Highway 410 to expand to 10 lanes

The Ontario Transportation ministry has announced plans to widen 12 kilometres of Highway 410 south of Queen Street in Brampton that currently experience daily gridlocks.

Announced Tuesday by Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation, the four-year-long project is billed as creating or sustaining more than 1,550 construction jobs.

The project includes:

- ?Repairing, repaying and expanding the six-lane section of Highway 410 to 10 lanes;
- ?Building one general purpose lane and one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction (for buses, taxis and cars with at least two occupants);
- ?Repairing seven bridges;
- ?Constructing two new ramps at the highway 401/403/410 interchange;
- ?Opening two new carpool lots;
- ?Installing concrete median barriers and high-mast lighting

?Our government is committed to improving infrastructure across the province,? Minister Del Duca said. ?This project is proof of our government's commitment to making the daily commute and quality of life better for Ontario families.?

The \$156.7-million contract covering work to be completed by the fall of 2018 was awarded to Brampton-based Aecon Construction and Materials Limited.