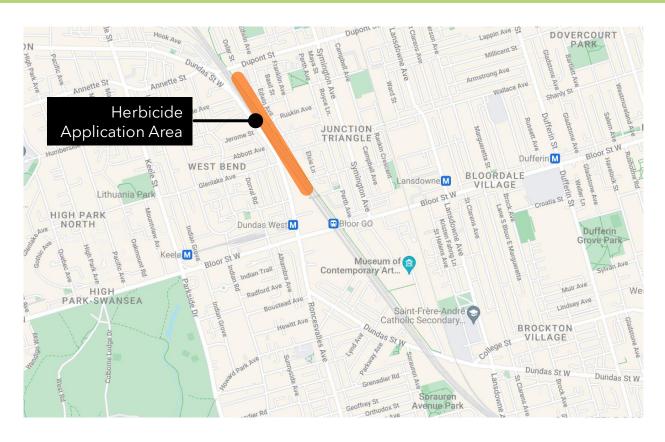
# Dog Strangling Vines Removal

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# **Project Overview**

GO service is expanding to serve you better - with more frequent service, more stations, cleaner technology and more connections. Across the entire network, our goal is to deliver over 10,000 train trips a week - so you won't need a schedule because you know the next train will be coming soon. GO Expansion will transform the GO rail network from a commuter service into an all-day, rapid system.

Metrolinx will be building a new track on the Kitchener GO line, next to the West Toronto Railpath (WTRP). Part of this work will include construction of a new entrance to Bloor GO Station, a new

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community park at Ernest Avenue and a realignment of the railpath, on behalf of the City of Toronto.

# What You Need to Know

Herbicide will be reapplied to areas of the railpath containing dog strangling vines (part of the milkweed family), during the week of May 29. Dog strangling vine (Vincetoxicum rossicum/nigrum) is an invasive plant that can strangle other vegetation, growing up to two metres high by wrapping itself around other plants and trees. The plant can produce up to 28,000 seeds per square metre, and new plants can also grow from root fragments, making it especially difficult to remove.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

- Crews will apply an application of Roundup
  Weathermax herbicide to areas of the railpath between
  Dupont Street and Ernest Avenue during the week of
  May 29.
- Signage will be posted in the affected areas prior to the application of herbicide.
- There will be no entry to the treated areas for at least one hour following herbicide application. The area will be safe for people and pets once it has completely dried. After approximately two weeks, the dead vegetation will be cut and removed.
- Please keep to the paved path until all removal work is complete. Path users may be briefly stopped by flagpersons to ensure your safety while this work occurs.
- Please respect all safety and exclusion measures installed to protect you. Thank you for your patience as we work to transform the rail corridor in your area.

## **HOURS OF WORK**

- This work will take place between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.
- These dates are tentative and may be subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances
- Work will be conducted as quickly and efficiently as possible to minimize disturbances, but residents and businesses in the area can expect to hear noise caused by trucks, equipment and machinery.