### Regional Municipality of Durham

## **Draft Regional Official Plan Review**

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To:

Planning and Economic Development

Committee

Region of Durham

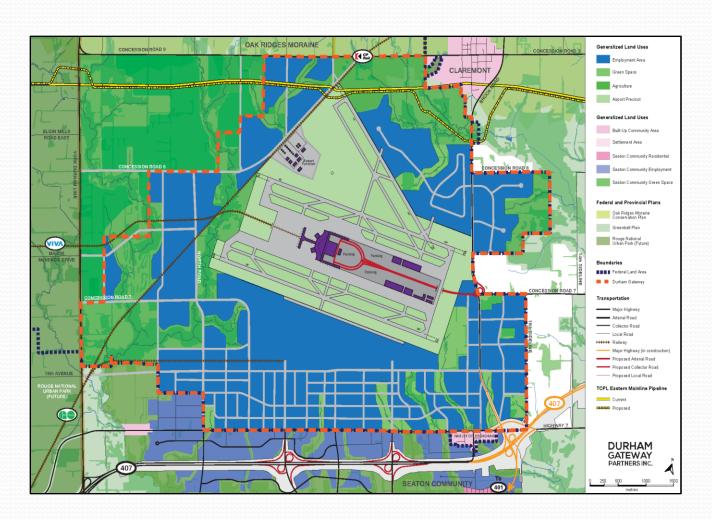
## A Transformational Project for the GTA East

• The full economic development of the Federal Pickering Airport lands including an airport.

"Economic Prosperity & Job Creation"

- An Airport-based Multi-modal Transportation Hub and Advanced Enterprise Zone.
  - The 5<sup>th</sup> Largest Commercial Airport in Canada; General & Business Aviation; Cargo/Logistics.
  - The Advanced Enterprise Zone: 3<sup>rd</sup> Largest Employment District in the GTAH.

### **Durham Gateway Concept Master Plan**



## The Opportunity to Create A Major Transportation/Transit Hub for the Eastern GTA

- The Airport and the AEZ becomes a destination that will drive the need for greater cross-regional network connectivity.
  - Highway 407 Transitway.
  - ViaRail(TBD) High Frequency Rail service Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal-Quebec City.
  - *Metrolinx* scheduled commuter-rail service from downtown Toronto to the airport and the AEZ.
  - Durham Region *Transit* and York Region *VIVA* linkages.
- Both a Destination and a Starting Point.

# Full Development of the Federal Pickering Lands Will Deliver...

### **Job Creation**

- 56,000 66,000 highquality permanent jobs.
  - Airport 15,000
  - AEZ 41,000 51,000
- 35,000 41,000 Work Years of Construction Trades Labour.

### **Economic Prosperity**

- \$10 Billion \$12 Billion Annual Regional Economic Benefits.
- \$260 million Annual Property Taxes.
- \$500 million Annual Federal and Provincial Income Taxes
- \$400 million
   Development Charges

### **Requests:**

- Reject the Anti-Airport Groups' messages that "There is no business case" and that Pickering airport is not needed ever.
  - There <u>are</u> business cases.
  - Additional airport capacity will be required in the GTAH well before 2041.
- Understand and embrace the full economic development of the Federal Pickering Lands and the enormous benefits it will deliver.

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- Work to advance development of these lands.
  - Federal Request for Proposals/for Expressions of Interest.
  - The Environmental Assessment.
  - The First Nations and Metis Nation Consultation Process.

#### Thank You.