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Responses to Frequently Asked Questions regarding proposed Mercier Bridge project

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(Kahnawake – 15, Seskéha/August 2019) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to inform the community that a list of responses to Frequently Asked Questions regarding the proposed Mercier Bridge project is available and can be accessed on the Kahnawake.com website (click here to view the document).

The questions were developed by the MCK and the Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office (KEPO) and include questions from community members that were brought forward by KEPO. The questions were sent to the Ministère de transports (MTQ), who provided responses.

"Since the project to replace the provincial section of the Kahnawà:ke-bound section of the bridge was announced by Quebec in 2017, we have made it clear that it was important that they provide answers for Kahnawa'kehró:non – including the MCK – regarding the various aspects of the project," said letsénhaienhs Rhonda Kirby. "This document, which was handed out at Tuesday night's Summer Community Meeting, should help to dispel some of the misinformation that has been making the rounds. We will work harder to ensure all of our concerns are addressed and any other questions answered before the next phase of work moves forward."

For clarity, the project to replace the Kahnawà:ke-bound section (which dates from 1932, when the bridge was built) is only in the planning stages. It will not be expanded in any way and will not involve the use of any additional lands.