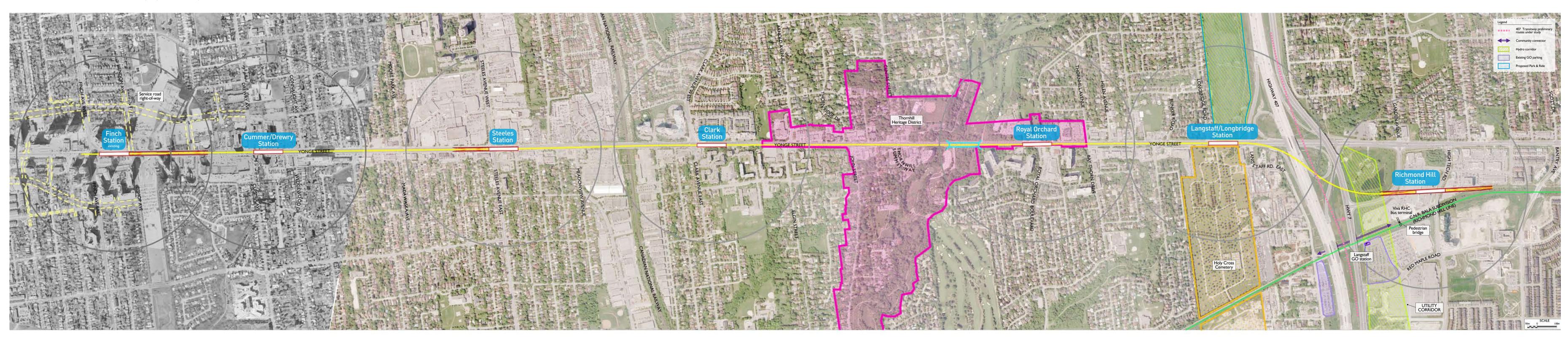
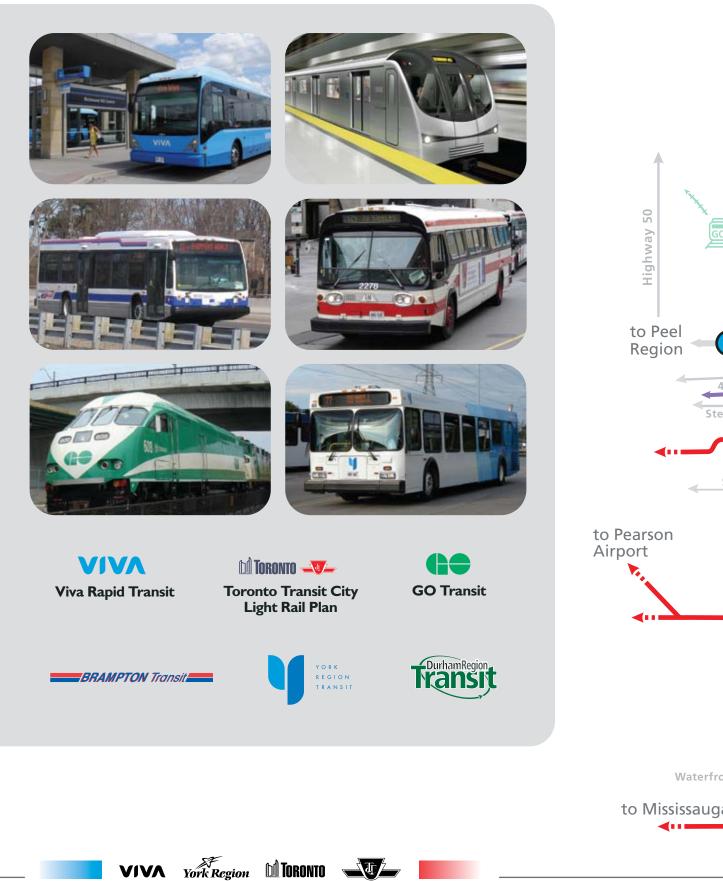
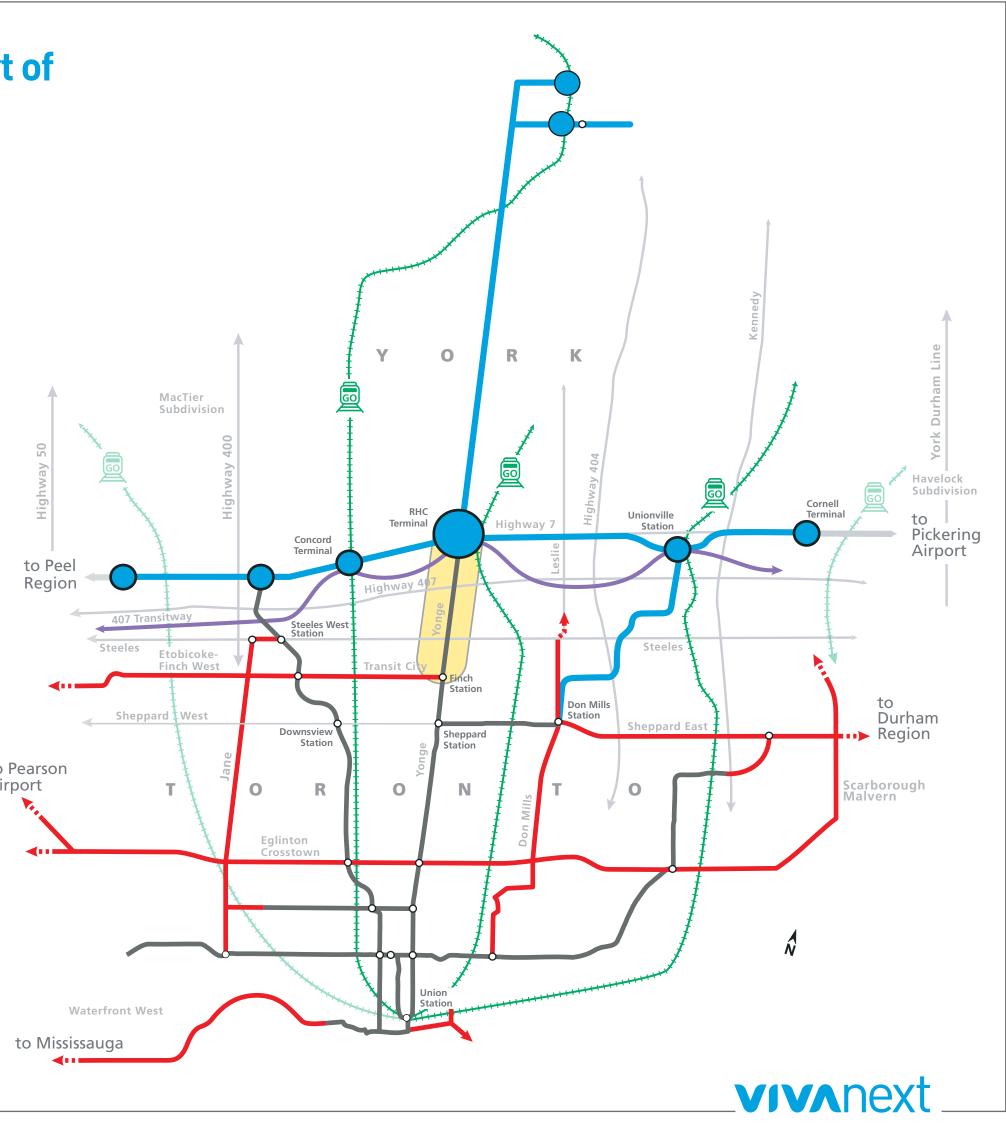
#### Yonge subway extension: concept plan and profile





# The yonge subway extension is part of a GTA-wide transit system





#### Metrolinx | the big move



Yonge subway extension ~ a key priority

#### **Top 15 Priorities**

Within the first 15 years of the Regional Transportation Plan's implementation, the top 15 priorities for early implementation are:

- Yonge subway extension to Richmond Hill Centre
- Eglinton rapid transit from Pearson Airport to Scarborough Centre
- Upgrade/extension of Scarborough rapid transit line
- Finch/Sheppard rapid transit from Pearson Airport to Scarborough Centre and Meadowvale
- Express Rail on Lakeshore line from Hamilton to Oshawa
- Rapid transit in Hamilton from McMaster University to Centennial Parkway
- Hurontario rapid transit from Port Credit to Brampton
- 403 Transitway from Mississauga City Centre to Renforth Gateway
- Rail link between Union Station and Pearson Airport
- Rapid transit service along Hwy 2 in Durham
- Improvements/extension of GO Rail service to Bowmanville
- Early phases of bus rapid transit service on Dundas St in Halton and Peel
- Viva rapid transit on Hwy 7 and Yonge St through York Region
- Brampton's Queen St Acceleride
- Spadina subway extension to Vaughan Corporate Centre



## What we studied

To develop recommendations for the Yonge subway extension project, we assessed options and obtained public input for:

- Alignment
- Numbers and locations of stations

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- How the subway will cross the East Don River
- The location of the terminus of the subway at Highway 7, its features and how it works



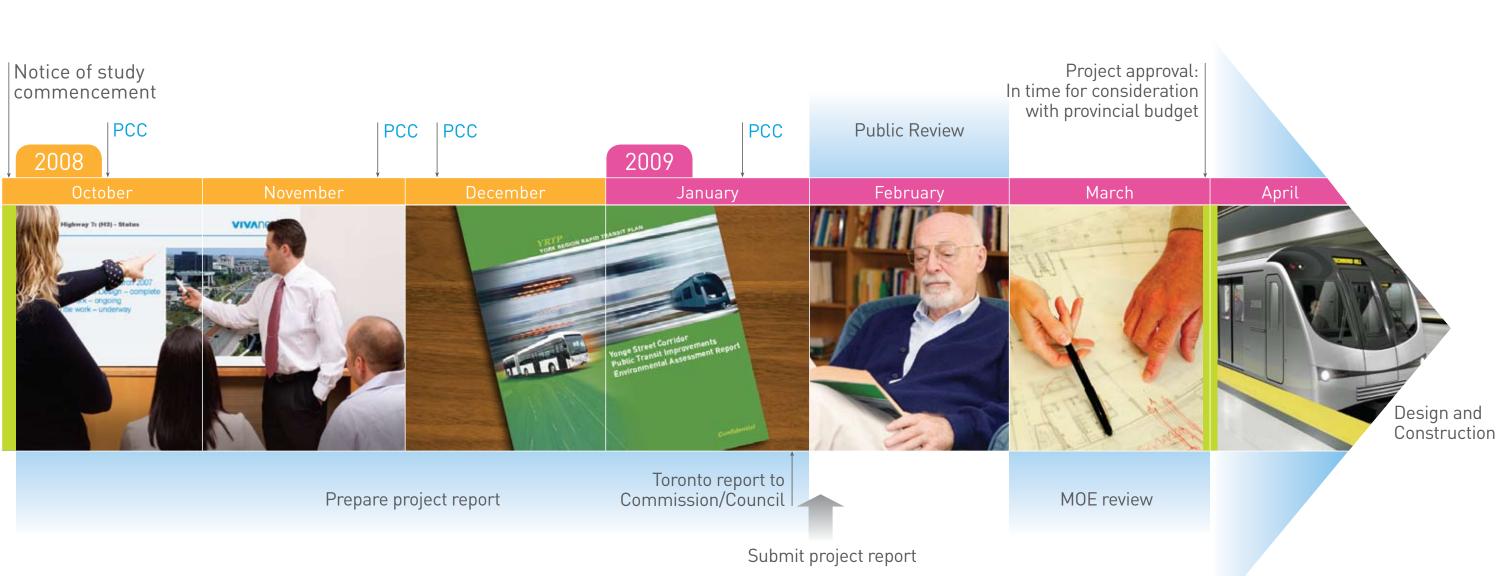








#### Where are we today?



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# What are the major phases of planning and building a subway?

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Complete Functional Design										
<b>Provincial Project Approval</b> [6 months duration] October 2008 – April 2009										
<b>Project Notice To Proceed/Initial Capitalization</b> May 2009										
<b>Project Management/Governance/AFP</b> Set-up: 1 year, mid 2010										
<b>Property   CEAA</b> [12 months duration] 2009-2011										
<b>Design/Engineering</b> [48 months overall duration] 2010-2013 [multiple projects starts and completion]										
<b>Construction</b> [66 months overall duration] 2012-2016 [multiple projects starts and completion]										
Subway System Commissioning [1 year duration] Throughout 2016										
<b>In-service</b> 2016/2017										

#### Key targets

- > project begins: 2009
- > design/engineering: 2009
- > construction: 2012
- > open: 2016/2017

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## What comes with a subway?

passenger pick up and drop off



parking facility



substation





emergency exit building

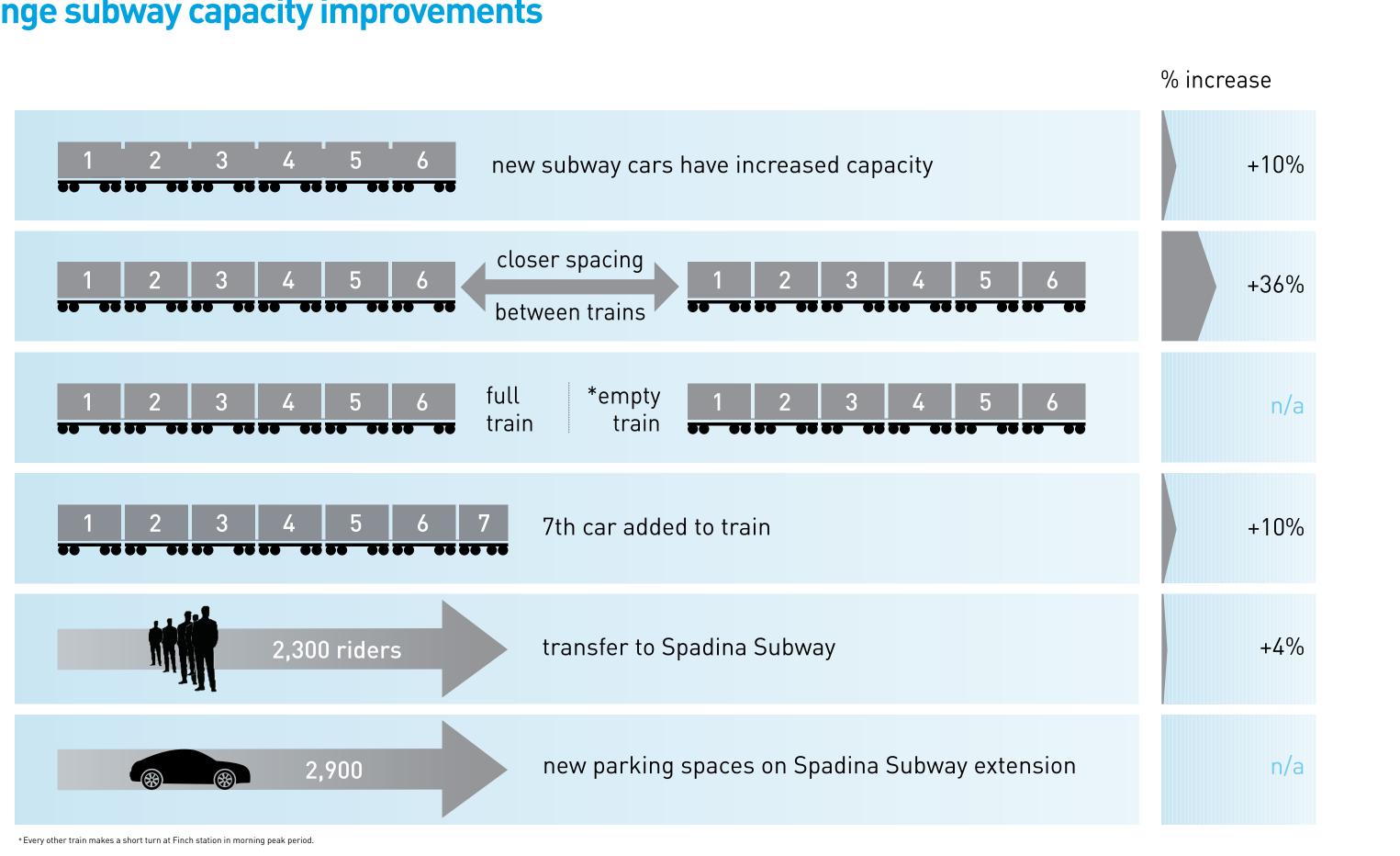




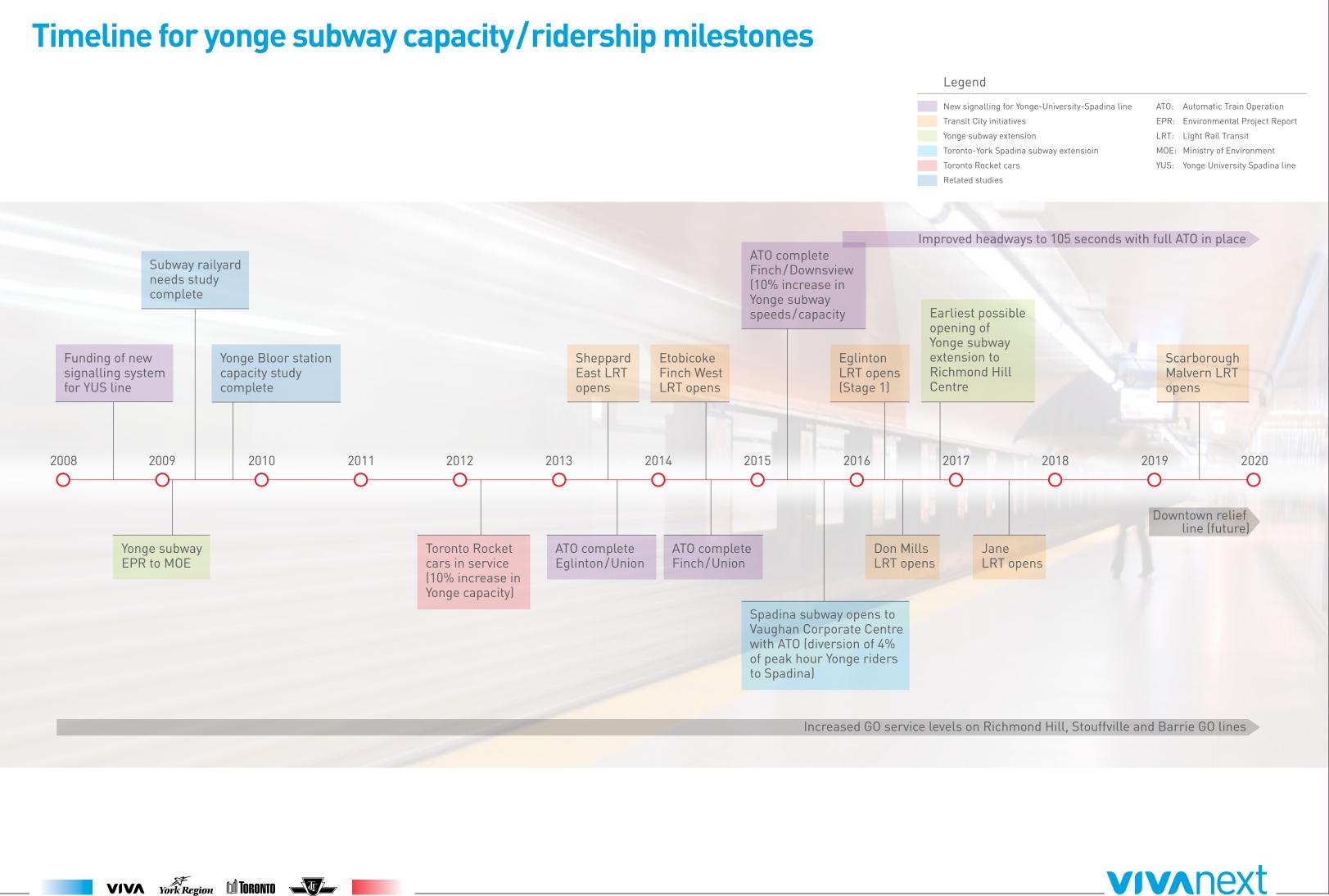


## Yonge subway capacity improvements

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# AM peak hour / peak direction subway volumes



1996 - 2007, projected to 2031

Sources: TTC subway count surveys, Cordon Count surveys

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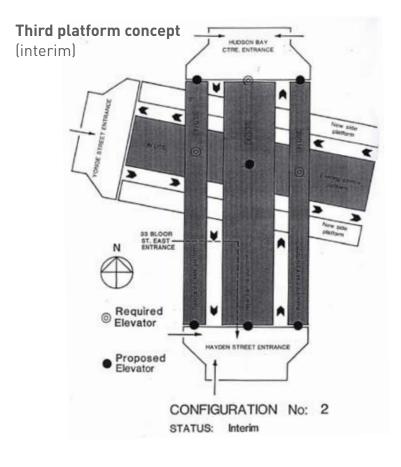
#### **Yonge-Bloor station**

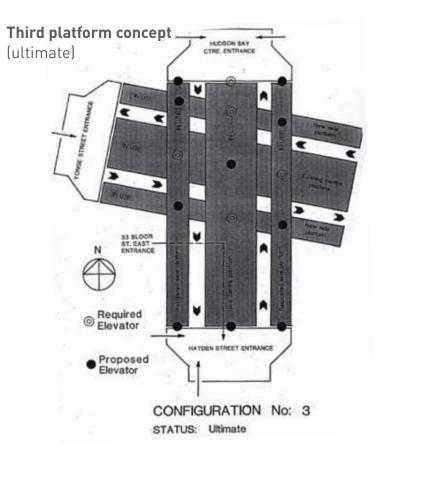
- Key to improving Yonge Subway capacity
- Bottleneck to adding more trains, with existing or new signalling system
- Must cut train 'dwell' time in half
- Add a third platform at Yonge Subway level
  - Train doors will open on **both** sides
  - Unload to new centre platform
  - Load from relocated side platform
  - Unloading/loading at the same time
  - Will cut theoretical dwell time by 50%
- Could also add platforms on BD level

#### **Capacity Study**

- Initiated in January 2009
- To be completed by Fall 2009
- Confirm previous concepts for expansion
- Identify other operational strategies to increase capacity
- \$450 million project
- Currently not funded
- 4-5 years to design/construct
- Station will be operational throughout construction





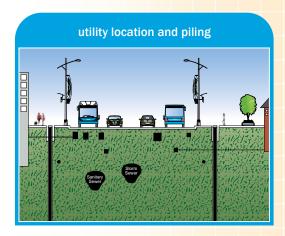


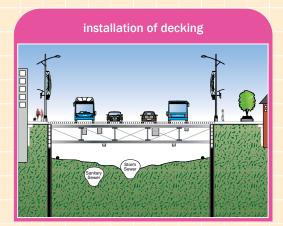
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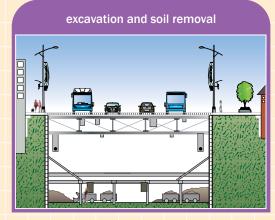


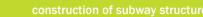


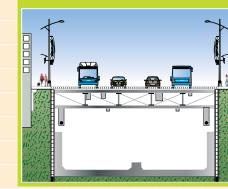






















## **Construction principles**

Our goal is to minimize disruption and inconvenience to the community during subway construction. Every effort will be made to:

- Use tunnelling, wherever possible
- Ensure the design of subway related structures is sensitive to existing neighbourhoods
- Maintain property access at all times
- Ensure appropriate number of lanes of traffic are always available in the peak direction
- Minimize the size of construction work areas
- Contain work areas to maintain community and pedestrian safety
- Provide timely construction updates to the community
- Complete construction as quickly as possible

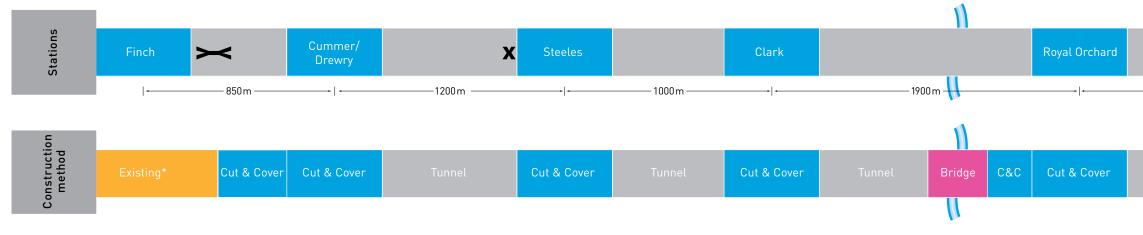


# transit benefits

#### just ahead



# Yonge subway extension: station planning





#### Screening criteria

Existing densities	80	85	110	80
Planned densities†	110 - 120	280 - 520	145 - 180	100 - 130
Transportation connection		1		
Natural environment	/	✓	✓	✓
Cultural environment	/	1	✓	1

Tail track: 🔀 Cross track: 🗙

\* Some reconstruction of existing tail tracks will be required

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\*\* 4-bay after Finch LRT is completed

† Persons and jobs per hectare

Not to scale

	Longbridge/ Langsatff	х	Richmond Hill Centre	$\succ$
900 m				
Tunnel	Cut & Cover	Tunnel	Cut & Cover	

30	40
144 - 266	295 - 550
1	<ul> <li>Image: A start of the start of</li></ul>
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## **Preliminary construction methodology**

While significant lengths of the subway extension will be tunnelled, the construction of subway stations and special track work structure is done using the cut and cover method.



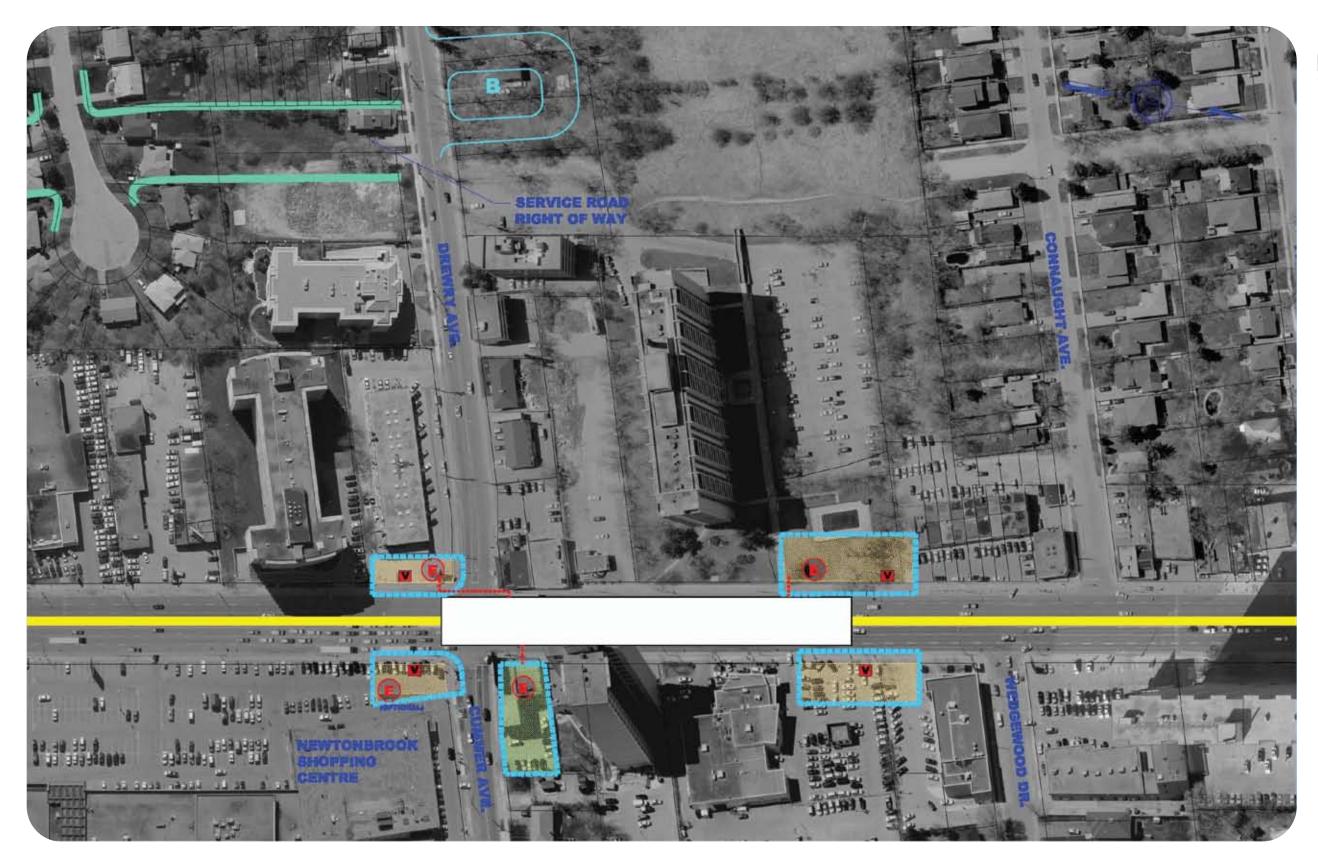
#### Legend

Subway station
 Cut and cover
 Tunnelling
 Bridge construction
 Tail tracks
 Launch shaft
 Exit shaft

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# **Cummer/Drewry station**



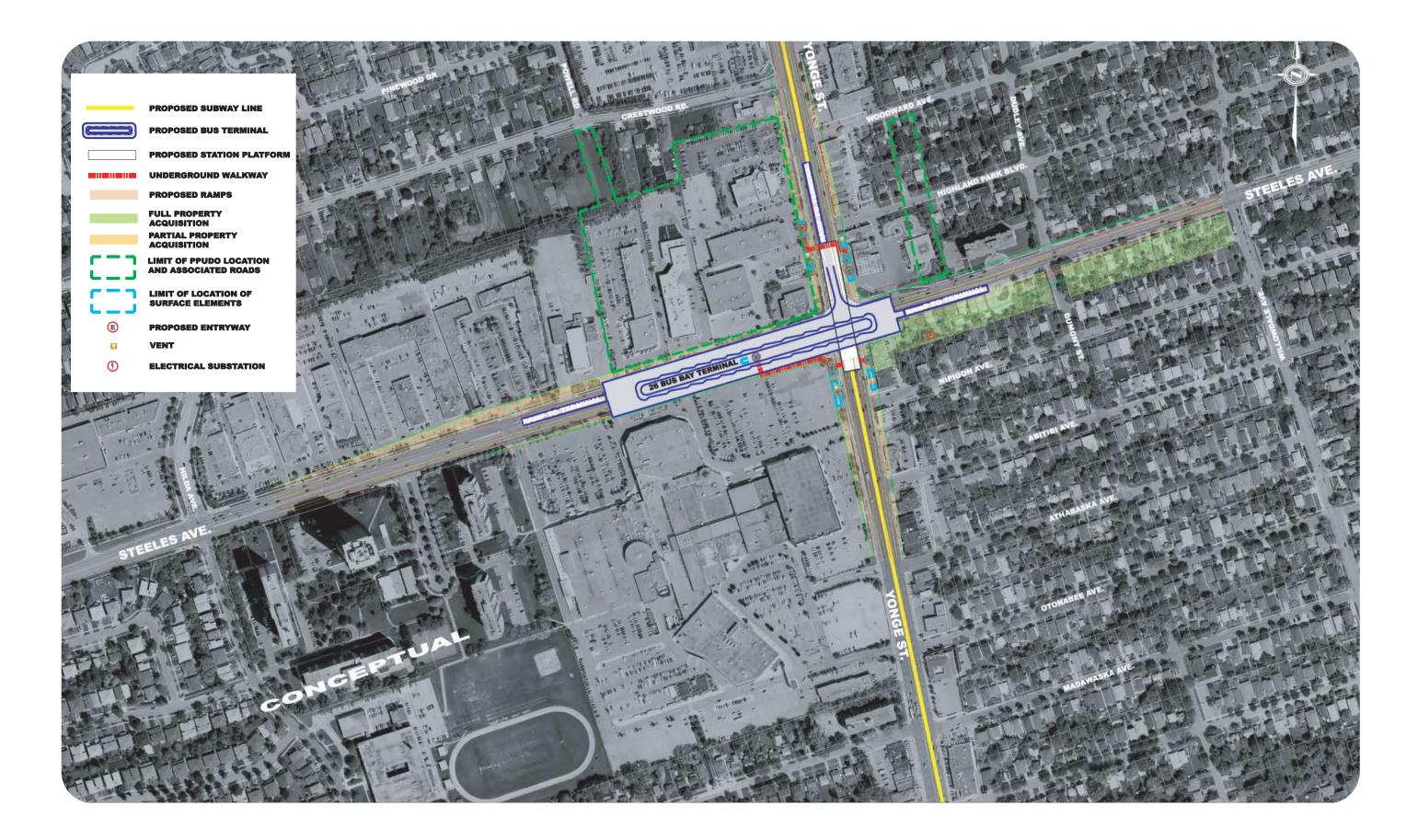
#### Legend

	Subway station
	Subway line
E	Entrance
	Limit of surface elements
	Underground walkway
***	Full property acquisition
	Partial property acquisition for surface elements only
V	Vent structure
B	Bus loop





#### **Steeles station**





# **Steeles station** | level by level

1 station overview all levels



#### **3 bus platform** 1 level below street



## **Clark station**



#### Legend

	Subway station
	Subway line
I	Electrical substation
E	Entrance
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	Underground walkway
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V	Vent structure

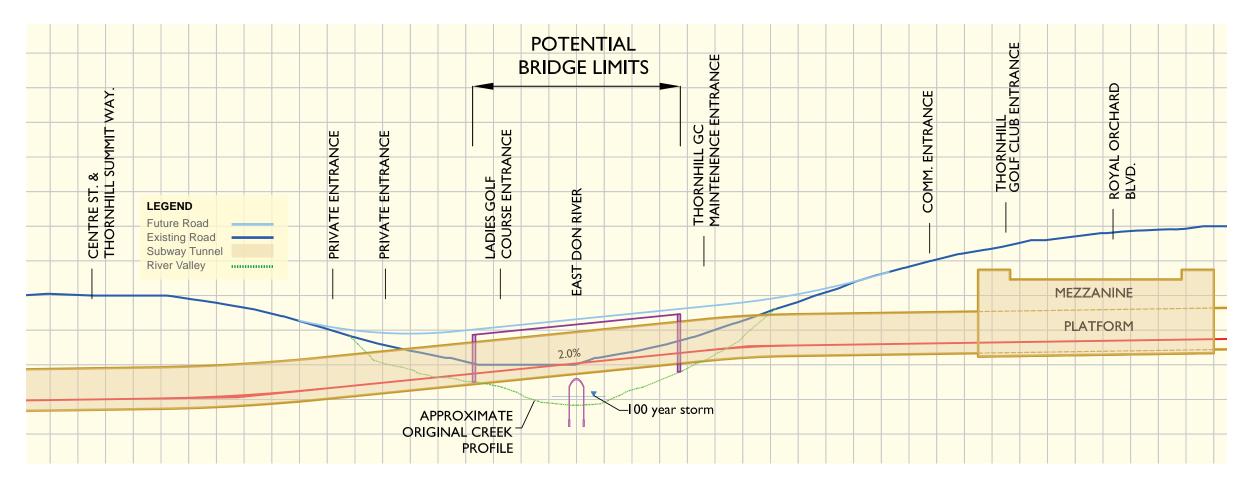




# **East Don River crossing**

• Heritage features will be designed into the bridge in consultation with the community.











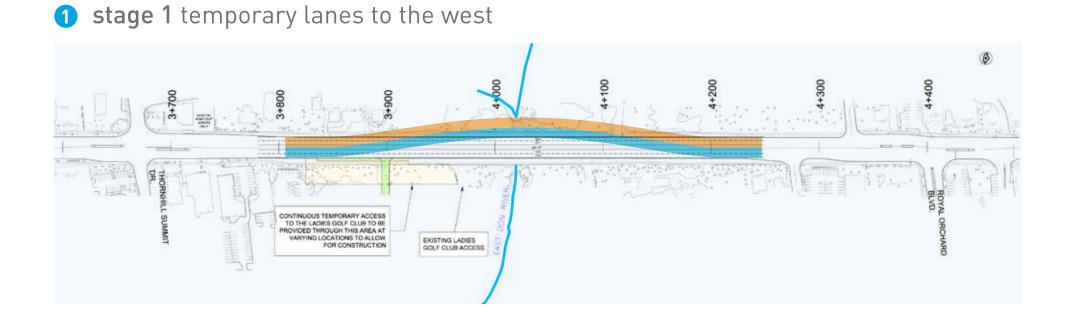




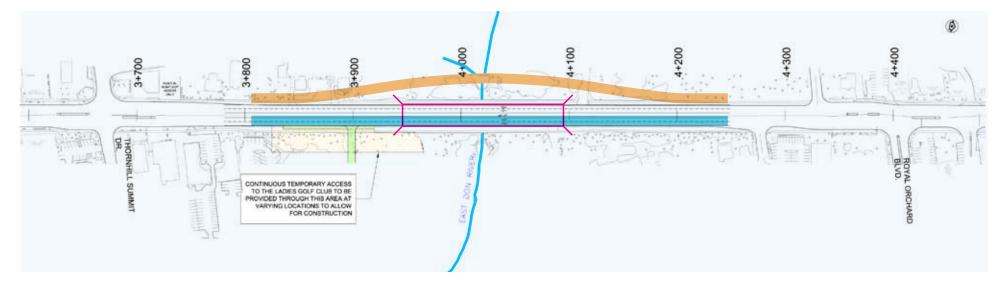


# East Don River proposed traffic staging

• Careful removal of existing culvert and embankments will minimize local disruption.



2 stage 2 temporary northbound lanes on partially constructed bridge



**3** stage 3 final bridge in service







#### **Crossing the East Don River**



South aerial view from York Condominium 300 Artists rendering ~ concept only

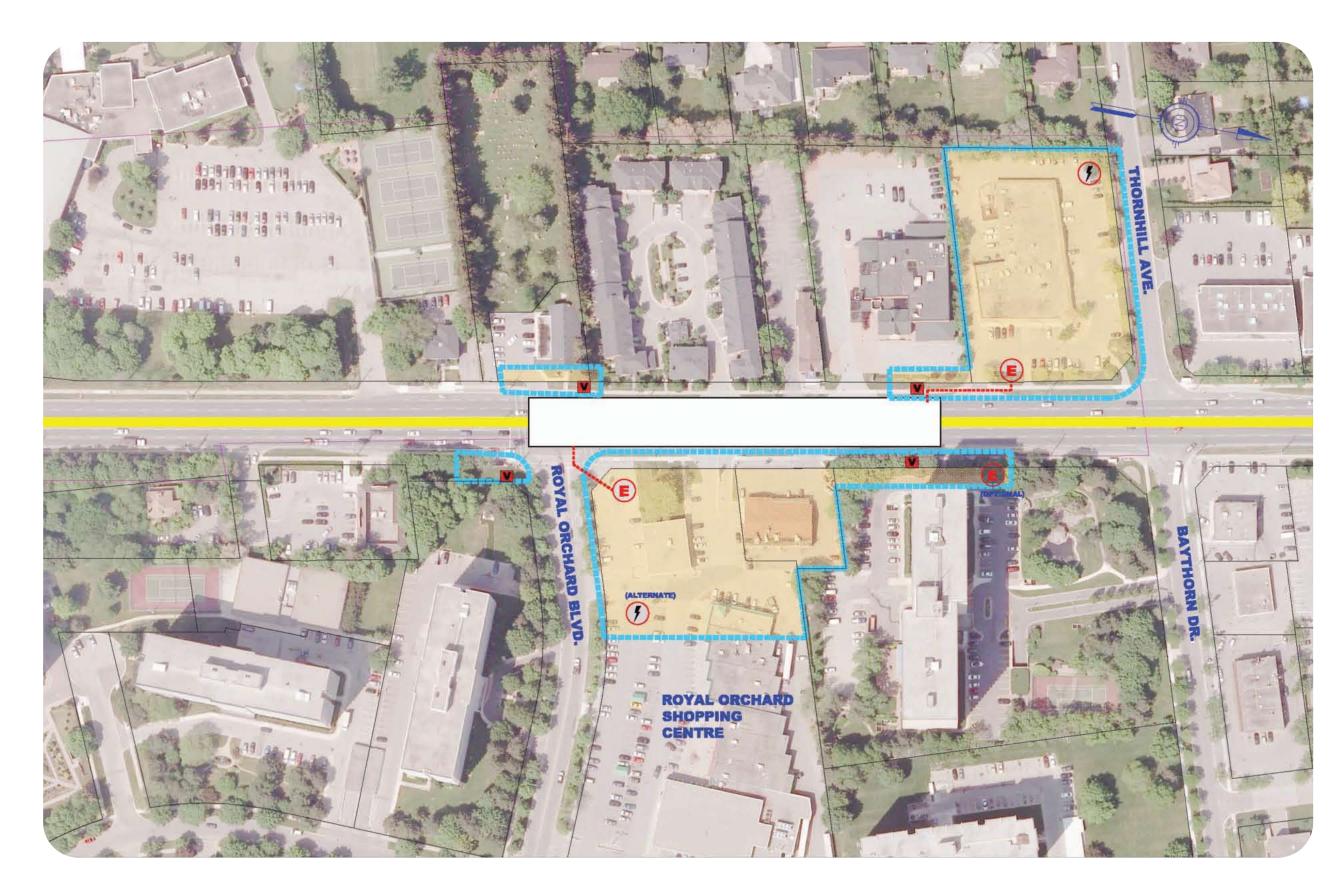


1 Restore the valley to its natural state

- 2 Level Yonge Street to provide continued access to adjacent sites
- 3 Ensure the bridge design includes heritage features in context with the community
- 4 Ensure lighting is designed to be sensitive to adjacent uses in the community
- 5 Provide a safe pedestrian environment to cross between the heritage community north and south of the bridge
- 6 Meet Ministry of Environment guidelines for attenuating traffic and subway noise



# **Royal Orchard station**



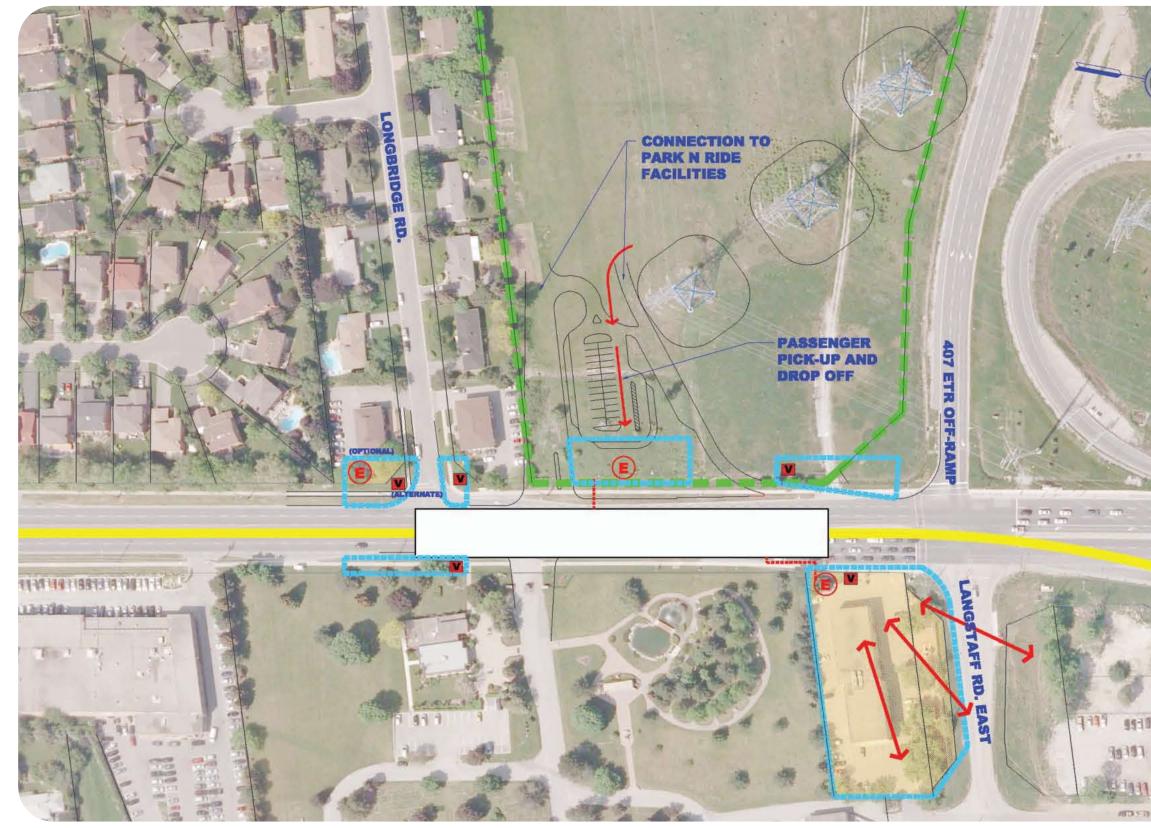
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V	Vent structure





# Langstaff / Longbridge station





#### Legend

	Subway station
	Subway line
I	Electrical substation
E	Entrance
	Limit of surface elements
	Underground walkway
***	Full property acquisition
	Partial property acquisition for surface elements only
V	Vent structure
c	Limit of PPUDO, Park 'n' Ride, and associated roads.





# Langstaff/Longbridge parking

# Design features that address community concerns:

- Noise buffers
- Maintaining a green corridor connection
- Bio swales
- Sustainable treatments for the parking area



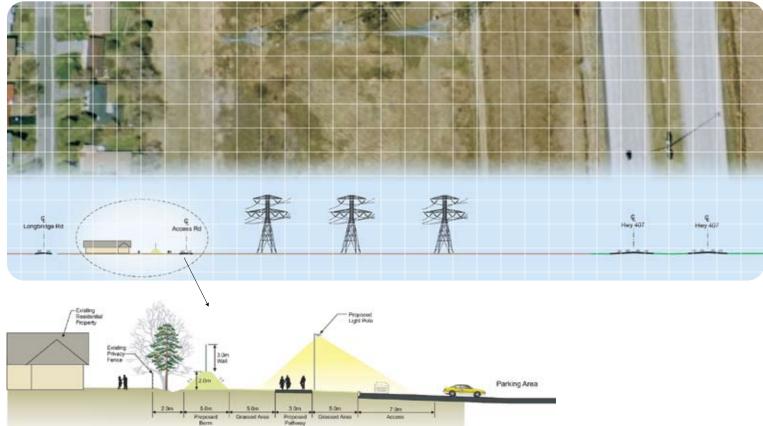








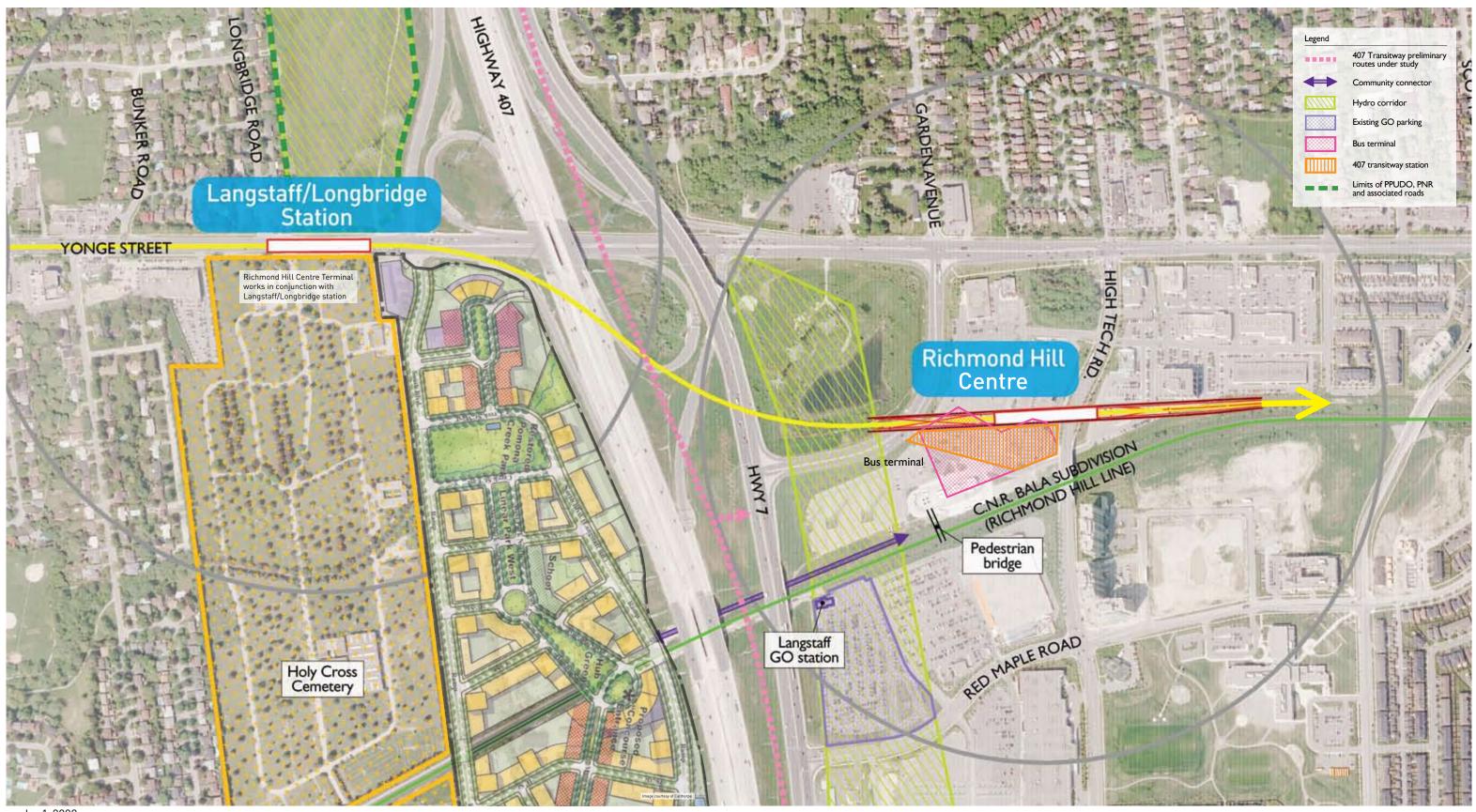




Conceptual design, to be further developed in consultation with the community.



#### **Richmond Hill Centre alignment**





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# Major project costs

major project elements	cost M\$	
stations and area facilities	\$650	
Finch improvements	\$5	
Cummer/Drewry	\$70	
Steeles	\$195	
Clark	\$70	
Royal Orchard	\$65	
Langstaff/Longbridge	\$85	
Richmond Hill Centre	\$160	
tunnels, special structures and operating systems		\$600
subway trains		\$240
storage and maintenance facilities for subway trains		\$110
engineering and other costs		\$675
property		\$125
project cost estimate, 2008 dollars	\$2.4	billion











#### **Next steps**

#### January/February 2009

- Issue Notice of Completion
- Submit Environmental Project Report to Ministry of the Environment for 30-day public review
- Ministry of the Environment review period [up to 35 days]

#### March/April 2009

Issue Statement of Completion

#### Spring 2009

Project ready to proceed

