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Eastern section of Autoroute 30: a work team on-site

For the general public, the completion of Autoroute 30 is mainly known for the public-private partnership (PPP) that characterizes the Western section, which will connect Châteauguay to Vaudreuil-Dorion. Because of this, it is all too easy to forget about the Eastern section, which extends from the existing section of Autoroute 30 in Saint-Constant to the Jean-Leman interchange in Candiac.

Unlike the Western section of the project, work on the Eastern section is being carried out using conventional methods. This section is currently under construction, relying primarily on the competence of employees of the Direction de l'Ouest-de-la-Montérégie (DOM) of the Ministère des Transports du Québec (MTQ), working in cooperation with the Bureau de projet de l'autoroute 30, which is responsible for the work on both sections.

However, the work of the DOM doesn't end with construction! In addition to completing the Eastern section, the MTQ is also overseeing several other aspects that must be completed before the private partner can begin work on the Western section, including surveying, acquisitions, the environment, and the relocation of public services. Deforestation is another task that is being handled by the DOM. Among other things, the DOM will be present at the worksites on Route 236 and chemin Haute-Rivière. Both of these locations feature specific facilities that must be relocated, such as a railway, electrical towers, and water conduits.

Managing a budget of more than \$300 million, DOM employees (Gildard Lanteigne, Yves Melanson, Richard Lamontagne, Josée Proulx, Martin Godbout, Denis Florent, Bernard McCann, Joceline Hudon, and many others) play a pivotal role in the completion of Autoroute 30.

The two sections of Autoroute 30 will have a number of differences, but they complete each other to the extent that the West cannot function without the East, and vice-versa!

Have a great work season!

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Phase 2 of work on the 15/30 interchange

Work on the site of the future 15/30 interchange near the municipalities of Delson and Candiac has resumed.



Work on the 15/30 interchange resumed in early 2007 and will continue until the fall.

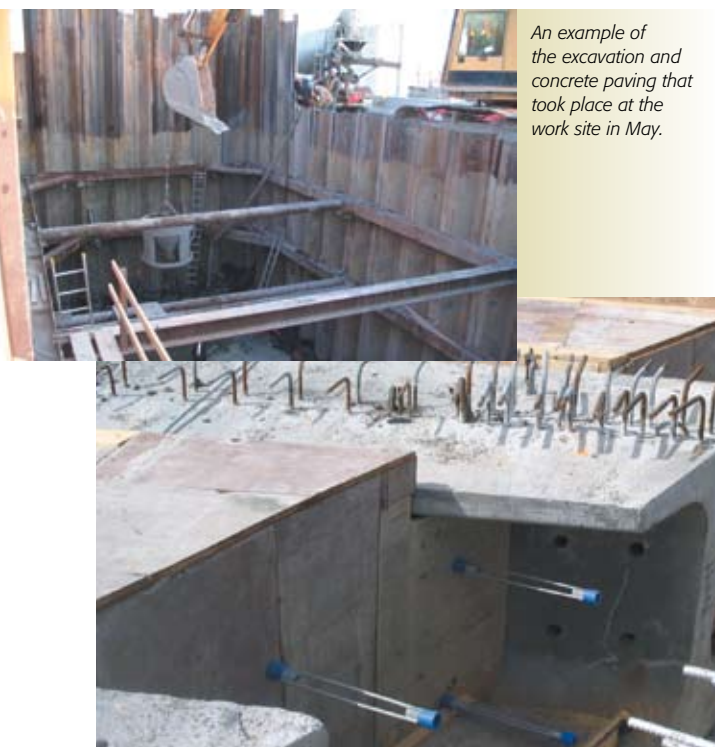
The initial mandate, which included preparatory work, has been completed. This work primarily entailed building access roads and preparing the site for the future 15/30 interchange and for upcoming work on the Jean-Leman segment. Among other things, the mandate included the relocation of certain public services that were located along Autoroute 15, securing access to adjacent industrial land, construction of access routes to future worksites, drainage of the worksite zones, and traffic management.

Workers on the structural elements of the stratification bridge



Phase 2 of work on the 15/30 interchange (cont'd)

The overpass ramp will soon be surrounded by new structures. Major construction work was carried out after the preparatory steps, which made it possible to add four more structures to this important interchange, which will allow Autoroute 30 to pass over Autoroute 15. The mandate involves landscaping, roadwork, retaining walls, relocation of the underground Hydro-Québec power transmission network, demolition of the disconnected natural gas line, drainage, lighting the roadway, and a number of other projects.



An example of the excavation and concrete paving that took place at the work site in May.

Bridge decking components on the structure.

To see pictures of the various phases of the work, visit the A-30 in Pictures section of the website entitled "The Completion of Autoroute 30" www.autoroute30.qc.ca.

This mandate will be extended to the fall of 2007. To learn how traffic on Autoroute 15 may be affected, consult Inforoutière.

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Request for Proposals

Something new in June!

The Request for Proposals is fast approaching!

This is the second step in the PPP process, which is designed to select a candidate for the signing of a 35-year contract between the Government of Québec and a private partner.

Strict conditions governing deforestation

The completion of the Western section of Autoroute 30 involves major work, including deforestation, that took place in the spring. This must respect the various conditions that are in force in order to comply with the Order-in-Council that was issued by the Government of Québec in 1999 and the audit report that was adopted by federal authorities.

Deforestation must take place at specific times in order to protect the nesting and rearing of avian wildlife. Therefore, deforestation is prohibited during the restricted period between mid-April and mid-August.

In light of these restrictions, deforestation work was carried out at three separate sites within the Autoroute 30 right-of-way between March 27 and April 17:

- In Châteauguay, west of Route 132, between Saint-Jean and Salaberry streets;
- In Saint-Timothée, at the existing intersection of A-30 and boulevard Pie-XII;
- In Vaudreuil-Dorion, at the site of the future 20/30/540 interchange.

Other work will be carried out in the fall.

In addition, the MTQ has expressed concern about the protection of the waterways. A 20 metre strip of trees has been left in place beside the natural waterline in order to prevent the erosion of the shore. This strip of trees also helps to prevent damage to the quality of water and fish habitats. Furthermore, deforestation was carried out manually in zones that are considered to be more sensitive from an ecological perspective. Finally, certain areas must be replanted, and a follow-up program for the newly planted zones has been planned.

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