

BACKGROUND

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METROLINX

[Metrolinx](#) (the Greater Toronto Transportation Authority) is a Crown Corporation of the province of Ontario. We were created to address the urgent need to improve and integrate transportation in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA--the metropolitan region encompassing the cities of Toronto and Hamilton and the regions of Durham, Halton, Peel and York).

Metrolinx operates within the legislative framework of the [Greater Toronto Transportation Authority Act, 2006](#) and the province's [Places to Grow – A Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe](#). Metrolinx is the third component in the Government of Ontario's three-part strategy to prepare the GTHA for growth and sustained prosperity. This includes *Places To Grow* and the 1.8 million acre protected *Greenbelt*.

Metrolinx's mission is to create a state-of-the-art transportation system that moves people and goods efficiently, economically and in an environmentally sustainable manner. We are working to create an integrated transportation system for the GTHA that enhances the economy, the environment and our quality of life. Every Metrolinx project and program works towards improving existing transportation services or introducing new services.

As part of its legislative mandate, Metrolinx:

- Provides leadership in the coordination, planning, financing and development of an integrated, multi-modal transportation network; and
- Acts as the central procurement agency for local transit system vehicles, equipment, technologies and facilities on behalf of participating Ontario municipalities.

Governance and Board of Directors

Metrolinx is chaired by Rob Maclsaac and is staffed by experts in relevant fields. The 11-member Board of Directors includes representatives of four regional municipalities and the cities of Toronto and Hamilton. They are as follows:

- Rob Maclsaac, Chair
- Peter Smith, Vice-Chair
- Roger Anderson (Durham)
- Paul Bedford (Toronto)
- Gary Carr (Halton)
- Fred Eisenberger (Hamilton)
- William Fisch (York)
- Adam Giambrone (Toronto)
- Norm Kelly (Toronto)
- Hazel McCallion (Peel)
- David Miller (Toronto)

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