

Early Works to begin near East Harbour Transit Hub including Overnight Work

Late February to May 2023



A map showing the work zone. The work zone depicted is approximate and for illustrative purposes only.

What is Happening

As part of early works for the East Harbour Transit Hub, crews will be mobilizing and setting up on site for future construction activities. These early works include the installation of fencing, placing trailers, and preparation of the site including some vegetation removal. Crews will access the site from the existing entrance on Eastern Avenue. For a full list of construction activities please see the table on the next page.

SmartTrack East Harbour Transit Hub

The new East Harbour Transit Hub will be located just east of the Don River and north of Lakeshore Boulevard East, in the Riverdale neighbourhood. This interchange station, on the Lakeshore East GO line, will provide seamless connectivity to more GO services, the future Ontario Line, and the TTC Broadview streetcar, in a corner of the city that is poised for growth. It will also divert some of the commuter traffic away from Union Station, as the East Harbour Transit Hub, will be an alternate station for transferring between transit lines and services.

Construction Activities	Schedule Start Date	Expected Duration	Work Hours	Description of Work
Geotechnical Testing & Sampling	Late February 2023	Approx. 2 Weeks	Day & Overnight Shifts	Crews will use a track mounted drill rig to drill one borehole at a time for soil investigation within the rail corridor. The duration for intermittent night work is approximately 2 weeks.
Utility Daylighting and pre-construction investigative works and removals	Late February/ March 2023	Approx. 4 weeks	Day & Overnight Shifts	Existing underground utilities will be uncovered in small sections using a hydrovac truck. This work is done to locate and record depth for the protection of existing utilities. Each area will be immediately backfilled. The duration for intermittent night works is approximately 4 weeks.
Vegetation removal	Late February/ March 2023	Approx. 2 weeks	Day Shift	Some vegetation will be pruned or removed to provide safe access for construction activities. Tree protection fencing will be installed, and trees marked for removal will be safely cut and moved away for chipping.
Setting up work zone in the Rail Corridor	April 2023	Approx. 4 weeks	Overnight shift	Temporary Concrete Barriers (TCBs) and fencing will be brought into the rail corridor to set up a continuous work zone
* Please note that work may be rescheduled due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances				

Hours of Work

Day work is expected to take place Monday to Friday, 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Overnight work is expected to take place Monday to Saturday, 7:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.

Why Overnight?

Overnight work is necessary, as this work cannot be completed safely for construction crews while trains are active and running during the day.

What to Expect

Residents should expect fencing to be installed, increased project traffic, some noise, vibration, dust, and site lighting. Our operation staff will take precautions to minimize disturbances to residents, businesses, and commuters, including but not limited to the following:

- No idling of non-essential equipment

- Pointing lights away from residential windows
- Work area will be safely delineated

Traffic and Pedestrian Details

- Increased construction vehicles and equipment can be expected in the work area, and along Eastern Avenue.
- Pedestrians will not be impacted at this time.
- Please exercise caution around active construction sites.
- Access to driveways will be maintained.
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Community Engagement

MetroInx has a dedicated community engagement team that works with residents and businesses in the Toronto East area. If you have any questions, please contact us using the information provided below.

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