Construction Update Scarborough Subway Extension

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Project Background

The Scarborough Subway Extension will bring the TTC's Line 2 subway service nearly eight kilometers farther into Scarborough, helping to reduce travel times and improve access to jobs, schools and other key destinations throughout the city. It will extend from Kennedy Station to Sheppard Avenue and McCowan Road, with three new stops at Lawrence and McCowan, Scarborough Town Centre and Sheppard and McCowan. The extension will replace the existing Line 3 (the Scarborough RT) and is estimated to be complete by 2029-30.

Construction Update for Sheppard and McCowan

Construction work is progressing at the corner of Sheppard and McCowan. Piling work was completed in September with approximately 315 reinforced concrete columns drilled to create a stable, water-tight barrier around the edge of the area that will be excavated. Excavation has now begun to prepare the launch shaft where the tunnel boring machine (TBM) will begin its journey south.

What to expect?

Excavation will require material to be dug up and removed, which will result in increased truck activity entering and exiting the site. Crews will be working hard to get the launch shaft prepared for the arrival of the TBM so tunnelling can begin in the spring. This will involve working evenings, weekends, and night shifts.

Safety

Please be aware that there will be an increase in truck traffic in the area and that pedestrians should always be aware of their surroundings. Keep your distance from any turning vehicles, make sure you are visible to the driver and avoid distractions like cellphones and headphones when crossing at the Sheppard Avenue and McCowan Road intersection. To ensure residents remain safe when large equipment and material is being transported in or out of the construction site, construction crews may temporarily close traffic lanes and sidewalks. As much notice as possible will be provided prior to any closures taking place.

During construction, every effort will be made to mitigate any negative impacts on air quality and noise. Monitoring equipment has been installed on site and in nearby locations to ensure construction teams adhere to City of Toronto air quality and noise level bylaws.

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