

# Milton Logistics Hub: 2025 Q3 Report

For the period July 1 to September 30, 2025

## 1.0 Project Overview

The Milton Logistics Hub (the “Project”) was the subject of a multi-year federal environmental assessment process, which culminated in a federal Decision Statement on January 21, 2021, Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Authorization on July 23, 2021, and a Canadian Transportation Agency (CTA) approval on November 22, 2021. It is subject to over 300 conditions designed to protect the community and the environment, including a requirement to produce reports on a quarterly basis that describe how CN has addressed feedback on the Project.

## 2.0 Summary of Construction Activities

Project construction commenced on January 17, 2022. Phase One activities, as identified in Construction [Schedule 15.2](#), were completed at the end of December 2023. Phase Two activities, as identified in Construction Schedule 15.2, commenced in January 2024, with a predominant focus on the construction of the Lower Base Line underpass, the truck entrance access road off Britannia Road, overpass over the CN mainline tracks, and the subgrade for the mainline rail extension north of Britannia Road to Derry Road.

During the 2025 Q3 period, site activities included:

- **Lower Base Line Grade Separation:** Grading and structural works were completed, including excavation and roadworks on both sides of the underpass, installation and backfilling of sidewalk retaining walls, placement of geotextile and road base, and slope stabilization with rock check dams. Surface works such as road paving, sidewalk installation, and road painting were also finished, along with the installation of streetlights and hydro poles. Lower Base Line was re-opened to traffic on July 14, 2025, with the vehicular underpass (Lower Base Line) works completed.  
**Britannia Access Road and Bridge:** Construction advanced with rebar, formwork, and braces installed for the bridge deck, which is now complete. Work commenced on the bridge sidewalk, while activities continued on the reinforced soil slope (RSS) walls, noise barrier wall panels, truck access road approaches, and approach grading. Overall, this work is approximately 80% complete.
- **Intersection Modifications at Britannia Road:** Work began in April (Q2) to establish a new truck entrance within the Project Development Area. Prior to the start of work on Britannia Road in August, advance signage was installed along with appropriate traffic control and safety measures. Activities include construction of turning lanes, adjustments to traffic signals, relocation of hydro poles, and realignment of the multi-use path and bicycle lanes to support the connection of the Britannia Access Road to Britannia Road. CN has been actively engaging with the Halton Region and the Town of Milton throughout this process. This work is approximately 30% complete.

- **Mainline Track Work (Britannia to Derry Road):** Subgrade construction continued between Britannia and Derry Road, including placement, grading, and compaction works along the east side of the existing mainline. This work is approximately 80% complete.
- **Regional Diversion Outfall:** Flexamat at the Regional Diversion Outfall into Indian Creek were reinstalled in dry conditions.

No noise complaints were received during the 2025 Q3 period.

All activities are being carried out in accordance with the conditions outlined in the federal [Decision Statement](#).

**2.1 Construction Site Photos**

The following are images of various on-site construction activities that have occurred during this reporting period.

**2.1.1 Lower Base Line Grade Separation Progress**

Grading and shoulder shaping on the west side of Lower Base Line bridge.



Figure 2.1.1 – July 2, 2025

**2.1.2 Lower Base Line Grade Separation Progress**

Completion of asphalt paving at Lower Base Line bridge.



Figure 2.1.2 – July 11, 2025



**2.1.3 Lower Base Line Grade Separation Progress**

Completion of sidewalk construction.



Figure 2.1.3 – June 16, 2025

**2.1.4 Mainline Subgrade Track Work**

Subgrade works for the mainline track extension at Derry Road.



Figure 2.1.4 – July 17, 2025



### 2.1.5 Lower Base Line Grade Separation Completion

Lower Base Line bridge roadway opened July 14, 2025, view looking northeast.



Figure 2.1.5 – June 23, 2025

### 2.1.6 Britannia Access Road Bridge

Ongoing work on truck access via the Britannia Access Road Bridge.



Figure 2.1.6 – July 17, 2025



### 2.1.7 Britannia Access Road Bridge

Ongoing approach grading work to the Britannia Access Road and Bridge.



Figure 2.1.7 – July 23, 2025

### 2.1.8 Culvert 3 Regional Diversion Outfall

Repaired regional diversion outfall after installation of new Flexamat and riprap.



Figure 2.1.8 – August 14, 2025



**2.1.9 Britannia Access Road**

Installation of noise barrier wall panels to reduce noise impacts of truck traffic on the surrounding community.

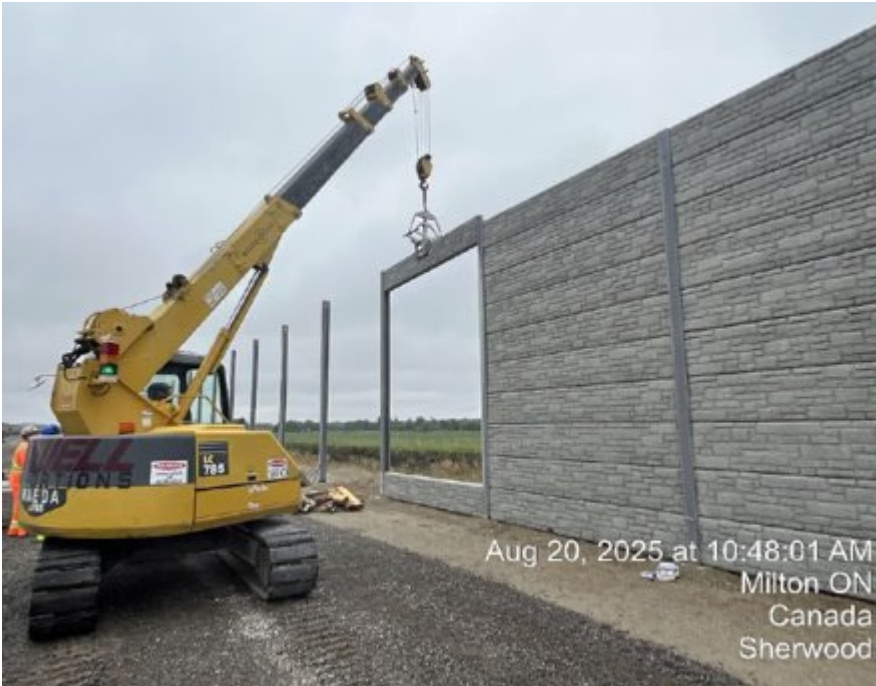


Figure 2.1.9 – August 20, 2025

**2.1.10 Britannia Access Road**

Ongoing work on the new truck access. Grading and compacting the recycled materials.



Figure 2.1.10 – August 21, 2025

### 2.1.11 Britannia Access Road

Truck access right-turn lane grading work in progress from eastbound Britannia Road.



Figure 2.1.11 – August 29, 2025

### 2.1.12 Culvert 2 Vegetation Growth

Vegetation growth progress in Culvert 2 area.



Figure 2.1.12 – September 23, 2025



### 2.1.13 Tributary A Vegetation Growth

Vegetation growth progress in Tributary A.



Figure 2.1.13 – September 23, 2025

## **2.2 Meetings with Regulatory Agencies**

CN regularly meets in person or virtually with representatives from the relevant regulatory agencies: Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC), Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), Health Canada, Canadian Transportation Agency (CTA), and Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC).

Meetings with regulatory agencies during the 2025 Q3 period occurred on:

- July 8, 2025
- August 5, 2025
- September 2, 2025

When not meeting on-site, participating agencies were provided with a virtual tour or photo log of the site. No areas of non-compliance or violations were identified by the agencies during these meetings. Information requests from IAAC during their visits were responded to by CN.

## **3.0 Community Engagement**

In 2021, CN announced the establishment of the Community Consultation Committee (the “Committee”) for the Milton Logistics Hub as part of its ongoing community communication and engagement related to the Project. CN elected to form the Committee as a component of the federally mandated [Community Liaison Communication Process](#) (see Project Documents). The Committee is led by independent third-party co-facilitators, and its membership represents environmental, business, community, post-secondary education, and other interests in Milton and across Halton. The Community Consultation Committee functions as a forum for receiving feedback from Indigenous groups and local stakeholders. It operates during the pre-construction phase, throughout the construction process, and continues into the operational phase of the CN Project.

### **3.1 Community Consultation Committee Meetings**

The Community Consultation Committee met on:

- August 7, 2025 (Virtual)

August 7, 2025: Topics discussed at the meeting included: member feedback on construction progress, signage, and community sentiment; approval of the Q2 report and decision tracker items such as environmental partnerships, multilingual driver handouts, and a community advertising campaign; confirmation that all legal appeals have been resolved; and project updates covering a Q3 2027 operations target, Britannia Road lane closure coordination, and ongoing environmental monitoring. The next Committee meeting is confirmed for October 1, 2025.

### **3.2 Construction Notification**



No new construction notices were posted during this reporting quarter.

### **3.3 Community Awareness Campaign and Website Update**

During this reporting quarter, CN initiated a community awareness campaign about the Project. This includes key information about the project, including topics like following regulations, creating jobs and strengthening the economy, engaging with the community, and protecting the environment. In addition, based on feedback from the Committee, the CN Milton [website](#) was revamped to improve navigability and provide additional information about the Project. The Committee also recommended a permanent site sign, and CN is advancing plans to install one near the Britannia Access Road Intersection where trucks will enter the terminal.

### **4.0 Indigenous Consultation**

CN continues to meet regularly with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) through a working group that was established to share project information, provide opportunities for members to participate in field programs, and identify ongoing economic opportunities on the Project and within CN's operating area.

CN continues to engage with Six Nations of the Grand River (Six Nations) on the Project and provides opportunities for members to participate in field programs.

CN meets regularly with the Huron-Wendat Nation (HWN) to share updates on the Project and provide opportunities for members to participate in field programs.

The Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, Six Nations of the Grand River, and the Huron-Wendat Nation have standing invitations to participate in the Community Consultation Committee, such as becoming regular members of the Committee, attending Committee meetings, or presenting to the Committee. Since the commencement of construction activities, environmental monitors representing these groups have been present on the Project site.

### **5.0 CN Milton Website Postings**

No new documents were posted on the CN Milton website during this reporting quarter.

### **6.0 Feedback and Consideration of Input**

Per the Community Liaison Communication Plan, 2.2.2., the following methods were available to potentially affected parties and the wider community for providing feedback to CN:

- a) CN Public Inquiry Line (PIL)
- b) Community Consultation Committee
- c) CNMilton.ca

- d) Emergency Line
- e) Local Government Engagement
- f) Social Media
- g) Noise Complaints Protocol

In addition to these methods, feedback can also be submitted through other means, such as via email to individual CN employees, contractors, or other divisions within CN, particularly as part of direct correspondence on specific matters.

Below is a summary of input received in 2025 Q3 (July 1 to September 30, 2025). The table below summarizes feedback from Potentially Affected Parties into key themes, citing the various sources of that feedback, and describes how CN has considered and addressed the feedback. Per Condition 4.9.3, this includes noise complaints received (if any) and any corrective action taken during the reporting quarter relating to noise complaints.

**6.1 CN’s consideration of input from community and stakeholder engagement**

TOPIC		
Summary of Topic	Source of Input	CN Consideration/Response
<b>Heritage Houses Re-use and Salvage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates on feasibility study outcomes and interest in salvaging materials before deterioration.</li> </ul>	Community Consultation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CN has inquired IAAC regarding the feasibility of advancing Heritage Impact Assessment earlier. The scope of the feasibility study at the Red Brick Heritage Home has been expanded to facilitate broader search of re-use opportunities.</li> </ul>
<b>Construction Progress and Traffic</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Observations of lane closures, signage, and new underpass performance.</li> </ul>	Community Consultation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CN confirmed that lane closures on Britannia Road will generally maintain two lanes open in each direction. When construction requires reducing traffic to one lane in each direction, work will take place at night in coordination with Halton Region. CN is also planning to install a permanent project sign near Britannia and First Line by October 2025.</li> </ul>
<b>Community Outreach and Communications</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interest in clear public communication, site signage, and addressing misconceptions.</li> </ul>	Community Consultation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CN is launching a community awareness campaign to address misinformation and will share updates at future meetings. Site signage plans are progressing.</li> </ul>
<b>Environmental Monitoring &amp; Design</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requests for updates on Follow-up Program results, landscaping, and environmental design.</li> </ul>	Community Consultation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CN expressed that Follow-up Program results can be summarized in Committee newsletter after the annual Follow-up Program reports are submitted to the relevant agencies.</li> </ul>



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<b>Committee Membership &amp; Representation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggestions to invite planners, youth, and Indigenous representatives.</li> </ul>	Community Consultation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CN and co-facilitators are considering expanding committee participation to include Ontario Professional Planners Institute members, youth, and other representatives. Indigenous Nations will be invited to participate in site opening ceremonies.</li> </ul>
<b>Legal Context &amp; Coordination</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Questions about next steps following the end of legal appeals.</li> </ul>	Community Consultation Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CN confirmed all legal avenues have been exhausted. The committee will focus on coordination with Halton Region and the Town of Milton, inviting staff representatives to join as members or observers.</li> </ul>