Fall 2023 Construction Update: Lakeshore East rail corridor

Work schedule: Weekdays 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., with select periods of weekend and overnight work



What is happening?

Construction work is underway in the Lakeshore East rail corridor to prepare for the future Ontario Line. Major bridge demolition work, utility upgrades, and track relocations have been completed over the past two months .

The table below provides an update on the construction activities taking place in the rail corridor through winter 2024:

Work in the rail corridor (continues on next page):

Construction Activities	Duration	Work Hours	Description	Equipment
Track maintenance	Ongoing for	Sunday - Friday	Replacing track ties and placing crushed	Spike pullers,
work	approx. two (2)	8 p.m. to 5 a.m.	stone (ballast).	hammers, and
Will occur throughout	weeks			excavators.
the corridor between				
Eastern Ave Carlaw				
Ave.				



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Retaining Wall	Starting in	Weekdays	Removal of the existing chain link fence	Excavators, jack
Removals	November 2023	7 a.m. to 7 p.m.	and concrete retaining walls at Jimmie	hammers, saws,
(demolition)	for approx. one		Simpson Park, 926 Gerrard St. and	and dump trucks
	(1) month		between Dundas St. E. and Logan Ave.	•
			bridges.	
Support of	Starting in	Monday - Friday	Soil within the rail corridor will be	Excavators, drill
excavation work	November 2023	7 a.m. to 7 p.m.,	excavated and removed. As the soil is	rigs, dump
(lagging and tieback	for approx. three	with periodic	removed, a wood wall will be installed to	trucks, loaders,
installation)	(3) months	Saturday daytime	hold back and support the other side of	skid steerers and
Will occur at bridges		work	the rail corridor. This is called a shoring	hand tools.
and retaining walls			wall. Steel rods (tiebacks) will be drilled	
		Sunday - Thursday	into the side of the wall to stabilize the	
		8 p.m. to 5 a.m.	excavation.	
T-Wall Construction:	Starting in	Weekdays	Excavation of existing soil and installation	Excavators,
Will occur on the	November 2023	7 a.m. to 7 p.m.	of pre-cast concrete block retaining walls	loaders, skid-
south/east side of the	for approx. six (6)	•	(T-Walls). Backfilling soil behind the new	steers, lifts,
rail corridor from	months		wall.	dump trucks,
Eastern Ave. to				hammers, and
Dundas St. E.				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.

Hours of work

- Daytime work is expected to take place Monday to Friday between 7 a.m. 7 p.m.
- Overnight work is expected to take place periodically Sunday Friday between 8 p.m. 5 a.m.
- Occasional daytime work may occur on Saturdays to complete critical activities.
- 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.

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 winter 2024. Some work will require road, sidewalk, TTC and GO rail closures. Additional notices will be issued for these activities before work takes place.

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