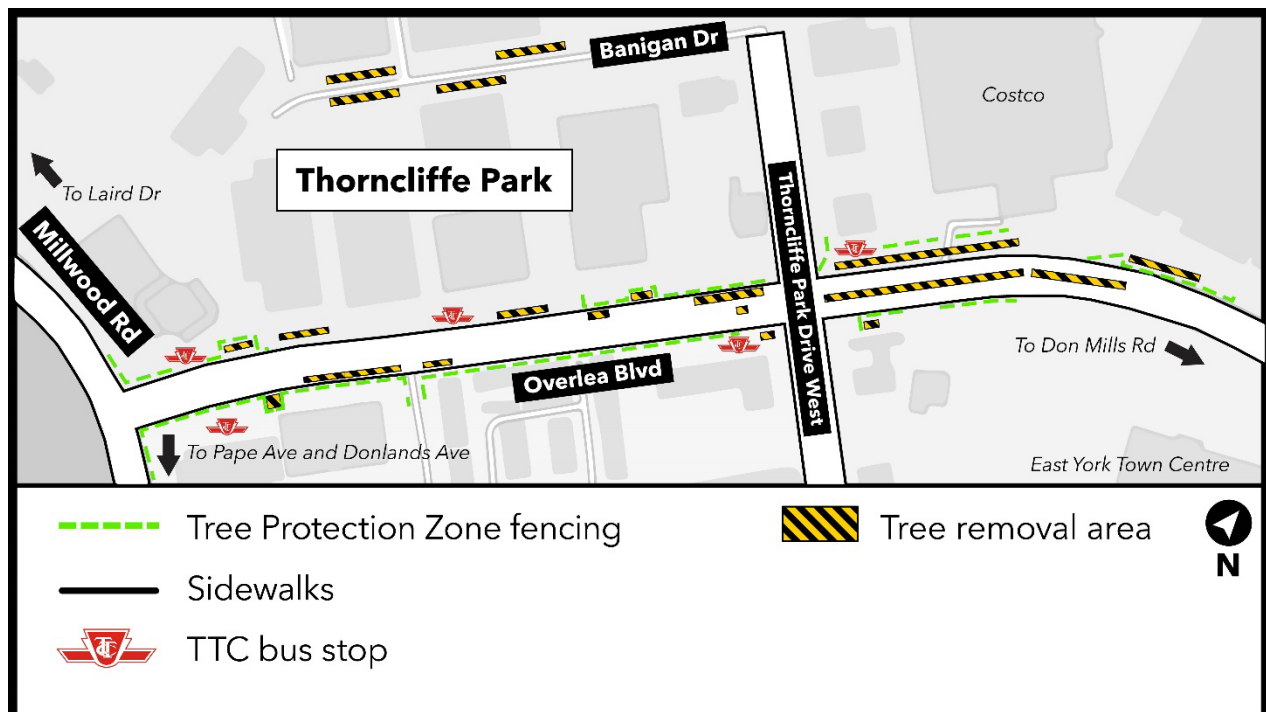


Vegetation and Tree Removal Near Banigan Dr, Overlea Blvd & Thorncliffe Park Dr West

Expected start date: As early as March 11, 2024

Expected duration: Two to three weeks

Hours of work: Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



What is happening?

- Starting as early as March 11th, 2024, crews will begin removing some of the trees, vegetation, and landscaping along Banigan Drive, Overlea Boulevard between Millwood Road and Thorncliffe Park Drive West, and in the centre median along Overlea Boulevard from just west of Thorncliffe Park Drive West to Costco.
- The vegetation and tree removals are necessary before the Overlea Boulevard median is removed.
- This work will help prepare the site for a future Ontario Line Maintenance and Storage Facility and the elevated guideway.
- Work is taking place on private, Metrolinx and City of Toronto property.
- All work will take place Monday to Friday between 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for approximately two to three weeks.

What to expect

- Work will begin with clearing and removing approximately 68 trees within the work area.
- Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) fencing will be installed around some of the nearby trees that will not be removed.
- All required permits have been obtained for the tree pruning and removals, and the work will take place outside of the bird nesting season.
- An ISA-certified arborist will be on-site to ensure tree removal is carried out in accordance with regulatory requirements.
- Residents and businesses near the sites may hear noise caused by chainsaws and woodchippers.
- Short-term traffic interruptions can be expected while trucks and equipment enter and exit work zones; traffic control personnel will be present to direct vehicles and pedestrians.
- There will be no impact on TTC bus service from this work.
- The Metrolinx's Vegetation Guideline specifies how many trees need to be planted when any tree is removed, ranging from 1 to 50 new trees based on the size and location of the tree being removed.
- Metrolinx will work closely with the City of Toronto and Toronto and Region Conservation Authority on replanting trees in the area, where possible. Learn more at www.metrolinx.com/vegetation.
- This work may be delayed due to inclement weather and/or unforeseen circumstances.

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