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Good morning Peter, Jenna,

Thank you for taking the time to provide comments on behalf of Elgin County.

The Project Team has noted the County's preferred intersection/interchange alternatives and associated comments, as well as your preference for the installation of a Highway 3 median barrier. Your feedback was taken into consideration during the evaluation of alternative design concepts.

The County's recommendations for additional improvements in the Study Area have also been noted by the Project Team, including signalization of the Wellington Road and McBain Line intersection, replacement of municipal infrastructure, and adding additional access points on Wellington Road. The Project Team will consider these recommendations as the study progresses; however, some of these improvements are beyond the scope of work for this study.

In addition, the County's recommendations to consider widening Wonderland Road, consider the movement of agricultural equipment, include interchange illumination, install noise barriers, and expand the traffic study area have been noted by the Project Team. Please note that the widening of Wonderland Road northward to Highway 401 is beyond the scope of this assignment. Interchange illumination requirements will be assessed and included by the project team as the study progresses. As part of this study, noise and traffic assessments are being undertaken, and mitigation measures will be implemented where required and feasible.

The Project Team is also taking the movement of agricultural equipment into consideration while designing the improvements; however, agricultural equipment will be prohibited from using both Highway 3 and the proposed Talbotville Bypass for safety purposes.

Lastly, it is anticipated that the existing transportation network within the Study Area, including roads, highways, bridges, and associated infrastructure, will remain under the jurisdiction of the parties that currently own and maintain them. Should this change, members from the Project Team and/or MTO staff will be in contact with the affected municipalities.

We appreciate you taking the time to provide your comments and anticipate further dialogue with the County of Elgin throughout the course of this project.

Regards,  
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