Lakeshore East rail corridor construction

Work schedule: Weekdays, 7a.m. to 7p.m., with select periods of

overnight work.

Duration: Scheduled for completion late fall 2023.



What is happening?

Construction work is underway in the Lakeshore East rail corridor to prepare for the future Ontario Line. Train track removals, utility relocations, partial bridge demolition, and temporary support work is now complete.

The following construction activities are expected to take place in the Lakeshore East rail corridor until late fall 2023:

Work in the rail corridor:

Construction Activities	Duration	Work Hours	Description	Equipment
Clearing, grubbing,	Ongoing for	Weekdays	Clearing of topsoil and vegetation inside the	Excavators,
grading, and	approx. three (3)		rail corridor between Eastern Ave. and Carlaw	loaders, and
preparatory earth	months	7 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Ave. Levelling and grading the track bed to	dump trucks
works			prepare for track realignment.	·
		Periodic night		
		work between		
		8 p.m 5 a.m.		

Work in the rail corridor (continued):

Construction Activities	Duration	Work Hours	Description	Equipment
Rail track tie replacements	Ongoing for approximately one (1) month	7 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Removal and installation of new rail track ties in the rail corridor between Easter Ave. and Carlaw Ave. This work is being done in preparation for the track realignment works scheduled to take place in September.	Spike puller, hammer, and tamper
Retaining Wall Removals (demolition)	Starting in September 2023 for approx. one (1) month	7 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Removal of the existing chain link fence and concrete retaining walls at Jimmie Simpson Park, 2 Paisley Ave., 926 Gerrard St. and between Dundas St. E. and Logan Ave. bridges.	Excavators, jack hammers, saws, and dump trucks
T-Wall Construction: Will occur on the south side of the rail corridor from Eastern Ave. to Dundas St. E.	Starting in October 2023 for approx. six (6) months		Excavation and temporary support works (shoring). Installation of pre-cast concrete block retaining walls (T-Walls). Backfilling soil behind the new wall.	Excavators, loaders, skid- steers, lifts, dump trucks, hammers, and other hand tools.

^{*} The activities listed above will take place within the rail corridor; no traffic or pedestrian impacts are expected. This work may be rescheduled due to inclement weather and/or unforeseen circumstances.

Work outside of the rail corridor:

Utility installations and reconstruction of the GO rail bridges at Queen St. E., Logan Ave., and Dundas St. E. will also continue through late fall 2023. Some work will require road, sidewalk, TTC and GO rail closures. Additional notices will be issued for these activities before work takes place.

Hours of work

- Day time work is expected to take place Monday to Friday between 7 a.m. 7 p.m.
- Overnight work is necessary to complete activities that crews cannot do safely while trains are operating during the day.
- Work within the Lakeshore East rail corridor will continue through December 2025 to upgrade the existing GO rail infrastructure in preparation for Ontario Line station construction.

What to Expect

- Noise from construction equipment mentioned above can be expected.
- Noise mitigation measures will be implemented during the day and overnight as needed.
- Individual notices will be issued when construction work impacts traffic, pedestrians or requires disruptions to TTC or GO Train services.
- Overnight site lighting will be positioned downward into the rail corridor and away from residential properties.
- Construction equipment and materials will be secured within the work zones.

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