

Kitchener Fourth Track Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)

Thursday, Sept 14, 2023

Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Land Acknowledgment
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- Community Engagement

Land Acknowledgement

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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.

Safety Moment

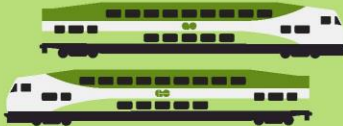
Project Overview

The GO Expansion program will provide a range of improvements across the GTHA:

More all-day service



Service in both directions



Trains every 15 minutes or better



Faster and more efficient fleet



More accessible stations



An expanded Union Station



Over 10,000 weekly trips from 3500 weekly trips in 2019

New trains will reach speeds of 140km/h between stations, making the GO Train faster than taking a car in virtually every instance.

Improvements to stations access and boarding and alighting

Capacity for train and passenger movements for the rest of the century

Current

01



Every 30-60 minutes
limited weekend service



02



Most lines
peak direction only



03



Most lines
rush hour only



04



Diesel service



05



A commuter system



06



3500 trips/week in 2019



GO Expansion



Trains every 15 minutes or
better



Two way



All day, everyday



Faster, electrified
service



A regional backbone
connecting communities



Over 10000 trips/week

WHAT ARE WE DOING

Metrolinx GO Expansion Program

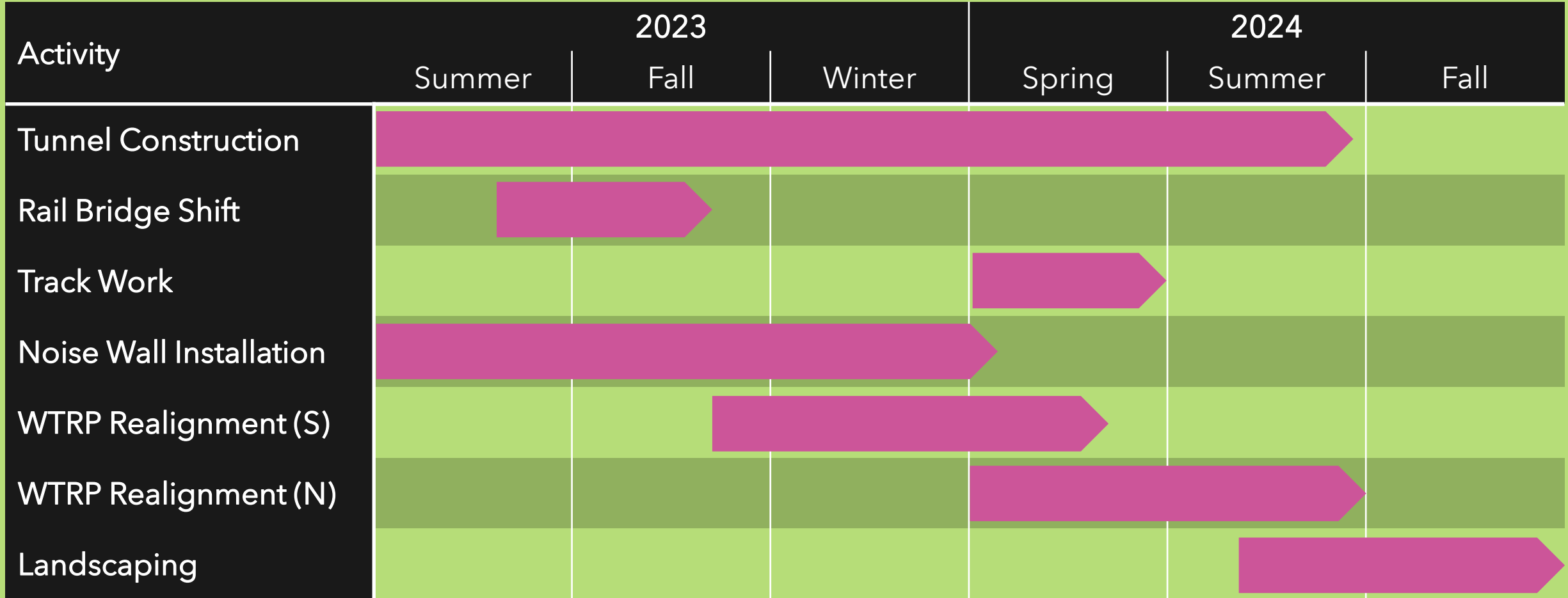
Metrolinx is working to transform the way the region moves by building a seamless, convenient and integrated transit network across the Greater Golden Horseshoe. Over the next 10 years, Metrolinx is transforming the existing GO rail system to deliver a whole new rapid transit experience to your community. With more frequent train service you will have more options to get where you need to go.

Kitchener GO Line Expansion

The Fourth Track Lansdowne to Black Creek project is a segment of work that is a part of the overall GO Expansion program. The realignment of the West Toronto Railpath will facilitate the new track to be installed and allow for more trains to be added to the Kitchener line. The Kitchener GO Line Expansion will bring all-day, two-way GO service for people across Toronto, Brampton and Kitchener.



PROJECT TIMELINE



This timeline may be subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances

COMPLETED

- Bridge Preparation Phases 1-3
 - Removal works (handrails, bolts, brackets, etc.)
 - New column and beam installation



IN PROGRESS

- Work inside the rail corridor
 - Noise Wall Installation



WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Bridge Shift**
 - Weekend of September 23/24.
 - Bloor St W full road closure from Dundas St W to Sterling Rd.
 - Bloor St entrance to Bloor GO/UP Express Station will be closed. Access available from Dundas St or Ernest Ave.



WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Bridge Work Phase 5**
 - Starting Monday Sept 25 for 1 week
 - Eastbound lane shifted to North side of the bridge



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Last week, a crane lifted a new column into place that will support the shifted Bloor Street Rail Bridge and move it into position for the new fourth track on the [#KitchenerLine](#). 🏗️ Once complete, the new track will support future service increases of trains every 15 minutes!



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Bloor Station (TTC Connection)

High Level Update

CREATING CONNECTIONS



Connect

Promote urban connectivity by bridging existing/proposed new communities and services in the Junction Triangle and West Bend across the GO Transit, Union Pearson (UP) Express and Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) networks.



Strengthen

Strengthen multi-modal connectivity between existing Bloor GO/UP Station and Dundas West TTC Station.



Enhance

Enhance customer journey and ease-of-access to multi-modal transit transfers.

WHAT WE'RE BUILDING

Construction Timeline:

- Start Date: November 2023
- Estimated Completion: March 2026

Construction timelines are subject to change.

- Metrolinx is building a 270-meter underground pedestrian tunnel extension connecting Bloor GO/UP Station to Dundas West TTC Station.
- Extending the existing south side pedestrian tunnel at Bloor GO/UP Station.
- A new TTC concourse with elevator access to platform level.
- Two elevators and a stairwell connecting the new Bloor GO/UP tunnel and the new TTC concourse.

Benefits



A shorter walk between Bloor GO/UP Station and Dundas West TTC Station.



Accessible and barrier-free tunnel, complete with elevators, to help airport passengers with luggage and customers with mobility challenges more easily transfer between GO/UP and TTC.



Improved wayfinding to help customers navigate between the two stations.



Underground tunnel to create a safer transition between the two stations.



Underground tunnel provides sheltered access during inclement weather.



Extension of the existing closed-circuit television (CCTV), public announcement and security systems.

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Updates will be communicated to the community via:

- Canada Post Mail Drops
- Weekly Toronto West e-newsletter
- Project Website (metrolinx.com/kitchener)
- Monthly Construction Liaison Committee (CLC) meeting
- Upcoming Virtual & In-Person Public Meetings
- Upcoming Community Pop-ups
- Toronto West phone number: 416-202-6911
- Toronto West email: TorontoWest@metrolinx.com
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