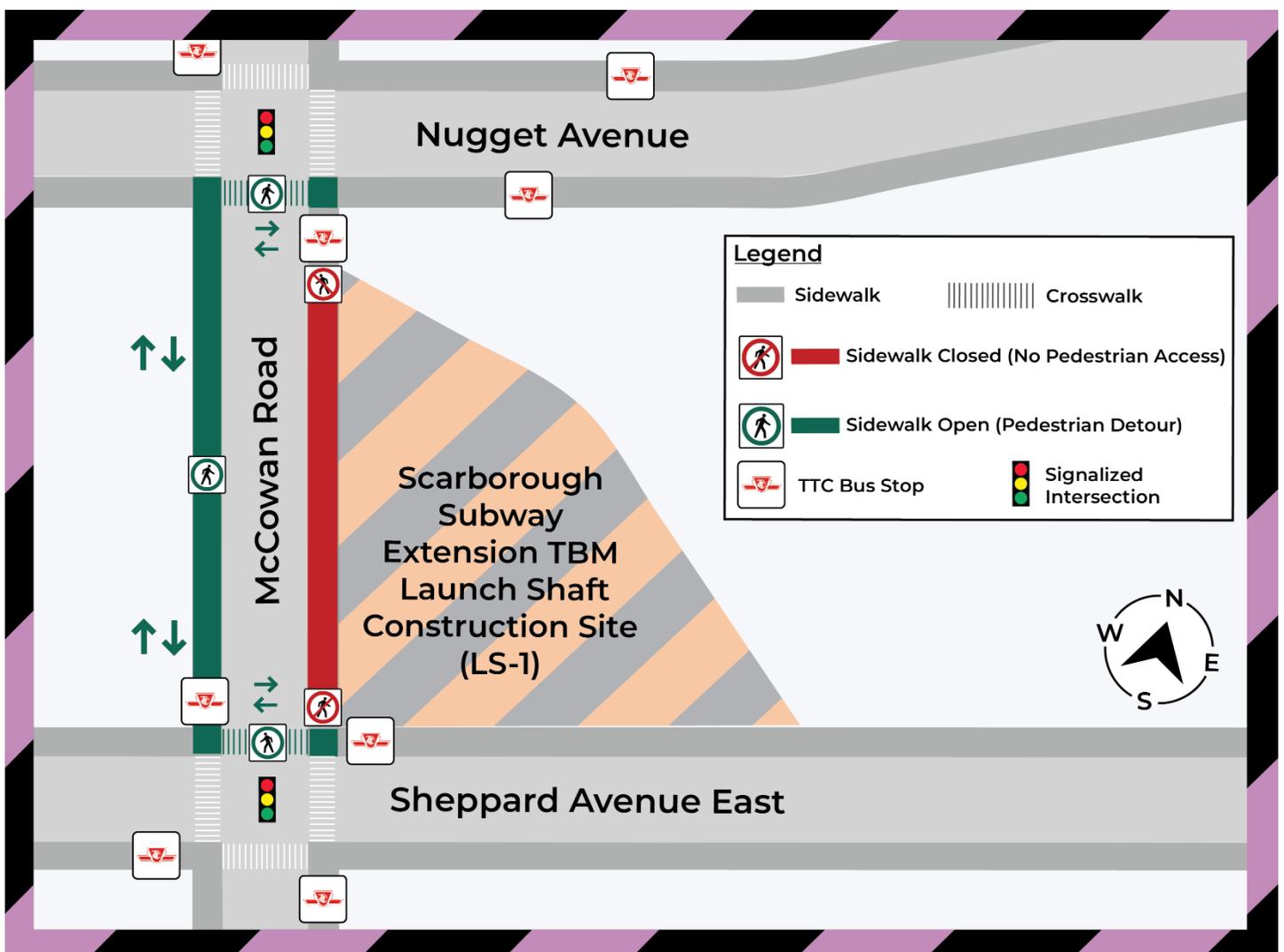


Start of tunnelling for the Scarborough Subway Extension

January 2023



Project background

The Scarborough Subway Extension will bring the TTC's Line 2 subway service nearly eight kilometres 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.

Start of tunnelling

Construction work for the Scarborough Subway Extension has been progressing well. In January 2023, the tunnel boring machine (TBM) started digging the tunnel for the subway extension.

What to expect?

The machine will be approximately 15 to 20 metres, on average, below the surface as it travels, so any noise and vibrations will be minimal. It will tunnel approximately 10 metres per day.

As tunnelling continues, all excavated materials dug up by the TBM will need to be transported offsite to licensed disposal sites. To accommodate the movement of large vehicles in and out of the construction site, the sidewalk on the northeast corner of McCowan Road and Sheppard Avenue is closed to allow trucks to safely enter and exit the construction site. Approximately 100 trucks will be moving in and out of the construction site daily. With the sidewalk being closed, pedestrian traffic will be detoured to the west sidewalk on McCowan road via the crosswalk on Nugget Avenue and Sheppard Avenue. The existing TTC bus stop on McCowan Road and Nugget Avenue will operate as normal.

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 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 the City of Toronto air quality and noise level bylaws.

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