



Secondary French Immersion

City of Markham/ Stouffville Area

December 1, 2014

Introductions

- Sonja Meehan Planning Services

Secondary FI Program

- FI program commenced at Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS in 2002
 - Only location serving City of Markham and portion of Stouffville
 - Oct. 31, 2014 FI enrolment:

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Total
146	136	92	95	469

- FI program is projected to continue to grow
- An additional FI secondary program is required due to:
 - Residential development in North Markham and Stouffville
 - Addition of elementary programs
 - Sir Wilfrid Laurier PS (2007)
 - Sam Chapman PS (2010)

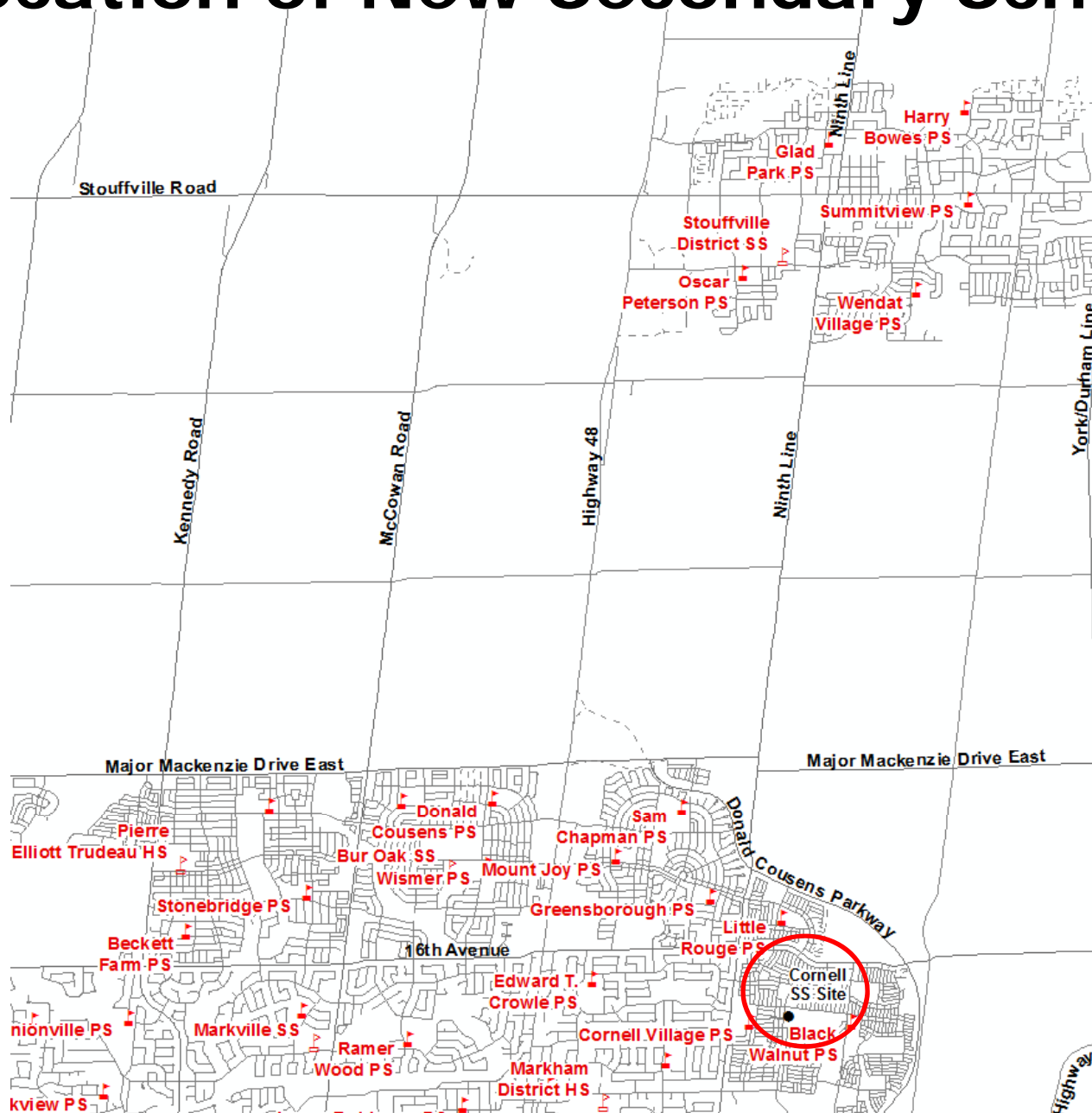
Evaluation of Secondary School Location for New Program

- Bill Crothers SS – Athletics program
- Bur Oak SS – holding for Cornell area
- Markham DHS – Gifted program
- Markville SS – Gifted program
- Stouffville DHS – residential growth
- Unionville HS – Arts program
- Middlefield CI, Milliken Mills HS – located in South Markham
 - Threshold for FI program in South Markham is still small

Secondary School Location for New Program

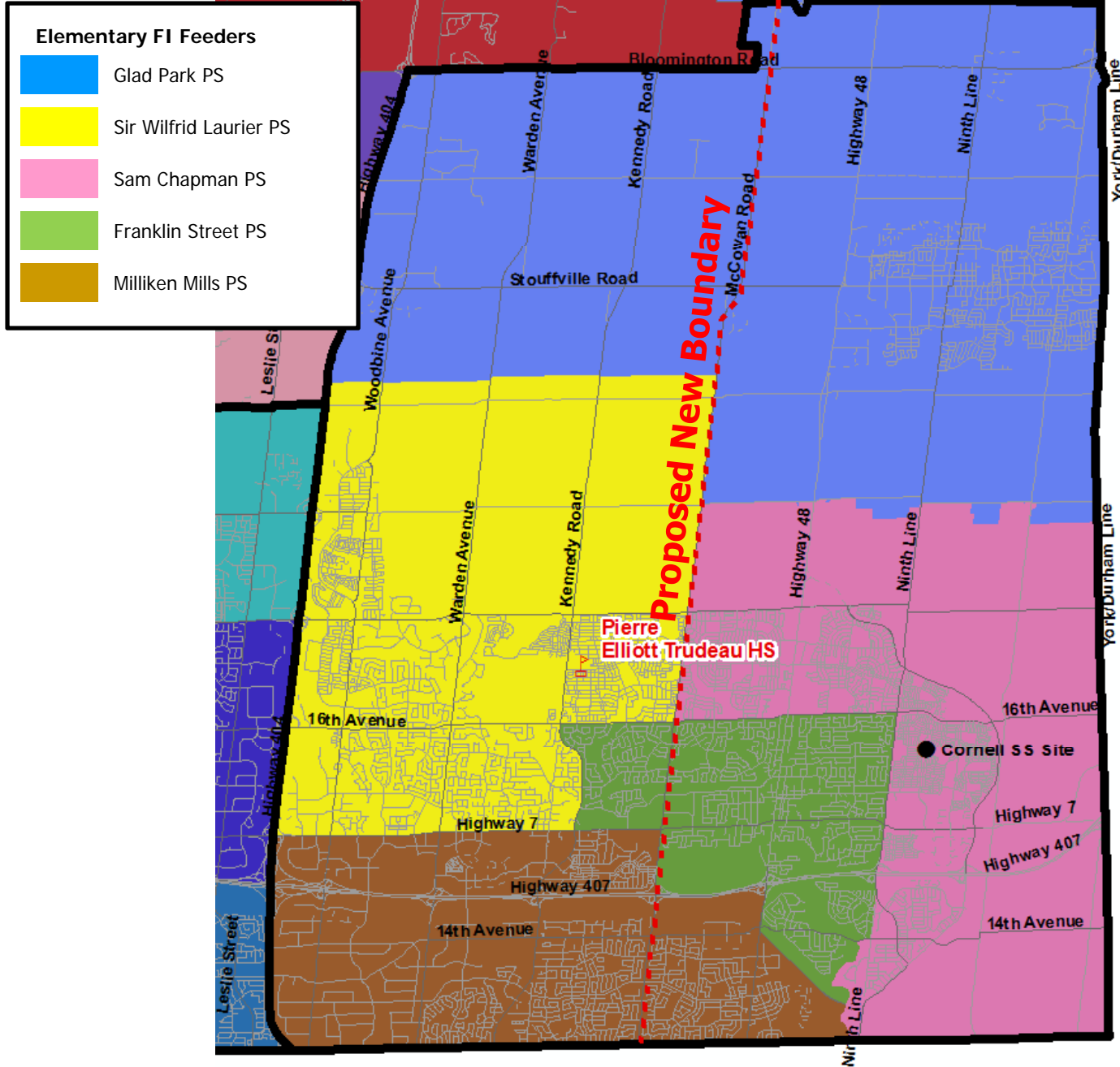
- A new secondary school will be opening in the Cornell area (16th Avenue and Ninth Line) in September 2017
- This new secondary school will serve the local area for regular programming and will serve a portion of FI from Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS

Location of New Secondary School



East of Bur Oak Avenue, south of Almira Avenue

New Secondary FI Program Proposed Boundary



Why Use McCowan Road Instead of Elementary Feeders?

- Proximity of students to each secondary school
- Using McCowan Road gives Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS accommodation relief
- Secondary Gifted program for Markville SS and Markham DHS will also be using McCowan Road

Timing and Students Impacted

- Begin the FI program at Unnamed Cornell SS in September 2017
 - New incoming Grade 9 FI students and;
 - Grade 10 FI students from the proposed boundary area (east of McCowan Road)
- Current FI students impacted are:
 - Grade 6's who will be Grade 9 in September 2017
 - Grade 7's who will be Grade 10 in September 2017
 - Will be required to be relocated to Unnamed Cornell SS for FI for grades 10-12

Projected Enrolment

Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS

Total Enrolment

2014	1928
2015	2077
2016	2280
2017	2157
2018	2111
2019	2085

FI

466
530
613
468
443
397

Unnamed Cornell SS

Total Enrolment

2014	
2015	
2016	
2017	470
2018	797
2019	1123

FI

228
363
520

FI Enrolment is included in the Total Enrolment column.

*Projections are based on assumptions of current rates of elementary student attendance to secondary schools, and pace of new residential development.

Transfers

- Transfers are outlined in our Board policy 108: Attendance Areas and Transfers
- Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS was closed to transfers in 2014-15 for regular programming
- Schools open/closed to transfers is reviewed on an annual basis

Transportation

- Transportation provided as per policy 680
 - Grades 9 to 12 – a secondary school student living in an area served by public transit is not eligible for Board-provided transportation
 - A secondary student living more than 3.2 kilometres from the nearest secondary school in an area not served by public transit is eligible for Board-provided transportation
- School bus transportation eligibility is reviewed annually as York Region Transit (YRT) adjusts and enhances service

Timelines

- School Councils Nov/Dec 2014
- Public Meeting Early Feb 2015
- Property Management Committee
February 17, 2015
- Board Standing Committee (Delegation opportunity)
March 24, 2015
- Board Meeting April 7, 2015

Questions?