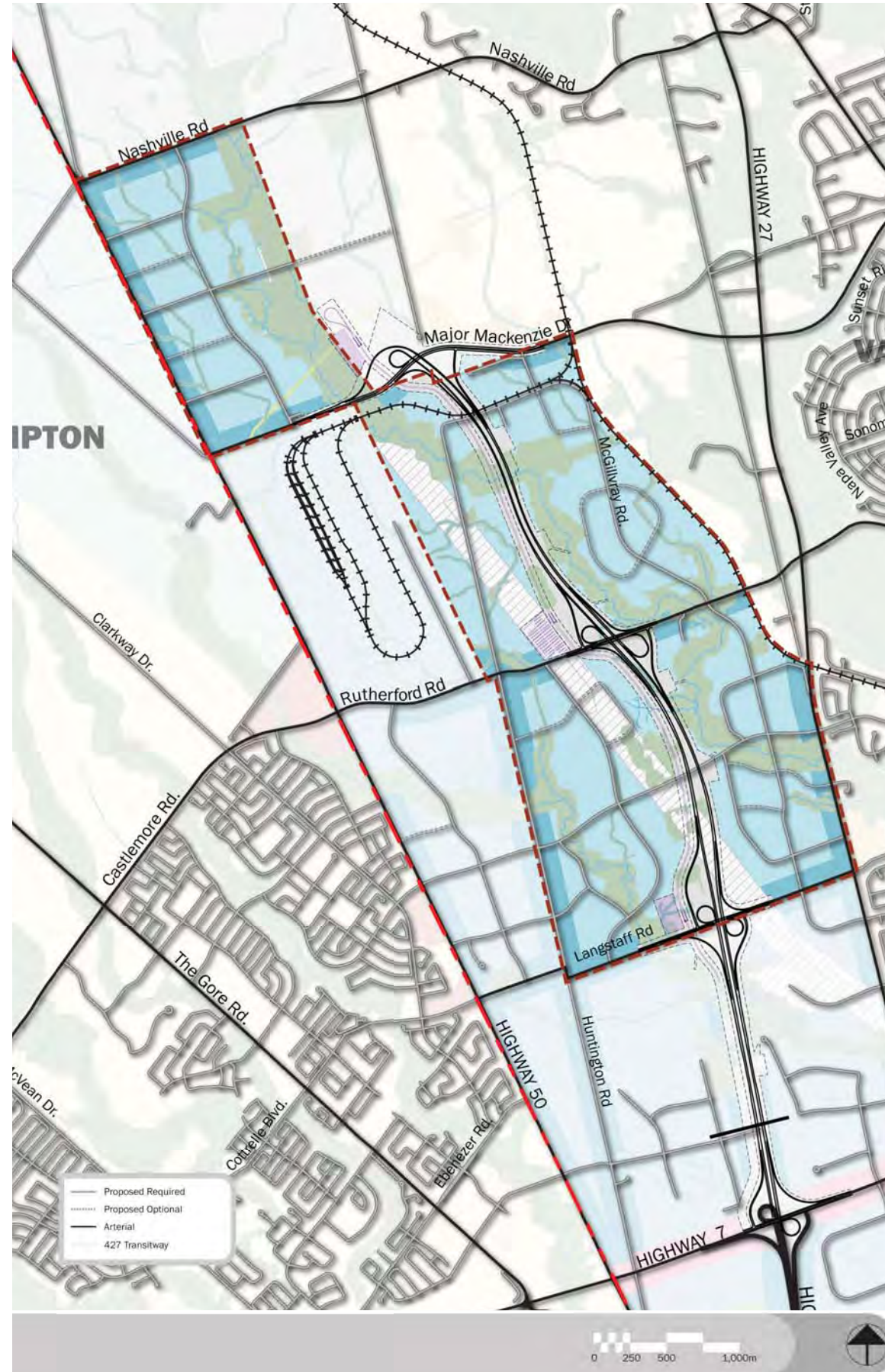


West Vaughan Employment Secondary Plan

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Transportation

The WVEA's existing transportation infrastructure is limited primarily to arterial roads with few connections through the concession blocks. Planned transportation improvements, including a new local road network and expanded bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, will significantly enhance transportation options for the WVEA.

Two important initiatives are currently underway, independent of the WVEA Secondary Plan, that will significantly improve the viability of the WVEA as an important employment destination of choice. The 427 Transportation Corridor Environmental Assessment (the 427 Corridor EA) has identified a preferred route for the extension of Highway 427 to Major Mackenzie Drive. No construction schedule or budget has been determined for this initiative. York Region's Western Vaughan Transportation Improvements Individual Environmental Assessment (the Western Vaughan IEA) is identifying improvements to a variety of regional roads, including expanding parts of Major Mackenzie Drive, Rutherford Road and Highway 27 to accommodate six lanes of traffic (including two high-occupancy vehicle lanes), bicycle lanes and sidewalks.

Planning Directions

- Support transportation improvements identified in the 427 Corridor EA and the Western Vaughan IEA.
- Develop a grid-like network of local roads designed to service new development parcels, provide access to the CP Intermodal Terminal and the need for minimize truck traffic within the WVEA to travel on arterials
- Work with landowners and other appropriate agencies to secure grade separated crossings of the rail corridor
- Develop transit, bicycle and pedestrian networks and to ensure that development supports these modes of transportation
- Support long-term protection of the rail corridor and CP Intermodal Terminal for goods movement, employment-related uses, and future commuter rail.
- Support early implementation of rapid transit on Major Mackenzie Drive, Rutherford Road, Highway 27 and the future Highway 427 Corridor, including full integration with local transit service