

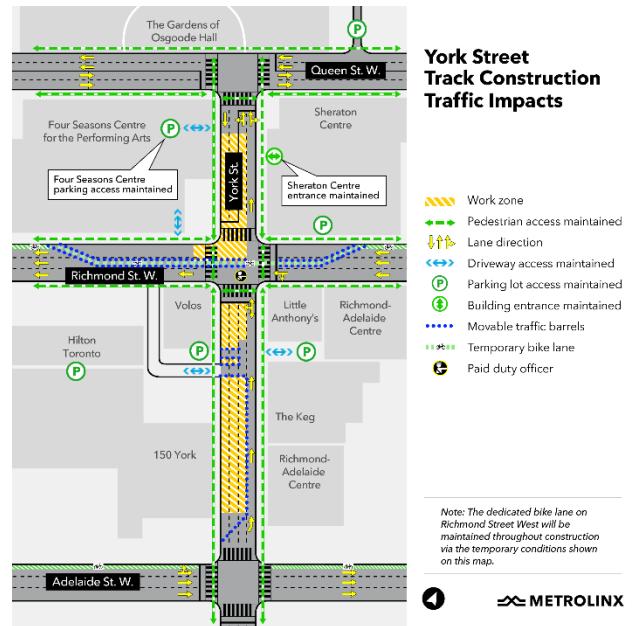
Update: construction of new streetcar infrastructure on York Street

Start date: October 16, 2023

Hours of work: Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 12 a.m. with some weekend and overnight work

What is happening?

- Metrolinx continues to work with the TTC and the City of Toronto to build a permanent streetcar detour route along Adelaide and Richmond streets, connecting via York and Church streets. Once completed, the 501 Queen streetcar will keep riders moving during the construction of the Ontario Line.
- The detour route will create a permanent route the TTC can use during special events or when road works are required.
- Metrolinx crews are performing utility removals and relocations as well as other necessary roadway work such as track slab excavation, pouring of a track slab foundation, and conducting work on the traffic signals to support the installation of new streetcar tracks.



What to expect

Lane closures and access

- The York Street project will be conducted in stages. Stage 1 work on the underground hydro chamber located on the south side of Richmond Street was completed in late December 2023.
- Crews are now working on the underground hydro chamber located on the north side of Richmond. **This phase of work is expected to be completed by March 2024.**
- This phase of work requires a temporary modification to the existing bike lanes on Richmond Street West (refer to map).
- One westbound traffic lane will remain open on Richmond Street at the intersection of York Street and Richmond Street.
- A paid duty officer will be on-site 24/7 to safely direct traffic.

- Local traffic will be permitted to make a left-hand turn onto York Street from Richmond Street to access parking and laneways.
- Pedestrian access, parking lots and driveway access in the area will be maintained, with occasional weekend and overnight driveway impacts. Metrolinx will coordinate with property owners in advance if their driveway or parking lot will be impacted to ensure adequate mitigation measures are in place, including having a member of the construction team present to assist traffic entering and leaving the driveways.
- Clear signage will be posted to caution and direct drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians.
- The commercial bus stop in front of the Sheraton Hotel has been moved from York Street to Queen Street.
- The lane closures identified in the map above will remain in place during weekdays, as well as weekends when no active construction work takes place.
- All necessary permits have been obtained.
- More information and updates on the additional phases of work, along with traffic impacts and mitigations, will be shared as the project advances.
- For more information about upcoming work please see [Metrolinx.com/Ontarioline](https://www.metrolinx.com/Ontarioline) or sign up for the e-newsletter.

Noise and safety

- Nearby residents and businesses may hear noise caused by various types of machinery.
- Equipment may be left on site and will be properly secured and stored to ensure safety.
- Work may be delayed due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances.

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.
- Less than 30 minutes from one end of the line to the other.
- 28,000 fewer cars on the road each day.

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