

Junction



New director for the Bureau de projet de l'A-30

Since it was created in March 2004, the Bureau de projet de l'A-30 has been directed by Mr. Paul-André Fournier. On December 1, Mr. Fournier decided to take his well-deserved retirement.

Since then, Mr. Bernard Caron, director for Ouest-de-la-Montérégie, has served as acting director for the Bureau. Going forward, he will continue to be responsible for the Eastern Section, which is already under construction, in order for it to be delivered as scheduled in 2010. Work on the Jean-Leman segment will begin in the coming months and this stretch could be put into service at the same time as the Western Section, which is the responsibility of the private partner, in 2012.

Mr. Jacques Fillion has been appointed director of the Bureau de projet de l'autoroute 30. Until now, he has served as director of the direction-de-l'Outaouais with the ministère des Transports du Québec (MTQ).

Mr. Fillion's principal mandate over the coming months will be to ensure the execution of the public-private partnership agreement with Nouvelle Autoroute 30.

Good luck in your new roles!

The A-30 wins a Canadian award of excellence!



Mr. José Enrique Montéro, director of Nouvelle Autoroute 30, Mr. Pierre Lefebvre, president and CEO of PPP Québec, and Mr. Rod Johnston of PricewaterhouseCoopers, presenting the Gold Award for the project's financing to Mr. Paul-André Fournier.

On November 24, the Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships (CCPPP) held its awards night in Toronto. The purpose of the awards is to recognize projects that have demonstrated innovation and excellence when carried out as a PPP.

The A-30 completion project, for which the PPP agreement was signed on September 25, 2008, garnered the most prestigious prize of the evening, specifically the Gold Award, for the project's financing.

Mr. Paul-André Fournier, the director of the Bureau de projet de l'A-30, and Mrs. Sandra Sultana, from the Bureau des partenariats public-privé, proudly accepted the prize.

Mr. Fournier seized the opportunity to congratulate the teams at the MTQ which have worked tirelessly on the project.

It is now up to the Nouvelle Autoroute 30 to launch the work site for the Western Section of the A-30, which will enable motorists to use the bypass route around the metropolitan region starting in 2012.



The Haute-Rivière work site in Châteauguay, was the location of a life-sized test bed that served to assess soil quality in the Western Section.

Opening of the chemin de la Haute-Rivière overpass

Since December 4th, 2008, the new chemin de la Haute Rivière overpass in Châteauguay, has been open to traffic!

Following two phases of work (soil consolidation and construction) carried out over two years, local residents are now driving on the structure!

The construction of the overpass, enabling the trajectory of chemin de la Haute-Rivière to cross over the A-30, was completed by the MTQ at a cost of \$12 M. Work on the Western Section will continue to be carried out by Nouvelle Autoroute 30 in summer 2009.

The completion of this component of the work by the MTQ, even before the arrival of the private partner, has numerous benefits. In fact, the Haute-Rivière job site is characteristic of the entire route with respect to the nature and quality of the soil.

Accordingly, it was possible for the bearing capacity of the soil to be scrutinized under a microscope and for accurate, reliable, and documented geotechnical data to be provided to candidates during the PPP process. This information then made it possible to reduce the risk associated with the soil quality factor and to thereby lower the pricetags on the proposals received!

Workers who brave the cold

The Eastern Section, which is now under construction between the Saint-Constant and Candiac interchanges, is not hibernating this winter!

Three sites are active despite the cold and the snow:

- The 30/730 interchange;
- The section from the 30/730 interchange to chemin Agritex;
- The section from chemin Agritex to the 15/30 interchange.

Unlike the work on roadway, structural work can continue during the winter season. It is in fact an integral part of the busy schedule followed by contractors, since in winter they are able to catch up and even get ahead on certain phases of the work. The objective is to deliver Autoroute 30 as quickly as possible!

The work on the roadway will resume at the same sites in the spring.

The year 2009, in winter as in summer, will be a very important one for work on the Eastern Section of the A-30!



Far from being simple tasks, more than \$10 M in work is being carried out this winter on the Eastern Section of Autoroute 30.

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