

# Finch West LRT Project Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)

April 2023



# AGENDA

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- **Land Acknowledgement**
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  - Weston Road to Highway 27
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- **Communications and Community Engagement**



**Safety Moment**

# **Land Acknowledgement**

# METROLINX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Let us take a moment to acknowledge we are on lands that have been, and continue to be, home to many Indigenous Peoples including the Anishnabeg, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron-Wendat peoples.

We are all Treaty people. Many of us have come here as settlers, as immigrants or involuntarily as part of the trans-Atlantic slave trade, in this generation, or generations past.

We acknowledge the historic and continued impacts of colonization and the need to work towards meaningful reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge that Metrolinx operates on territories and lands covered by many treaties that affirm and value the rights of Indigenous communities, Nations and Peoples.

We understand the importance of working towards reconciliation with the original caretakers of this land. At Metrolinx, we will conduct business in a manner that is built on a foundation of trust, respect and collaboration.

# **Review of Previous March 7, 2023 CLC Minutes and Action Items**

## SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS CLC MEETING ACTION ITEMS

- No Action Items

# Important Milestones



# IMPORTANT MILESTONES

- Aluminum cladding works started in Finch West Station
- Westmore eastbound and westbound canopies installed
- OCS bases, duct bank, and track slab is completed in Finch West Station
- Permanent traffic signals installed on the east ramps of Highway 400 intersection as well as Sentinel Drive, Driftwood Avenue intersections to follow



*Photo: Westmore Intersection Westbound Stop. 2023.03.17*

# Finch West Station

# FINCH WEST STATION

## Keele Street and Finch Avenue West

- Structural and masonry works are complete
- All backfills completed around the station components
- Aluminum cladding works started
- Emergency exit building almost complete
- OCS bases, duct bank, and track slab is complete in Finch West Station, while rail installation is ongoing
- Elevators and escalators installation is ongoing
- Mechanical, electrical and plumbing is ongoing
- Architectural works including flooring finishes, doors frame installation, tiling, and painting continue
- Systems panels/racks/devices installation continue



Photo: Internal view of Finch West Station, Architectural & MEP Works. 2023.03.17

**Keele Street to York Gate Boulevard**



## KEELE STREET TO YORK GATE BOULEVARD

- Almost all the guideway works including duct bank, track slab, rail and OCS poles are complete
- Almost all curbs, sidewalks, bike lanes, and road works are complete with two lanes in each direction
- All stops' concrete platform, systems cabinet and canopies are complete
- Final wet utility works on the northwest corner of Keele Street intersection, and the south side of Finch West Avenue between Keele Street and Tangiers Road, are scheduled to be completed by mid to late April
- Radius curbs, streetlights, and traffic light works to follow in summer on the corners of Keele Street intersection
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact on the public
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Community members will be notified of any significant construction-related impacts, separately



Photo: Aerial view of Finch West Avenue and Sentinel Road, Looking East. 2023.03.16

# **Maintenance and Storage Facility**



# MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE FACILITY

- Interior and exterior building envelope completed
- Systems testing is ongoing
- Light Rail Vehicle (LRV) delivery continues
- LRV testing is ongoing on the guideway and inside the facility



Photo: Aerial view of Maintenance and Storage Facility, Looking Northeast. 2023.03.16

**York Gate Boulevard to Weston Road**



# YORK GATE BOULEVARD TO WESTON ROAD

## York Gate Boulevard to Signet Drive

- Guideway works are almost complete in this area
- Norfinch stops canopies are installed with the Signet stop to follow
- Multi-Use Pathway tunnel installation is completed
- Permanent traffic lights installed on the east ramps of the Highway 400 intersection
- Signet eastbound canopies to be delivered and installed in April
- Final dry utility and boulevard works continue



Photo: Aerial view of Finch Avenue West and Highway 400, Looking West. 2023.03.16



# YORK GATE BOULEVARD TO WESTON ROAD

## Signet Drive to Weston Road

- Wet and dry utility relocation is ongoing
- Guideway work has started in this area with OCS bases installation while traffic shifted to the north
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact on the public.
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and detour signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Community members will be notified of any significant construction-related impacts, separately
- Occasional night work occurs from 6 pm - 7 am



Photo: Finch Avenue West and CP Bridge, Looking West. 2023.03.16

# **Weston Road to Highway 27**



# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Weston Road to Jayzel Drive

- Utility works continue westward at Weston Road intersection
- Weston Road intersection guideway works are scheduled to start mid-spring after the completion of wet utility works on the east side
- West of Weston Road to Jayzel Drive, utility works continue, and guideway works scheduled to start in spring
- Road widening and boulevard works have started



Photo: Aerial view of Finch Avenue West and Weston Road, Looking West. 2023.03.16



## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Jayzel Drive to Islington Avenue

- North and south widening completed, curbs and sidewalk works continue while almost all the duct bank works are complete, and track slab is progressing
- Wet and dry utility relocation continues in multiple areas
- Guideway work ongoing from east of Jayzel Drive to Islington Avenue, while duct banks are poured, track slab to follow
- Milvan eastbound, Duncanwoods and Islington eastbound platforms concrete works continue, Pearldale platforms to follow
- Pearldale Avenue and Milady Road intersections are scheduled to be reopened in April after track slab completion, boulevard works to follow
- Rolling traffic plans in place in this area



Photo: Aerial view of Finch Avenue West and Gracedale Boulevard, Looking West. 2023.03.16



# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Islington Avenue Intersection

- Bridge rehabilitation started in April 2021, and is almost complete
- Guideway works completed for the bridge and northbound and southbound lanes are open
- Islington westbound stop platform completed, and canopies are installed
- Eastbound platform concrete works continue



Photo: Aerial view of Finch Avenue West and Islington Avenue, Looking Southeast. 2022.12.22

## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Islington Avenue to Kipling Avenue

- North widening, sidewalk and curbs are almost completed
- Guideway works including excavation, duct bank, track slab, OCS bases and poles are almost completed
- Rail installation is ongoing
- South sidewalk and curbs to follow north side



Photo: Finch Avenue West and Kipling Avenue, Looking East. 2023.03.16



# WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

## Kipling Avenue to Martin Grove Road

- Guideway works between Kipling Avenue and Martin Grove Road are almost complete except west half of Kipling and the east half of Albion intersections
- Kipling Avenue and Albion Road intersections guideway works will be complete in late April and May, respectively
- Martin Grove and Stevenson stops concrete pours are complete, while Kipling and Albion eastbound stops are ongoing
- Martin Grove and Stevenson canopies to be delivered and installed in the coming weeks
- Remaining widenings, curbs and sidewalks are ongoing between Kipling Avenue all the way to Martin Grove Road on both sides

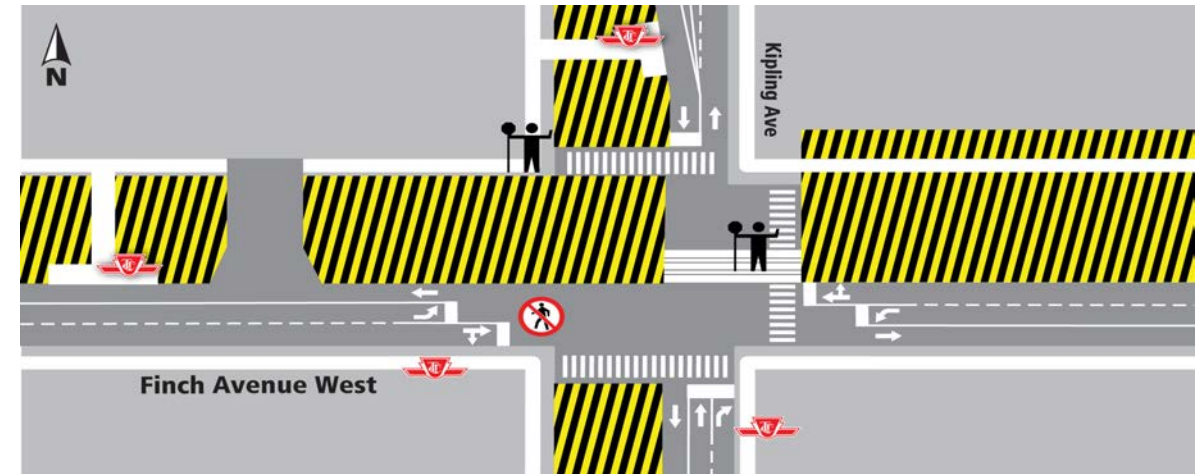


Photo: Finch Avenue west and Kipling Avenue intersection Traffic Configuration

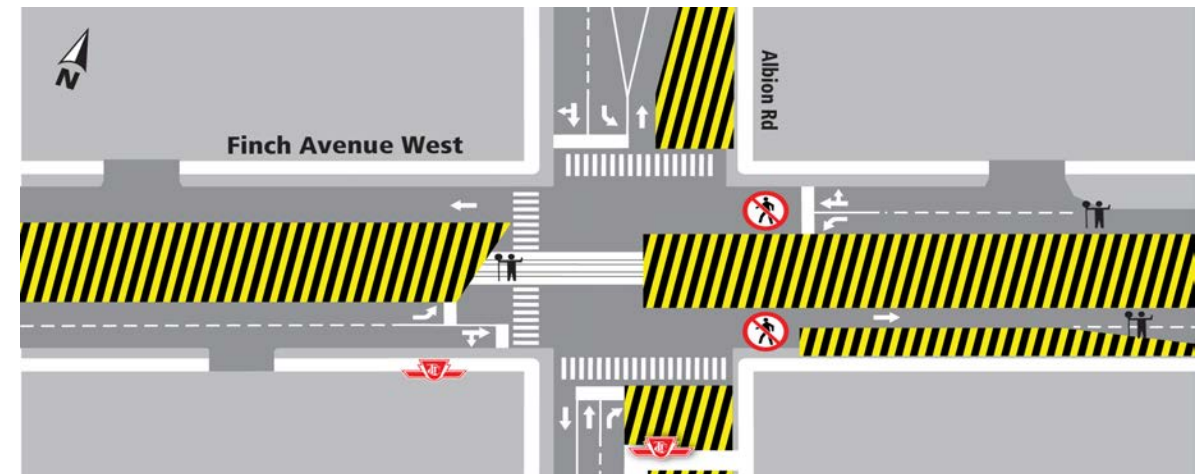


Photo: Finch Avenue west and Albion road intersection Traffic Configuration



## WESTON ROAD TO HIGHWAY 27

### Martin Grove Road to Highway 27

- Between Martin Grove Road intersection to Humber College Station, OCS bases, duct banks, and track slab are complete
- Westmore platforms concrete completed, and canopies installed
- Telecom, streetlight, and traffic light works continue in Highway 27
- Curbs, sidewalks, and bike lane to follow dry utility works
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact on the public
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Community members will be notified of any significant construction-related impacts, separately



Photo: Aerial view of Finch Avenue West and Damascus Drive, Looking West. 2023.03.16

# Humber College Station

# HUMBER COLLEGE STATION

## Highway 27 to Humber College Boulevard

- Utility, excavation, structural, and masonry works are completed in Humber College Station
- Duct banks are completed, while the final track slab and rail installation are ongoing
- Architectural works such as curtain wall and aluminum cladding, drywalls, doors frame installation, flooring, tiling, and painting ongoing
- Elevators assembly ongoing
- Mechanical, electrical, and plumbing work ongoing
- Access road to Humber College is completed and covered walkway and parking grading works started
- Field modifications may occur to complete work safely and minimize impact on the public
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
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Photo: Humber College Station, South Building. 2023.03.17

# Light Rail Vehicle Testing



# LIGHT RAIL VEHICLE TESTING

- Fourteen vehicles have been received, and four more expected
- Thirteen Light Rail Vehicles (LRVs) have completed high-speed testing (around 60 km/hr)
- LRVs delivery is scheduled to be completed by mid to late Spring
- Signs are installed to keep residents informed about road closures
- Paid Duty Officers, flaggers, and detour signs will be used to direct traffic and improve safety as needed
- Notices will be shared, and Community members will be notified of related impacts



Photo: Light Rail Vehicle in Maintenance & Storage Facility. 2023.03.22

# **Communications and Community Engagement**

# COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## Completed

- March Break event at Yorkgate Mall, for business and community engagement
- Metrolinx Q1 2023 Newsletter
- York University Diversity and Equity Employer Meet and Greet
- Participated in the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination event
- Reece Martin, YouTube Creator, tour and video of the Finch West LRT for social media



Photo: York University Diversity and Equity Employer Meet and Greet



Photo: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination event



Photo: Project Newsletter.



Photo: Reece Martin operating LRV simulator



# COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## Upcoming

- Career Fair Emery Village BIA
- Internship Program “Kick-off” event
- Duke Heights BIA’s “Duke Eats Event”
- Humber College Open House event
- Building Diversity Awards Gala
- Finch West LRT Virtual Open House  
May 15 to 19
- Ongoing construction progress stories  
and social media posts



Photo: Duke Eats Event 2019



# KEEPING YOU INFORMED

## Communication Methods

- Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)
- Emails to Mailing List, Weekly E-Newsletter, Project Website Updates
- Construction Notices
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)
- Metrolinx News Blog
- Social media - Geo-targeting
- Community Project Updates through brochure , Quarterly Newsletters and postcards
- Wayfinding and Signage
- Billboards

## Engagement Tools

- Virtual Open House via Metrolinx Engage
- Working or Advisory Group Meetings
- Business Liaison
- Public Meetings



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# NEXT CLC MEETING

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 2, 2023,  
via Microsoft Teams.



**Thank you and Stay Safe**

