Kitchener Extension

GO Expansion

GO service is expanding to serve you better - with more frequent service, more stations, cleaner technology, and more connections. Across the entire network, our goal is to deliver over 10,000 train trips a week - so you won't need a schedule because you know the next train will be coming soon. GO Expansion will transform the GO rail network from a commuter service into an all-day, rapid system.

The work has already started on the Kitchener Line to get you where you need to go, better, faster, and easier.

Project Overview

Today, the Kitchener Line between Kitchener and Georgetown GO consists of a single active track, where GO trains share space with freight traffic.

To enable two-way, all-day service on the Kitchener Line from Union Station to Kitchener GO - improvements will be made along the rail corridor and to some existing stations on the Kitchener Line.

The Kitchener Extension project will be completed in phases to deliver the required infrastructure.



Improvements

Here are some of the improvements we're making today to allow for more trips, more often on the Kitchener Line:

- Construction of a second platform at Guelph Central GO Station, south of the existing railway tracks
- A new storage track for maintenance vehicles west of Guelph
- A new 2.6 kilometer passing track in Breslau (part of Woolwich Township) located between Guelph and Kitchener GO Stations, to allow trains travelling

in opposite directions to pass each other.

Future phases of the Kitchener Extension project will include a passing track at Acton GO Station, a storage track for maintenance vehicles near Rockwood, a north platform extension at Guelph GO Station, expansion of the Shantz Station Road bridge and extension of the second track in the community of Breslau (part of Woolwich Township), as well as track re-alignments through the corridor.



Benefits

- Increased service levels will allow more people to choose transit for more of their trips and meet the needs of this growing region.
- The investment will reduce journey times between Kitchener and Union Stations from 111 minutes to 98 minutes.
- Walkable access to two-way, all-day rail service for a projected 54,000 residents and 33,000 jobs by 2041.
- The addition of passing tracks at strategic locations along the line will allow for more trains and more GO Transit trips.

What You Need To Know

- Construction will commence in May 2022 and will be ongoing until late 2026/early 2027.
- Additional GO service will be introduced incrementally as construction advances, and as key segments of work are completed.
- Metrolinx will communicate with the local community to ensure they are aware of any construction impacts.
- To ask a question about this project please e-mail our dedicated community engagement team.
- To subscribe to our regional e-newsletter(s) please visit metrolinx.com/subscribe.

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