

## ERO 025-1035 - Amendments to the Building Transit Faster Act, 2020

The following table contains comments prepared by staff regarding the proposed changes in [ERO-25-1035](#), which amends the Building Transit Faster Act, 2020. Additional information on the proposed changes, along with supporting materials provided by the Province can be found via [ERO-25-1035](#). The legislative changes being considered under this ERO can be found under Schedule 1 of [Bill 60](#).

ERO 025-1035 Policy Changes	
The notice period for Obstruction Removal and Preview Inspections to third-party land owners will be reduced from 30 days to 15 days.	
Question	Comments
Are there components of the proposed policy that your Section supports?	
Are there components of the proposed policy that your Section opposes or has concerns over?	<b>LRT:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The changes should not result in implications to the City</li> </ul>

<p>Are there any aspects of the proposed policy you would like clarified? Any additional questions?</p>	
<p><b>Parts II (Corridor Control) and V (Municipal Service and Right of Way Access) of the BTFA will apply not only to construction but also to operations and maintenance of transit projects.</b></p>	
<p>Are there components of the proposed policy that your Section supports?</p>	
<p>Are there components of the proposed policy that your Section opposes or has concerns over?</p>	<p><b>LRT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Metrolinx review and Corridor Development Permits (CDP) will continue as requirements post-LRT construction, into operation and maintenance</li> </ul> <p><b>HSR:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanding to operations and maintenance means introducing an entirely separate regulatory process across Ontario's major cities in perpetuity (theoretically), with some of the transit projects likely to be operated and maintained by private companies. Why should residents and businesses who choose to locate near transit service be penalized with a regime to use their property that has less notice and less rights for them than a similar business further away? Construction is (in theory) a limited time period; operations and maintenance, while often signed in 20/30 year terms, continues.</li> </ul>

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Are there any aspects of the proposed policy you would like clarified? Any additional questions?	<b>HSR:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How will this interact with road standards and bike lanes? It appears this sets up the Province to be able to demolish and rebuild municipal infrastructure to new standards that may not reflect the needs or will of the local population as desired. How will existing projects be delivered, which have often taken in municipal standards with the goal of replacing like for like.</li> </ul>
<b>The scope of municipal service and right of way access orders under Part V of the Act will be broadened to include “buildings, bridges, tunnels and life safety systems” which are required for project delivery.</b>	
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Are there any aspects of the proposed policy you would like clarified? Any additional questions?	<b>LRT:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unclear if these additions will be funded by the Minister</li> </ul>
<b>The Minister can prescribe, by regulation, additional municipal infrastructure for which municipal service and right of way access order applies to.</b>	
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Are there any aspects of the proposed policy you would like clarified? Any additional questions?	<b>HSR:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If replacing other infrastructure, what will the timelines be for the replaced infrastructure?</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will they be built to the same standards/lifecycles as budgeted for by the municipality, or to a new standard set by the Province?</li> </ul>
<b>Expanding Municipal Service and Right of Way Access to add relocation and alteration of, and connections to municipal services, right of way, and infrastructure</b>	
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<b>The Minister will be able to delegate authority to issue municipal service and right of way access orders to Metrolinx, or an MTO official through regulation, upon such delegation conditions as the Minister deems appropriate and depending on the circumstances of the project.</b>	
Are there components of the proposed policy that your Section supports?	<b>LRT:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The orders can be related to the design of municipal infrastructure as part of the LRT project</li> </ul>
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