

2012 Road Project Cost Limits Adjusted to \$2.3m and \$9.2m

In Appendix 1 - Project Schedules, i) Municipal Road Projects of the 2007 Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) document, there is a Section on Page 1-4 called TABLES: . These tables are used to categorize a project to a Schedule. Each Schedule designation provides an associated EA process to reflect the level of complexity and potential environmental impact of the project.

The Road Project Tables refer to a Cost Limit in millions of dollars for each schedule, that if not exceeded would categorize a project of that description as being a Schedule A, A+ or possibly a B. If the Capital cost of a project would exceed the Cost Limit, the project would require a designation as a Schedule B or C, depending on the project description.

As indicated in Appendix 1, these threshold cost limits are reviewed and adjusted on an annual basis. With the approval of the 2010 minor amendment, the annual adjustment is now based on the "MTO Composite Tender Price Index". The 2012* Cost Limit thresholds are \$2.3 million and \$9.2 million (previously shown in the 2007 MCEA document as \$2.2m and \$8.7m). The threshold limits for all years are as follows:

Year	MTO Composite Price Index	Average Annual Increase/Decrease	Cost Limits In Tables	
2007	172.25	5.09%	2.2m	8.7m
2008	189.89	10.24%	2.4m	9.5m
2009	213.21	12.28%	2.7m	10.7m
2010	196.76	-7.71%	2.5m	9.9m
2011	188.29	-4.30%	2.4m	9.5m
2012*	181.80*	-3.45* %	2.3m*	9.2m*

- * based on Ministry of Transportation Ontario information of June 7, 2012.

Cost Thresholds will be in effect from January 1 to December 31 of each year. The Cost Limit threshold in place at the time a project is initiated shall be the cost threshold used to determine the applicable Schedule and process to be followed throughout until the completion of the Class E A process. (Note: Some projects may have been initiated when the posted Preliminary 2012 Road Project Cost Limits were \$2.4m and \$9.4m)