

# **Kitchener Fourth Track Construction Liaison Committee (CLC)**

Thursday, Feb 8, 2024

# Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Land Acknowledgment
- Safety Moment
- GO Expansion Overview
- Project Timeline
- Work Progress
- What To Expect Next
- 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

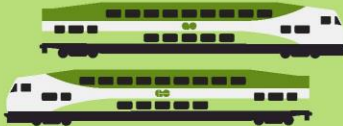
# Project Overview

# 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

# GO Expansion

01



Every 30-60 minutes  
limited weekend service



Trains every 15 minutes or  
better

02



Most lines  
peak direction only



Two way

03



Most lines  
rush hour only



All day, everyday

04



Diesel service



Faster, electrified  
service

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A commuter system



A regional backbone  
connecting communities

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3500 trips/week in 2019



Over 10000 trips/week



# WHAT ARE WE DOING

## Metrolinx GO Expansion Program

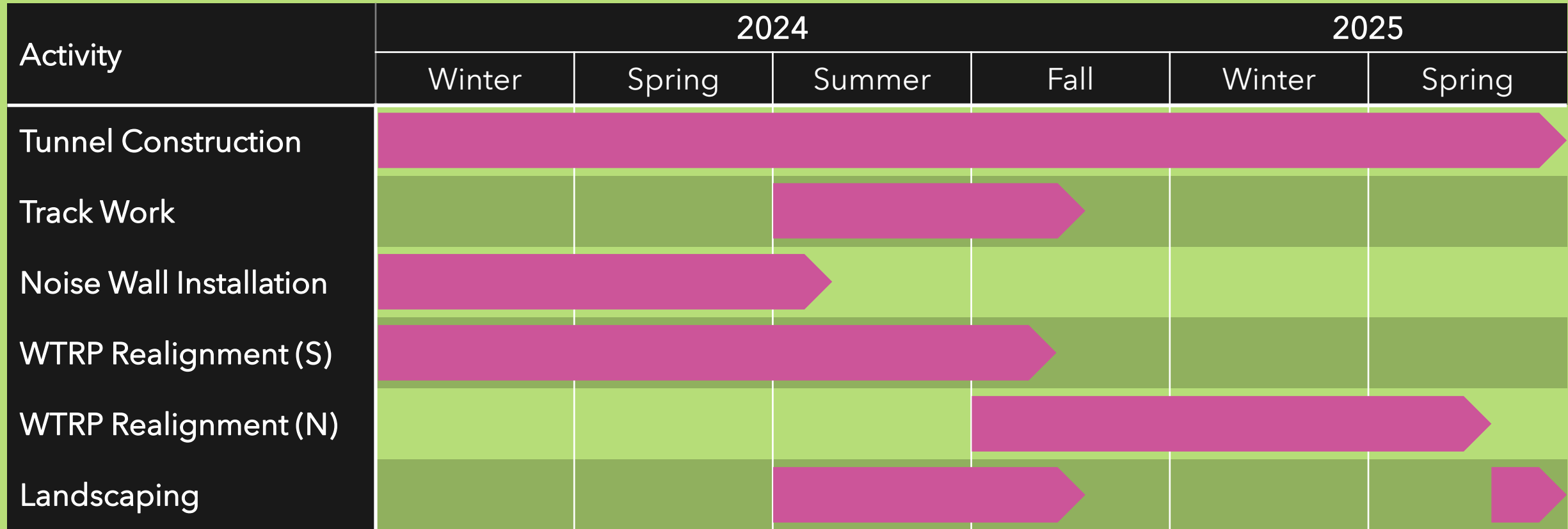
Metrolinx is working to transform the way the region moves by building a seamless, convenient and integrated transit network across the Greater Golden Horseshoe. Over the next 10 years, Metrolinx is transforming the existing GO rail system to deliver a whole new rapid transit experience to your community. 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

- Tunnel Shoring



# IN PROGRESS

- Bloor GO
  - Tunnel Excavation



## IN PROGRESS

- Work inside the rail corridor
  - Noise Wall Installation



## WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- Security Fence Installation



# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Tunnel Construction**
  - Waterproofing
  - Rebar
  - Electrical and mechanical rough-in
  - Pour concrete floor, walls, & roof



# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Track Installation**
  - Summer 2024





# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Railpath Realignment**
  - Section south of Bloor St: Reopening as early as Fall 2024
  - Remaining Work:
    - Noise Wall and Fence
    - Grading
    - Asphalt paving
    - Drainage
    - Topsoil and planting



# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Railpath Realignment**
  - Bloor St to Ernest Ave:  
Reopening late 2024/  
early 2025
  - Remaining Work:
    - Tunnel Roof  
Construction
    - Track support slabs
    - Noise Wall Panels
    - Grading
    - Asphalt paving
    - Drainage
    - Topsoil and planting



# ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Updates will be communicated to the community via:

- Canada Post Mail Drops
- Weekly Toronto West e-newsletter
- Project Website ([metrolinx.com/kitchener](http://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
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