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Finch West LRT - Virtual Open House - June 2022

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Construction on the Finch West LRT continues to make excellent progress. This newest open house gives a behind-the-scenes look at work on the new 18 stop, 11 kilometre LRT line in northwest Toronto.

This virtual open house will be open from June 13th to June 24th, 2022, during which time you can review the [project progress presentation](#) and video and post a question, below, to get a response from project experts. You can also view the materials and questions from the [previous Finch West LRT virtual open house](#) held in November of 2021.

Presentation Materials

[Finch West LRT – Project Progress \(PDF | 38.0MB\) →](#)

Get a birdseye view of the action across all 11 kilometres and 18 stops of the Finch West LRT, and learn about progress on Toronto's newest light rail transit line.



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Traffic Split between Islington and Kipling

Anonymous

Jun 13, 2022 - 18:05

Noticed a lot of work done on the guideway between Islington and Kipling, is there an estimated date for when the traffic will be split in this section? Also, travelling on Islington towards Finch (north or south) is always congested, is there an estimated date for when the bridge rehabilitation work will be completed? Thank you, and keep up the good work!

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Answer

Metrolinx

Jun 17, 2022 - 17:39

Jun 17, 2022 - 17:07

Major rehabilitation work at Humber River Bridge will be completed this year. Some minor works such as sidewalk work will be extended into early next year. The traffic between Islington and Kipling will be split before end of this year.

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Future Traffic Lights

Anonymous
Jun 14, 2022 - 23:03

The project overview shows the track bed at road grade between Kipling and Islington, does this mean a future crosswalk with traffic lights will be added here? Similarly between Jayzel and Weston, the track bed is at road grade, does this mean a future crosswalk with traffic lights will be added here?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:47

All the at grade stops from Romfield Lane to Westmore Drive will have signalized crosswalks at the intersections. As part of FWLRT project, a future intersection between Farr Avenue Bridge and Islington Avenue is considered to connect Thistletown area to the Finch Avenue West. Guideway is flush with road at the intersections.

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Finch from Weston to Jane

Anonymous
Jun 13, 2022 - 18:41

Prior to the LRT construction, Finch had 3 lanes in each direction from Weston to Jane. The project overview shows that 6 lanes will be maintained in this portion of the road. Could you confirm this?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:38

Yes, three lanes in each direction will be maintained in the section between Weston Road and Jane Street.

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2023 finish line....???

Action Jackson
Jun 14, 2022 - 20:29

The pace of building this line, has been nothing short of amazing. I am still trying to believe this will be fully finished next year 2023, and we are already in June. Track/guideway has been lacking in areas like Martingrove, Albion, Kipling...but it's going to be a sight to see a train going up and down Finch.

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:51

Light Rail Vehicles are already running between Norfinch Drive to Sentinel Road for purpose of testing and commissioning.

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Guideway from Milady to Duncanwoods

Anonymous
Jun 15, 2022 - 15:45

When will the guideway/tracks be layed from milady to duncanwoods?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:51

We anticipate all guideway/track work to be completed in this area by end of this year (2022) barring no unforeseen circumstances.

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When will track bed/guideway be completed between Weston&Signet

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Edwin
Jun 21, 2022 - 18:22

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 Answer

Metrolinx
Jul 4, 2022 - 13:59

The guideway work at the intersection of Finch Avenue West and Signet Drive will start at the beginning of July and will be completed by the end of 2022. The guideway between Weston Road and Signet Drive is tentatively scheduled to be completed at the second quarter of 2023.

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 Pearldale/Milady Station Accessibility

Anonymous
Jun 24, 2022 - 10:44


For the Pearldale stop/station for the Finch West LRT, will the platform be accessible from Milady Road as well? Or does everyone need to walk to Pearldale to get on to the platform? I'm asking this since the distance between Milady and Pearldale is really short.

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 Answer

Metrolinx
Jul 4, 2022 - 14:00

There will be only one platform between Milady Road and Pearldale Avenue (Pearldale Stop)

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 Extension to Woodbine GO

Anonymous
Jun 14, 2022 - 10:24

When will the Finch West LRT be extended from Humber College to the future Woodbine GO? This is a critical link that would help fill a gap in the transit network. Also, it wouldn't be a very long or complex extension, it would be a quick win!

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 Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:42

At this time, the extension between Humber College, Woodbine Station and Pearson Airport is unfunded. However, the project work specific to planning the Regional Transit Centre falls with the GTAA. We recommend that you contact the GTAA directly at transit@gtaa.com in regards to planning timelines as they recover from the effects of COVID-19.

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 Emery Village Link 2A

Anonymous
Jun 13, 2022 - 18:33

Will the proposed "Emery Village Link 2A" road be delivered alongside the completion of the Finch West LRT?

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 Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:34

As part of FWLRT project, the future connection of road 2A to Finch Avenue West is secured but building the road 2A and connection to Finch Avenue West is not part of LRT project and City will be responsible for the road 2A connection.

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 Humber College Transfer to TTC

Anonymous
Jun 17, 2022 - 14:21

How is the interchange with TTC and Miway buses planned at this stop. Currently, looking at the construction, it looks like the stop is adjacent to highway 27 and that is atleast 400 metres from the current humber college bus stop.

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 Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 28, 2022 - 15:07

The Humber College terminal will have a direct pathway connection to the adjacent bus loop where TTC and regional bus services operate. The pathway will incorporate a canopy for weather protection.

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bike lane

Anonymous
Jun 25, 2022 - 22:41

Could you please provide a rough idea of how the bike lanes will look like?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 28, 2022 - 15:12

There will be bike lanes along the FWLRT route. These bike lanes will be elevated from the road, providing a buffer from adjacent traffic. Bike lanes will be 2.1 metres wide, while the Multi-Use Path (MUP) will be 3.5 metres of shared space. The MUP will be on the south side of Finch Avenue West between Weston Road and Norfinch Drive.

Bike lanes installation between Norfinch and Signet is planned for late summer-early fall of 2022. The portion between Signet and Weston is scheduled to be completed later in Fall 2022. However, bike lanes will remain closed as work continues throughout the area. These dates are tentative and may change.

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Train Length and Future Expansion

Anonymous
Jun 21, 2022 - 10:25

Are the stations equipped to handle adding extra cars if capacity warrants, and what will be the maximum capacity for the line?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 28, 2022 - 15:10

The service plan for the Finch West line does not anticipate the need for additional length consists for its 30-year lifespan. The Alstom Citadis has sufficient capacity for loading in this time frame. If necessary, additional vehicles could be brought on-line to decrease headways and increase capacity, however this is not expected to be needed.

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Great work!!

Gurjas
Jun 13, 2022 - 12:20

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:33

Thank you Gurjas! Your appreciation means a lot to our team.

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Are there counter measure for fare evasion?

Anonymous
Jun 14, 2022 - 11:57

I have seen many people illegally board busses and stations. For example people who enter the station through the bus entrance or people entering the back door and pretending to tap or not tap at all. Has Metrolinx considered a preventative measure?

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Answer

Metrolinx
Jun 17, 2022 - 17:44

Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) will be operating the line and enforce fare regulations as required.

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Ease of Future Extensions

Anonymous

Jun 16, 2022 - 14:27

Both termini (Finch West and Humber College stations) are underground. How difficult will it be to extend the line? Has room been given in the underground structure for future construction?

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Answer

Metrolinx

Jun 28, 2022 - 15:06

Both Humber College and Finch West are designed to protect for future extensions. In both cases, the conceptual design is for the LRT alignment to go back to grade level and continue south/east.

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Not a question but

Anonymous

Jun 13, 2022 - 12:22

Shout out to the construction crew and the office staff for doing a great job on making the fwrlt come alive!!!

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Answer

Metrolinx

Jun 17, 2022 - 17:33

Your appreciation for the crew and staff means a lot to us. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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Will the Ottawa LRT inquiry affect the Finch LRT progress?

Anonymous

Jun 19, 2022 - 23:59

The Ottawa LRT is undergoing a public inquiry and is hearing from Alstom regarding its Citadis Spirit LRV as well as Thales for its train control system. Both of these are going to be used on the Finch LRT line. Will the results of this inquiry have any potential impact on the construction and/or operation on Finch?

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Answer

Metrolinx

Jun 28, 2022 - 15:08

The Citadis Spirit is part of the proven Citadis range of Alstom light rail vehicles, of which more than 2,400 LRVs are in service in more than 50 cities in 20 countries.

Alstom has its resources and its global network of experts working on determining any issues they have experienced in Ottawa.

Any return on experience will be integrated where pertinent on Finch West or Hurontario by Alstom. This will not have an impact on the construction timeline for the Finch West LRT line.

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