

Development of a Risk Management Plan, Proposed Light Rail Transit (LRT) Corridor along Canadian Pacific ROW, Calgary, Alberta A Case Study

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Agenda

- **Background of Proposed LRT Corridor in Calgary**
- Overview of Risk Management Principles
- Approach Taken to Assess the Risks
- Outcome Risk Management Plan

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Overview of Proposed LRT Corridor

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Overview of LRT Corridor

Called the Green Line

- 2.96 miles along CP ROW
- CP Track speeds vary between 10 55 mph
- Track both at grade and elevated guideway
- Pedestrian Tunnel
- 5 LRT Stations on CP ROW





Overview of LRT Corridor

Train Traffic

- 30 trains/hour or 180 trains/day

Hours of Operation

— 21 hours per day (0430 – 0130)

Service Frequency

- 3 6 minutes during rush hour
- 10 minutes during mid-day and early evening (until 2100 hrs)
- 15 minutes late evening (until 0130 hrs) and early morning (from 0430 hrs)

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Overview of LRT Corridor

Train Speed

- 80 km/hour

Train Capacity

800 people at full capacity (4 car train)

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Overview of Risk Management Principles

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Risk Management Principles

- A common definition of "risk" is:
 - A deviation from a desired outcome that can be either positive or negative
- The "desired outcome" depends on your perspective and perception becomes reality which defines the risk

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Risk Management Principles

- The challenge is coming up with a common frame of reference in order to make informed decisions
- Given that perception drives risks, it is critical that the context is properly defined and easily understood
 - How large (or small) do you define your perspective?

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3,153,600,000 times per year

2,263,800 times per year

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Perception of Risk

- **Use lightning strikes** as an example
- Lightning strikes the earth about 100 times second
- **Frequency of strikes** depends on your frame of reference
 - Goes up the larger your perspective





Approach Taken to Assess the Risks

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Canadian Pacific Risk Management Framework





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CP Risk Management Framework

Under paragraph 2(e) of the Railway Safety Management System Regulations, SOR/2001-37, CP is required to complete a risk assessment as part of its safety management system whenever there is a "significant change to railway operations".





What was the "Change"?

- City of Calgary will utilize existing CP lands along the ROW in several areas that are within proximity of rail operations
- Potentially higher than normal safety risk due to proximity of construction activities to active rail operations
- Alignment of Green Line will require re-configuration of existing track

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Conduct the Risk Assessment

- CP determined a risk assessment was necessary to better understand the risks to:
 - Safety (public, CP employee, City employee, contractors)
 - Environmental Protection
 - Level of Service and Operations
 - Regulatory

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Establish Context

Articulate CP's objectives, define internal parameters to be taken into account and set the scope and risk criteria.

Risk Identification	Taking into consideration the design, construction an operation of the Green Line, what are the hazards th are being introduced?

Risk Analysis

What are the Undesired Events? What are the chances of the Undesired Events occurring and how can CP and City be exposed?

Risk Evaluation

Do any of the risks exceed risk tolerance levels? Are any of the risks considered acceptable?

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Methodology **Based on CAN/CSA ISO31000-10: Principles of Risk** Management





Conduct the Risk Assessment

The following steps were completed:

- 1. Identify key stakeholders CP and City of Calgary
- Identify Risk Assessment Triggers 2.
- 3. Define Scope and Project Details
 - **Site Visit and Background Studies** a)
 - **b**) **Constraint Analysis**
- Determine Risk Criteria aligned with the Risk Drivers 4.
- 5. Identify, analyze and evaluate the risks

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Risk Assessment Tools

- Facilitated process
- Use workshop sessions with relevant
 stakeholders and SME
- Consensus building
- Transparency







Risk Management Plan

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Process to Develop Risk Management Plan

- Determine risk tolerance level
- Evaluate and implement existing risk management strategies
- Determine if the "residual risks" are tolerable
- If not tolerable, evaluate additional risk management strategies
- Repeat cycle as needed

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When developing specific risk management strategies, there are several objectives to keep in mind:

- Avoid the risk by deciding not to start
- Take on the increased risk without implementing additional measures
- Remove the risk source
- Reduce the likelihood/frequency and/or consequences
- Share the risk with the other parties (i.e. insurance, contractual agreements, etc)





Risk Management Plan – Green Line

- **Design Modifications**
 - Closure of an at-grade crossing
 - Re-alignment of CP track
 - Increase elevation of guideway to prevent being struck by double-stack in the event of a derailment

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Risk Management Plan – Green Line

- 22 specific Risk Management strategies grouped under the following:
 - Construction Agreement
 - Maintenance & Access Agreement
 - Operating License
 - Communication Plan
 - **Environmental Management Plan**
 - Health, Safety & Security (HS&S) Plan
 - Emergency Preparedness Plan

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Thank You

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