

Statement

For Immediate Release

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The following statement was issued today by Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority

On August 23, 2017, Windsor-Detroit Bridge Authority (WDBA) announced that the timetable for our public-private partnership (P3) procurement process was being reviewed. Following discussions with our Proponents, WDBA has extended the Request for Proposals (RFP) stage of the procurement process by four months. This extension does not impact our commitment to begin significant construction of the Gordie Howe International Bridge in 2018.

With this extension, WDBA will receive Proponents' proposals in May 2018. Financial Close, which marks the completion of the procurement process, is planned for September 2018. Prior to this, the Preferred Proponent will be able to begin preliminary construction activities and site works.

WDBA is already making real progress on the Gordie Howe International Bridge project with more than \$350 million in ongoing works at the Canadian and US project sites. Throughout the procurement process, WDBA will continue to deliver [preparatory activities](#) on both sides of the border. Doing this work now enables our private-sector partner to begin construction as quickly as possible in 2018.

WDBA recognizes the strong interest that our stakeholders and communities on both sides of the border have in this historic project and we are committed to keeping the public informed of our progress and project milestones. For additional information on WDBA's P3 procurement process visit www.wdbridge.com/en/procurement.

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