

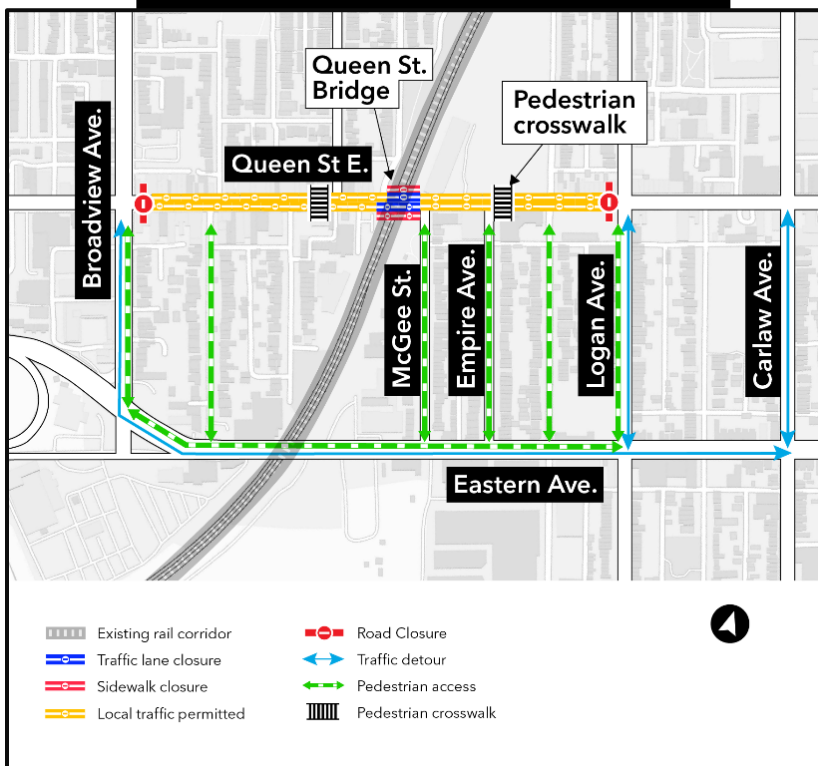
Queen Street East overnight weekend road closures for bridge reconstruction

Queen St. E. road closures:

- Sunday, September 24 at 1 a.m. until Monday, September 25, 2023, at 5 a.m.
- Friday, September 29 at 10 p.m. until Monday, October 2, 2023, at 5 a.m.

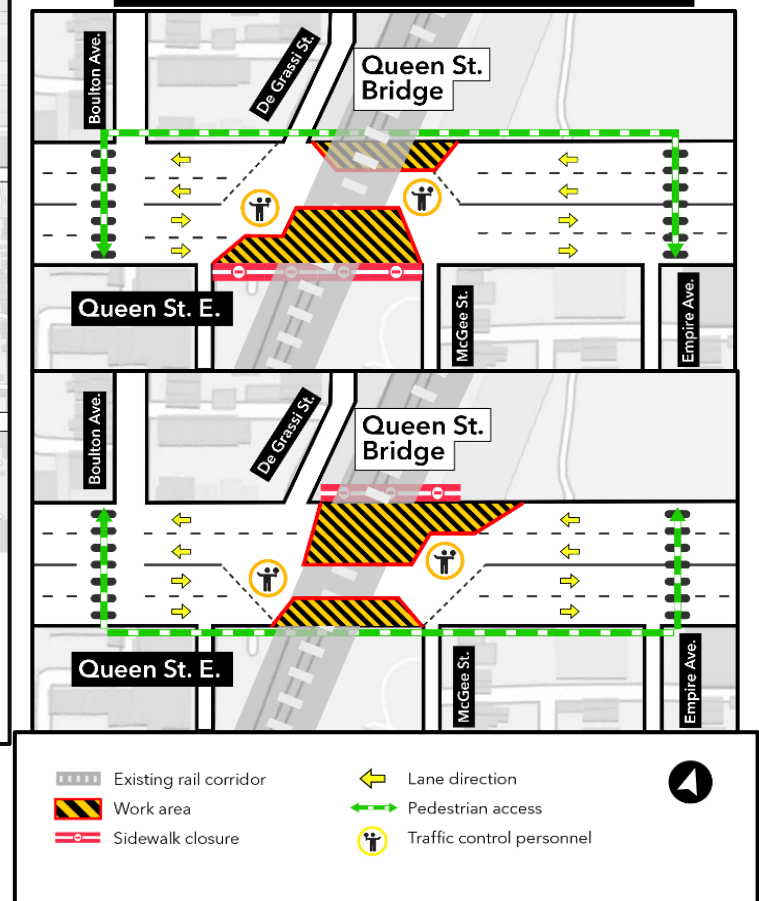
Overnight work: Friday, September 22 until Monday, October 2, 2023, from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m.

Queen St. E. weekend road closures:



Nightly lane closures:

Sept. 25 - Sept. 30



What is happening?

- Queen Street East will be closed on the following dates to allow major construction work at the rail bridge:
 - Sunday, September 24 at 1 a.m. until Monday, September 25 at 5 a.m.
 - Friday, September 29 at 10 p.m. until Monday, October 2, 2023 at 5 a.m.
- Overnight work will be required to ensure construction is completed safely and quickly, with as little traffic and transit disturbance as possible.
- Noise mitigation measures will be implemented during this work as required. For more information, please read the noise mitigation details below.
- This work is critical to enable the reconstruction of the Queen Street East bridge. GO Train service on the Lakeshore East corridor and TTC 501 Queen streetcar service will be impacted.
For more information, please read the Transit Information details below.

Construction details and schedule

Friday September 22 - Monday September 25, 2023:

- **Hours of work:** Continuous overnight work from 10 p.m. on Friday September 22 until 5 a.m. on Monday September 25.
- **Track realignment:** Saws will be used to cut rail tracks. The tracks will then shift to the west side of the rail corridor where they will be installed in their new position. This work will take place throughout the weekend.
- **Bridge demolition:** Excavators, saws, and jackhammers will be used to break and demolish concrete that forms part of the bridge in areas that can only be accessed when the rail corridor is closed. This work will take place from the night of Sunday September 24 until the morning of Monday September 25, 2023. This work cannot take place until the track realignment is complete which means the demolition work needs to take place overnight.
- **Hauling:** Materials, including concrete, steel, rebar, and granular will be loaded into dump trucks and hauled off site for disposal.
- **The Queen Street East road closure on Sunday, September 24 allows work to be completed in one (1) week instead of two (2) weeks.**

Monday September 25 - Friday, September 29, 2023:

- **Hours of work:** Piling work will take place during the day between 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Reinforcement works will take place overnight between 8 p.m. - 4 a.m.
- **Piling works:** Pile drill rigs will be used dig holes into the ground which will then be filled with rebar and concrete to form temporary bridge support structures called caissons.
- **Reinforcement works:** Welding equipment and other hand tools will be used to construct the steel beams on the bridge deck.

Friday, September 29, 2023 - Monday October 2, 2023:

- **Hours of work:** Continuous overnight work from 10 p.m. on Friday September 29 until 5 a.m. on Monday October 2.
- **Bridge demolition:** Saws, jackhammers, excavators, loaders, and dump trucks will be used to demolish concrete and remove materials from the Queen Street East bridge.

What to expect

- Noise from construction activity including concrete breaking, rail cutting, and movement of equipment and materials mentioned above can be expected.
- Clear signage will be in place to direct vehicles and pedestrians.
- Traffic barrels, fencing, and barriers will be in place to separate and secure work zones.
- Site lighting will be positioned downward into the rail corridor and away from residential properties.
- Clear signage will be posted to direct pedestrians and drivers, including lane reduction signage.
- Construction equipment and materials will be properly secured within work zones.
- Work may be delayed due to inclement weather and/or unforeseen circumstances.



EXCAVATOR AND LOADER



SAW CUTTER



DUMP TRUCK

Traffic and pedestrian details

Queen Street East road closures:

- No traffic or pedestrian access will be permitted beneath the Queen Street bridge between McGee Street and Degrassi Street during the road closure times listed above.
- Access for residents and businesses (local traffic) will be maintained between Broadview Avenue and Logan Avenue.
- Signage indicating that Queen Street East is closed except for local traffic will be posted at Broadview Avenue and Logan Avenue to direct drivers.
- Traffic will be diverted both ways via Logan, Eastern, Broadview, and Carlaw Avenues.
- Advance signage will be in place to notify drivers, and pedestrians of the closure.

Nightly lane closures:

- From Monday September 25 - Friday September 29, 2023, between 8 p.m. - 4 a.m.
- Traffic on Queen Street East will be reduced to one lane only with traffic alternating in each direction.

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- Alternating sidewalk closures will be in place on the north and south sides of Queen Street East underneath the bridge.
- **Traffic lanes and sidewalks will only be closed at night and will reopen during the day after each night of work.**
- Traffic control personnel and/or a paid duty office will be present to direct traffic and pedestrians.
- Traffic lanes will shift to the north and south sides of the street as work progresses from one end of the bridge to the other.

Transit information

- **There will be no train service on the Lakeshore East Corridor starting the evening of Friday, September 22, until end of service on Sunday, September 24, 2023.** Buses will replace some train service during this time. For more information on GO service impacts, please visit the **GO website**.
- The 501 Queen streetcar will be impacted from Sunday September 3 – Sunday October 8, 2023. For more information on TTC service changes, please visit www.ttc.ca/service-advisories, or follow @ttcnotices.

Why overnight?

- Overnight work is required to ensure construction crews have enough time to complete all necessary activities during the closure of Queen Street East and the GO Train service on the Lakeshore East corridor.
- It is not safe for construction crews to move GO tracks while trains are running in the rail corridor during the day.
- For public safety, Queen Street East must be closed during bridge demolition works.
- Work with significant traffic impacts will be done at night and over the weekend to minimize impacts to the travelling public and reduce the length of construction.

Noise mitigations

- When possible, on-site noise mitigation measures including temporary noise barriers and broadband vehicle back up alarms will be used to help reduce noise.
- Noise monitors are in place at and around the Queen Street bridge to ensure noise levels stay within acceptable levels.
- Crews will do their best to schedule noisier work during the day.
- A 24/7 hotline (416-202-5100) is in place to report issues and concerns.

About the project

- 15.6-kilometre subway line that will make it faster and easier to travel within Toronto and beyond.
- 15 stops and more than 40 connections to other transit, including GO train, subway, LRT, streetcar and bus lines.
- Approximately 40 minutes from one end of the line to the other.
- 28,000 fewer cars on the road each day.