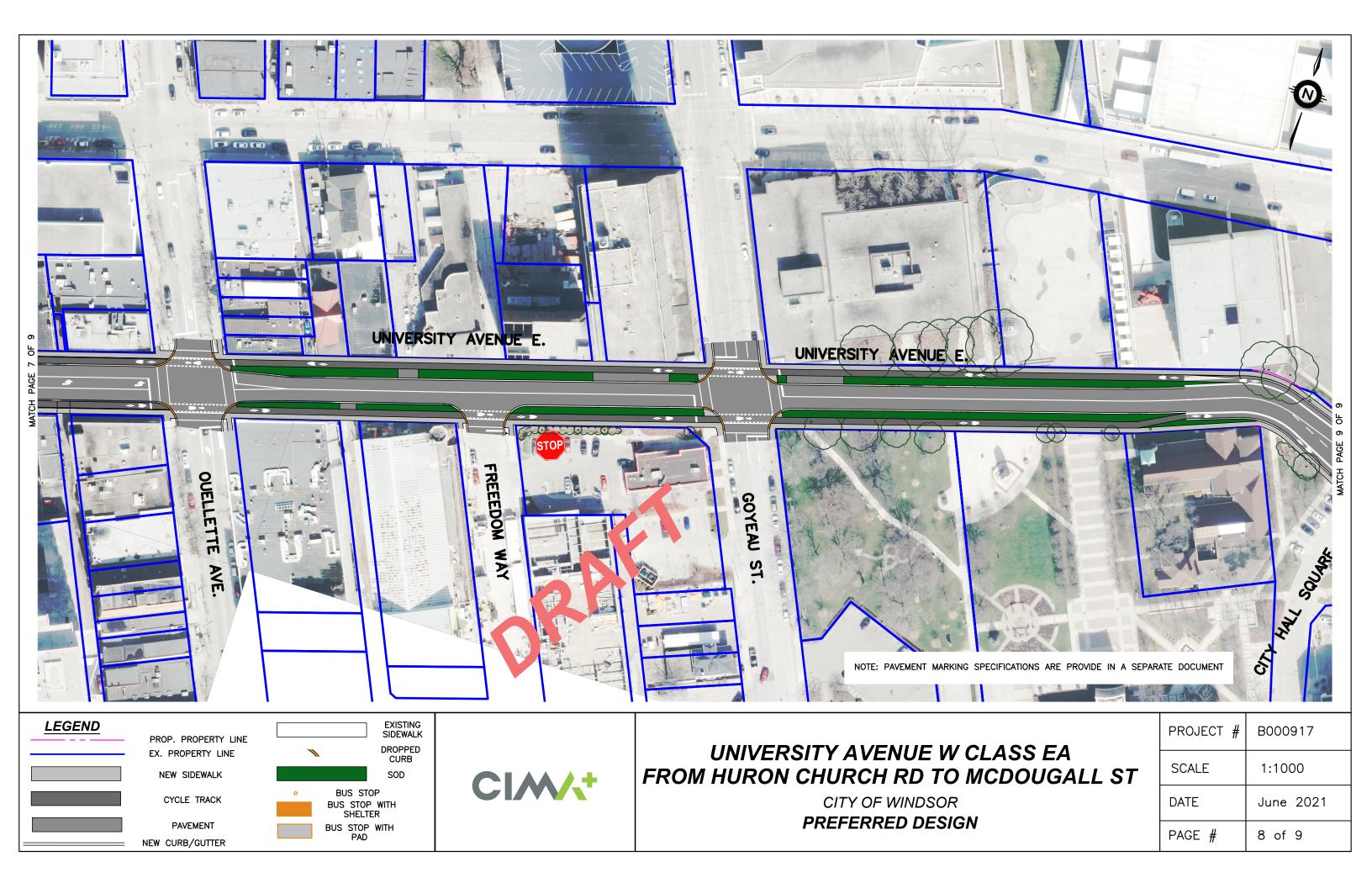
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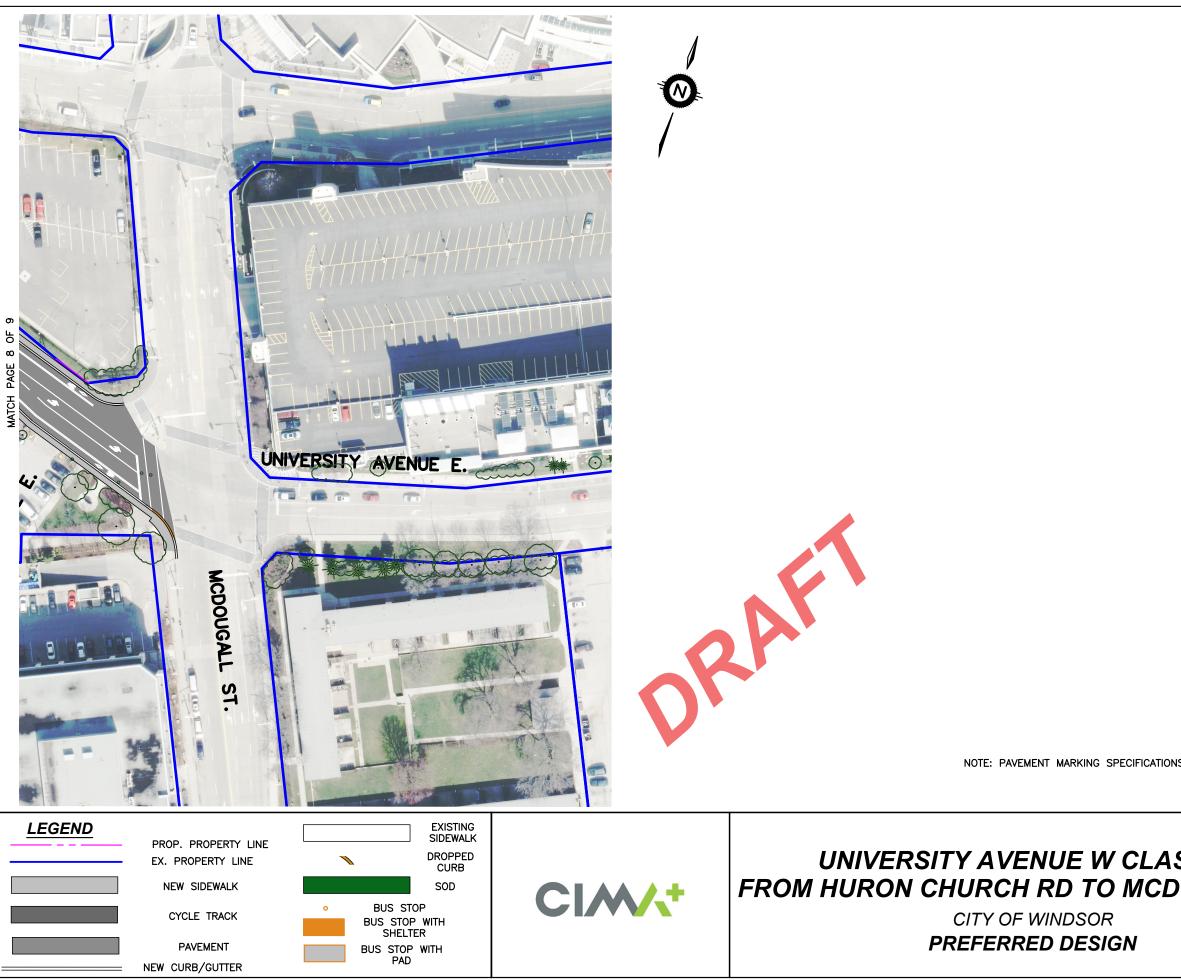






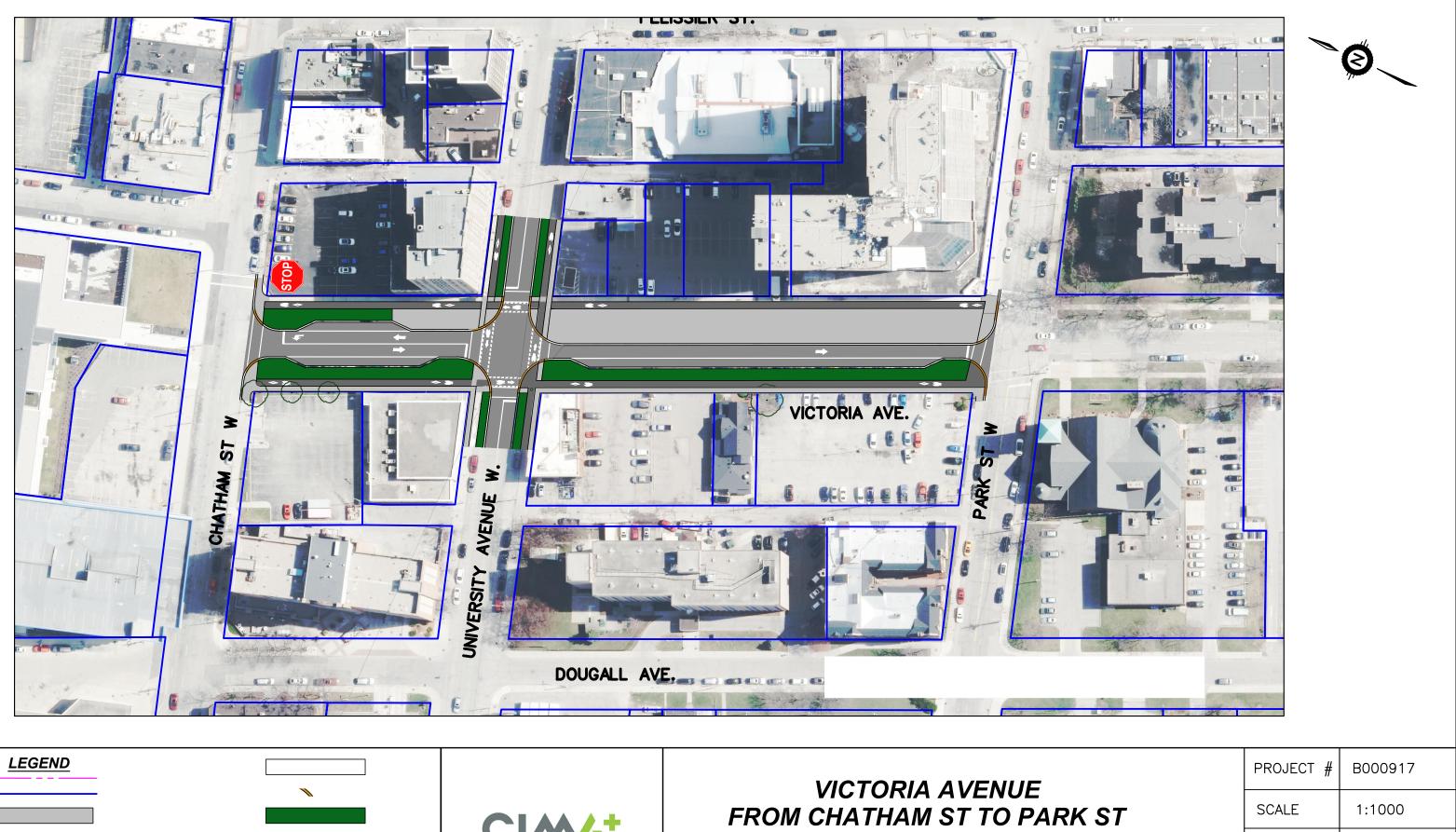






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