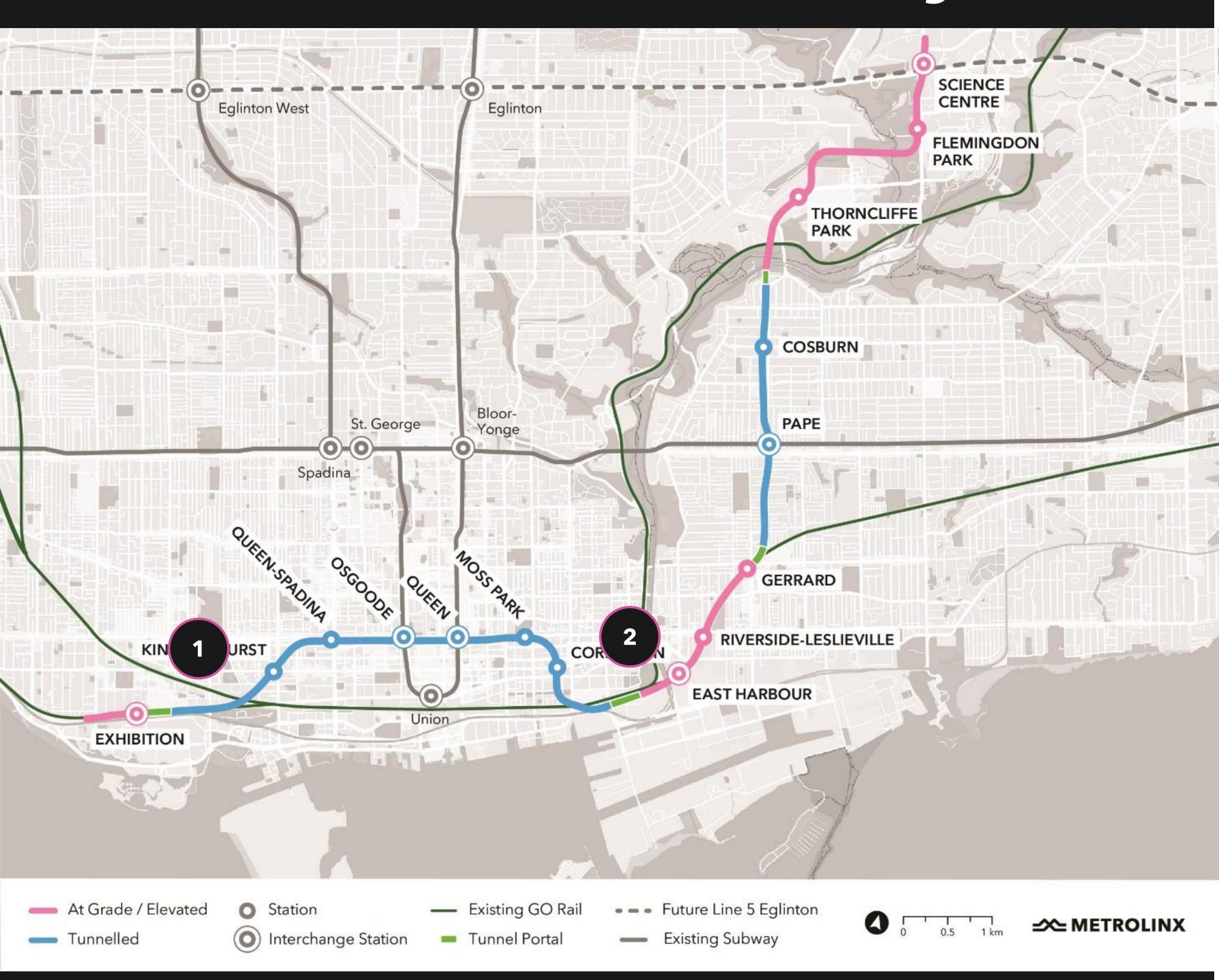
# Ontario Line Subway







North Alignment of Ontario Line (East Harbour to Science Centre)

**∠** METROLINX



15.6 kilometres long



15 stations



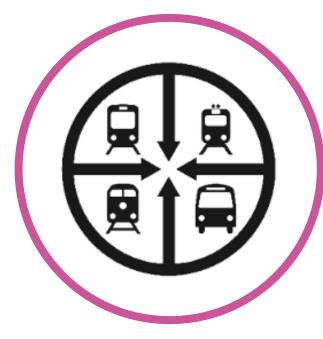
As frequent as every 90 seconds during rush hour



227,500 more people within walking distance to transit



388,000 daily boardings



40+ connections to other transit options



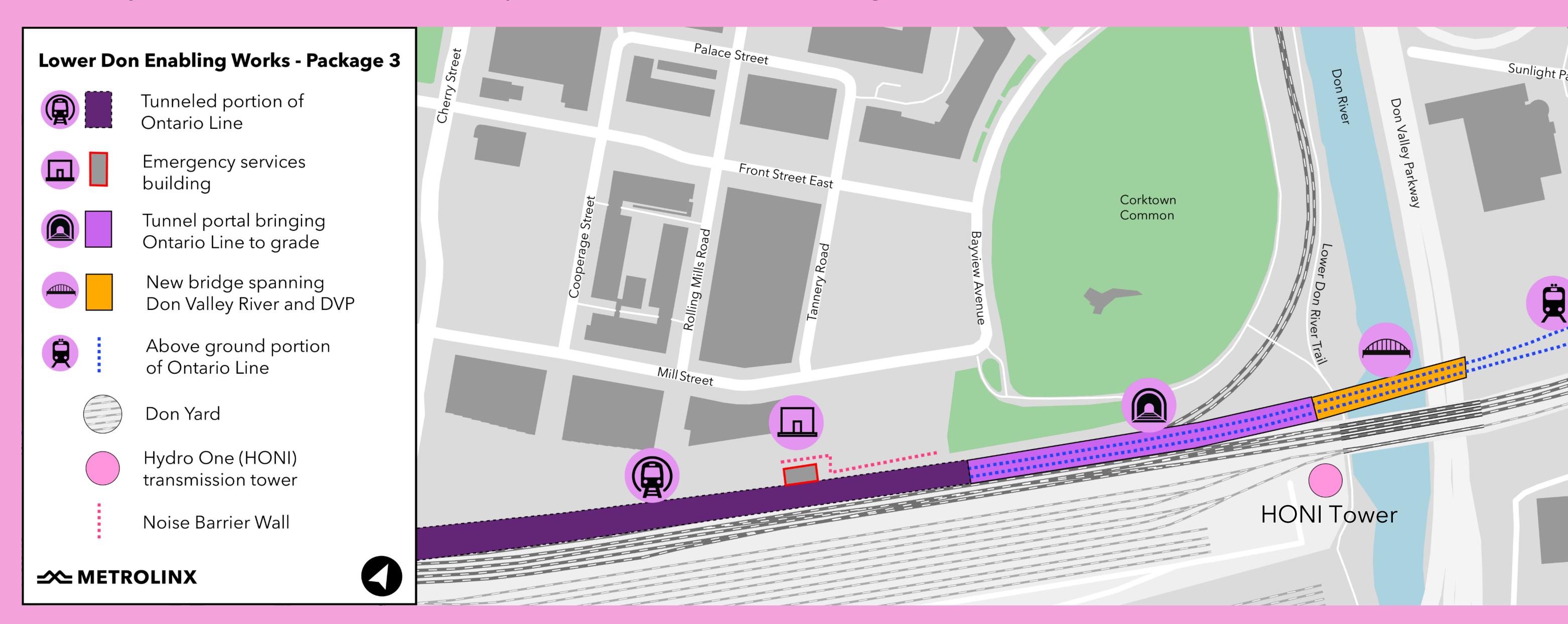
Up to 47,000 more jobs accessible in 45 minutes or less, on average



28,000 cars off the road each day

# Ontario Line: Lower Don Bridge and Don Yard Project Overview

- Construction of a new bridge, spanning 120 meters long, dedicated to the Ontario Line tracks
  passing over the Don Valley Parkway (DVP) and Don River
- Building a cut-and-cover tunnel and portal behind Corktown Common where the Ontario Line will transition from underground to above-ground
- New emergency services building, noise wall, and Hydro One (HONI) transmission tower
- Project construction is anticipated to continue through 2028

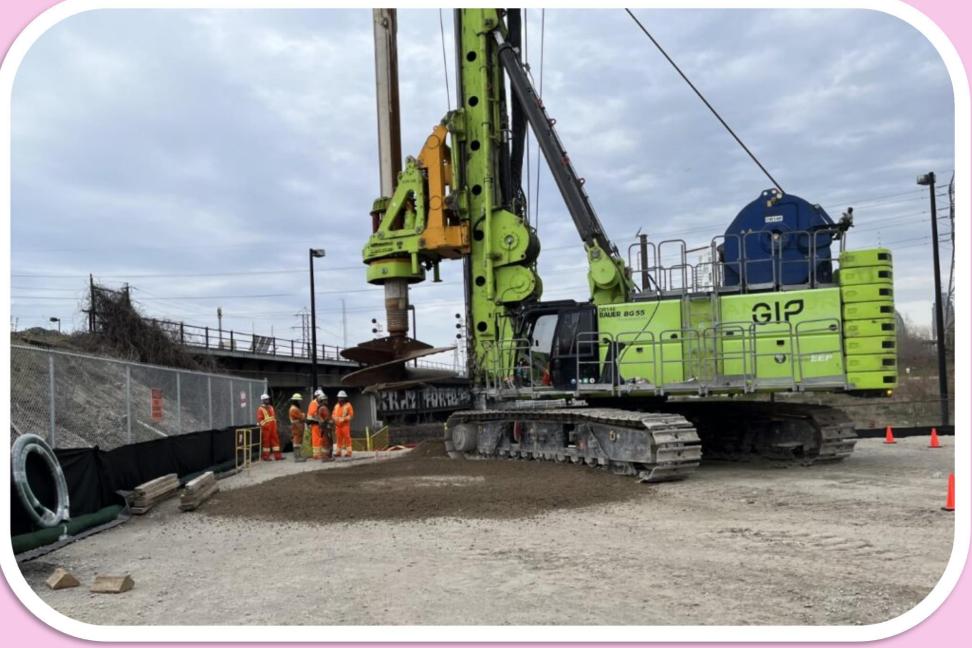


# Future Metrolinx Infrastructure near the Lower Don



# Ongoing Works







Starting permanent works for the bridge abutment east of the Don Valley Parkway. The east abutment is a concrete structure **15.7m** long x **3.15m** wide x **3.5m** tall

Construction of two caissons drilled into bedrock which will support the bridge abutment west of the Don Valley Parkway.

Removal of 1300m of old rail tracks and installing 1200m of new tracks

# Construction Lookahead

June 2024

Track removals and utility relocations will continue to make space for the new bridge and subway portal



Site trailers and environmental control measures will be installed

Bridge construction (drilling) will start west of the Don Valley Parkway (DVP)

July 2024

Track removals will finish



Drill rigs and large equipment will mobilize to the site to prepare for portal and tunnel construction

The bridge abutment east of the DVP will be completed

Concrete works for the west bridge abutment will begin

August 2024

Crews will start shoring works (drilling concrete and steel piles) to support tunnel excavation



A temporary support structure (trestle) will be installed to allow bridge construction over the DVP

September 2024

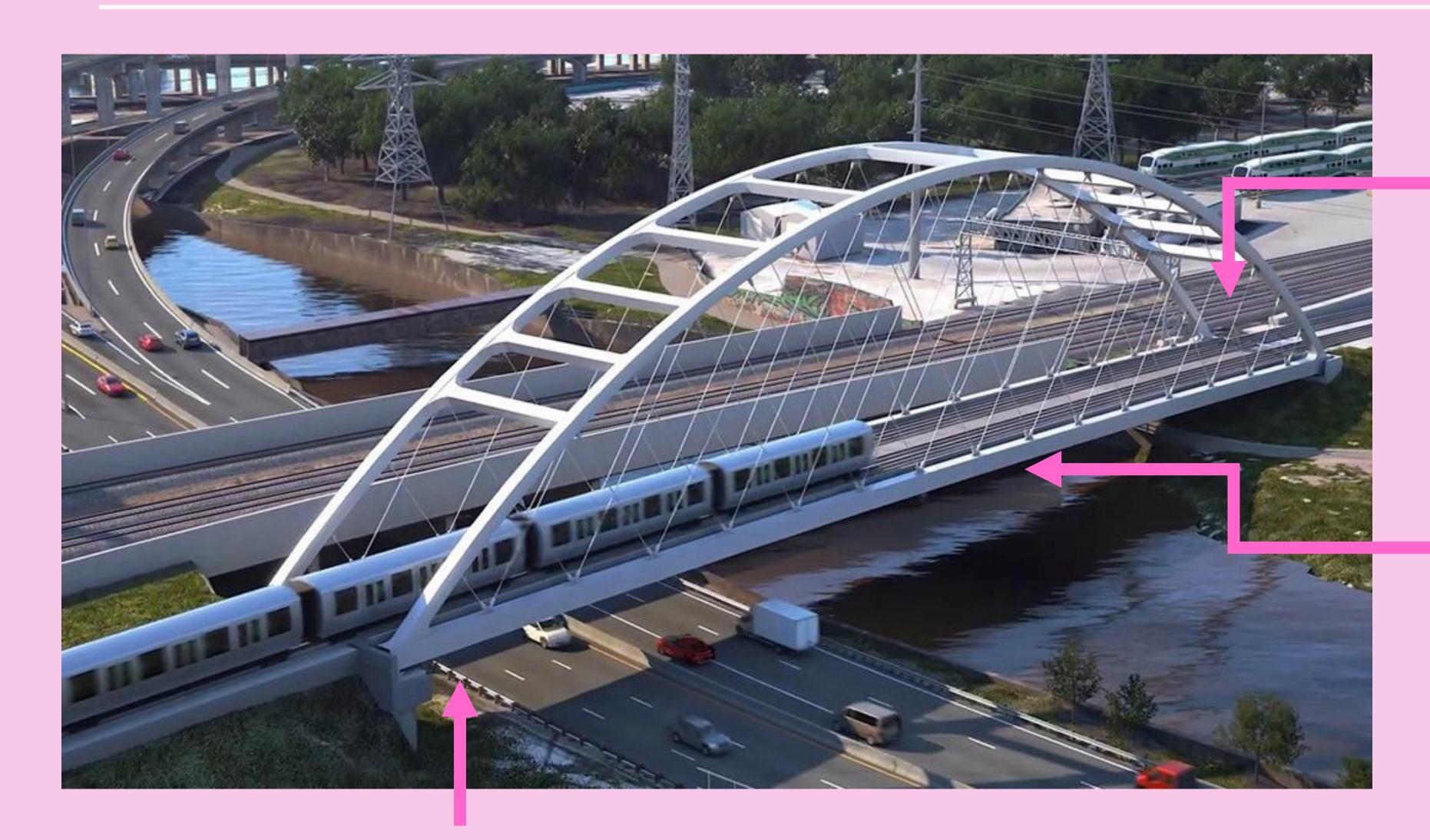
Excavation of the tunnel will begin



Construction of the bridge abutment west of the DVP will be completed

Grading and levelling of the site will take place to prepare for installation of a new Hydro One (HONI) monopole

# Bridge Overview



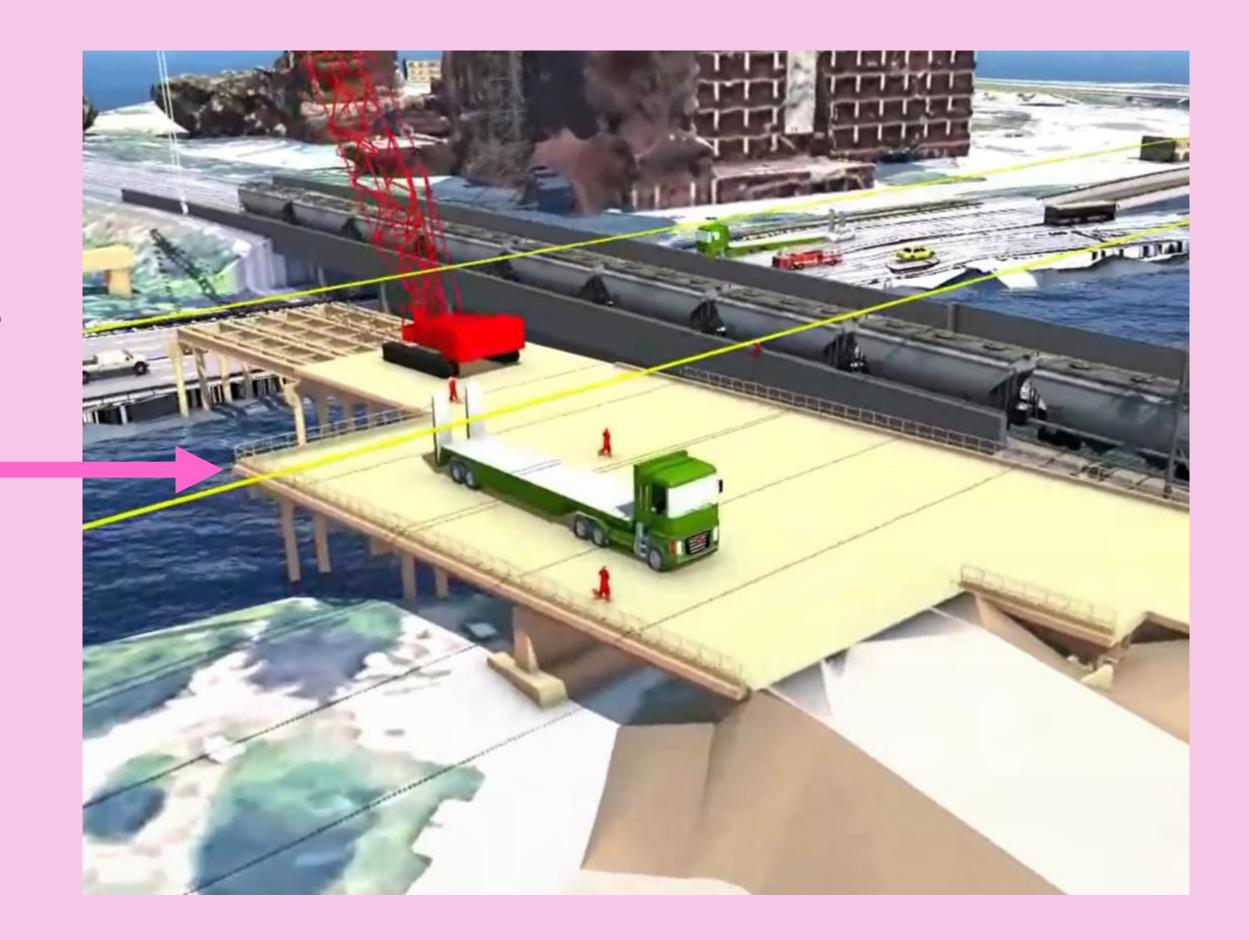
**Bridge deck:** The deck is the surface of the bridge that sits on top of the abutments. The new Ontario Line subway will travel on top of the bridge deck.

**Superstructure:** The superstructure holds up and stabilizes the deck - it will support the weight of the trains that will pass over the bridge. The superstructure will be installed in two pieces over DVP.

Abutments: The abutments are the structures at either side of the bridge, that support the weight of the bridge from the ground.

Abutments will be the first parts of the bridge that are built west and east of the DVP. The east abutment is currently under construction.

Trestle: The trestle is a temporary structure that will be built in the Don River to provide construction crews access to build the permanent bridge. In-water trestle works will take place during certain time periods to mitigate environmental disruption, specifically to fish habitat.



# Bridge Construction Lookahead



- Present July 2024: East abutment construction.
- August 2024 October 2024: West abutment construction.
- August 2024 October 2025: Build the temporary structure (trestle) required to support construction of the new bridge.
- November 2025: Begin work on the permanent bridge (superstructure).
- January 2026: Half of the bridge is built over the Don River and slid into place across the Don Valley Parkway.
- February 2026 May 2026: Construction of the remaining half of the bridge.
- Summer 2026: Temporary structures will be removed.
- Summer 2027: Bridge lighting, façade, and additional detailing will be installed.

Bridge construction is expected to take place during the daytime.

# Portal and Tunnel Construction Lookahead

# Present - Fall 2024 Track removals

Cutting and removing existing train tracks to make space for the future Ontario Line portal and tunnel.

### Fall 2024 - Summer 2025 Shoring and excavation

Steel and concrete will be installed to support the excavation of the tunnel and portal - this process is called shoring. Excavators will dig as deep as 22 meters to create a long and narrow hole where the new tunnel will be built.

# Summer 2025 - Spring 2026 Permanent works

Excavation of the tunnel will finish. Waterproofing, rebar installations, and concrete pours will take place to form the permanent structure of the tunnel. Once the tunnel is completed, new Ontario Line tracks will be installed on top.

# Spring 2026 - Summer 2028 Portal construction

Construction of the remaining section of the portal near the Don Valley Parkway.



# What to Expect

### **Drill for Ground Improvement Works**

These drilling tools are used to support or enable specific tasks related to GIMP (Ground Improvement) works. This equipment accurately measure vibrations during construction activities to ensure proper levels are maintained.

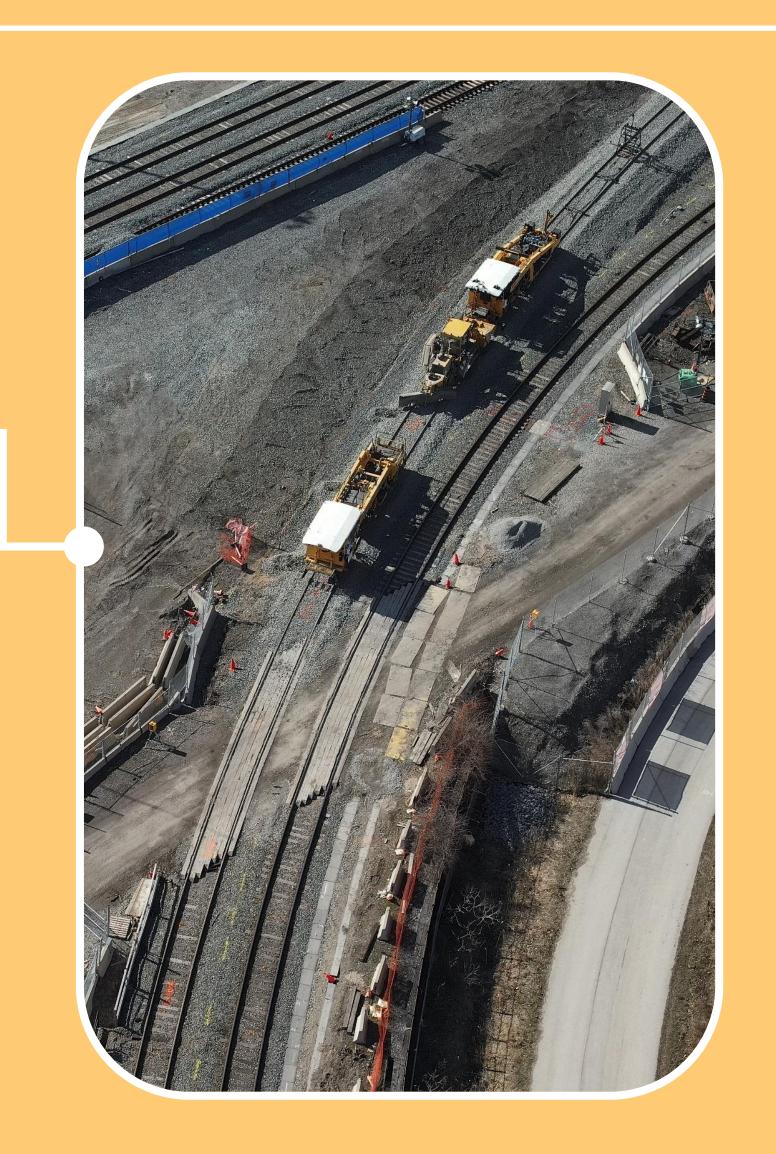


### Rail Maintenance Equipment

Tracks continue to be removed in sections and disassembled at an off-site location in the Port Lands during the day. The track stabilizers seen in this photo are used to ensure new tracks are level and secure.

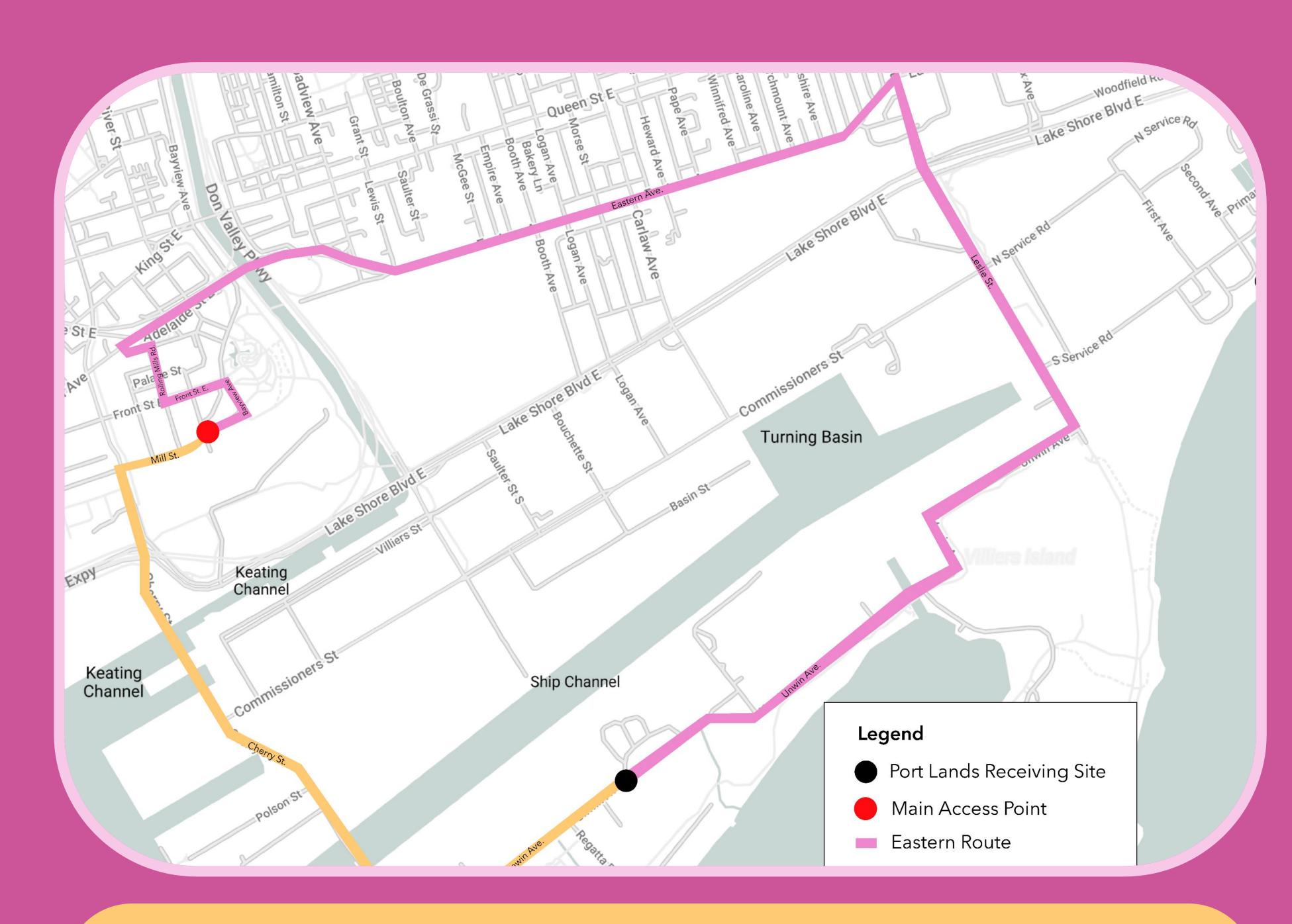
### **Drill Rig**

These machines drill deep holes in the ground that are then filled with rebar and concrete to support structures. Drill rigs will be used to build the foundation for the bridge abutments and support the excavation of the tunnel and portal. The bridge works are being completed with a BG55 (one of the largest caisson drill rigs in Canada)





# Site Access and Traffic Management



### **Haul Routes:**

- The Don Yard's main access point is located just east of Mill Street and Tannery Road
- Materials are being transported and removed from the Don Yard using the haul routes shown in this map
- There are two main haul routes from the east and west side of the Don Valley Parkway
- Ten dump trucks are expected to leave the site every hour to remove materials during tunnel and portal construction

### Traffic and pedestrian management:

Several measures will be taken to ensure public safety and mitigate traffic and pedestrian disruption throughout construction:

- Security: Monitoring site access with traffic control personnel and ensuring gates are closed at all times.
- **Maintenance:** Regular street sweeping, clearing debris from access roads, and cleaning vehicle tires at wheel washing stations.
- **Enforcement:** Communicate to crews on the importance of keeping roads clean.
- Regular inspections: Frequently inspect the effectiveness of debris control measures and adjusting where needed.
- Signage and barriers: Installing proper wayfinding signs and traffic barriers.
- Stakeholder coordination: Coordinating with local stakeholders to avoid traffic and pedestrian closures during public events
- Hauling routes/schedule: Using main streets for hauling and scheduling deliveries/hauling during non-peak hours where possible
- Accessibility: Making sure streets and sidewalks are always accessible (installing ramps etc.)



# Construction Mitigations



### **Noise Barriers**

Where possible, temporary barriers surround loud equipment to reduce noise.



### **Advance Notice**

Providing notice ahead of construction to give local stakeholders the opportunity to ask questions and plan for the work.



### **Site Maintenance**

Keeping the site clean and tidy to support the positive appearance of the neighbourhood.



### **Noise and Vibration Monitors**

Located throughout the work areas, these monitors measure noise and vibration to make sure proper levels are maintained.



### **Hoarding and Signage**

Hoarding provides a protective barrier between the construction site and the public. Signage informs of ongoing and upcoming work, as well as way-finding (as needed).



### **24-Hour Support**

Providing a 24-hour call number to address complaints and issues.



### **Mindful Work Schedules**

Work is scheduled to consider community needs, other major projects, and neighbourhood events.



### **Good Neighbor Approach**

Making sure project staff are considerate of the community during construction. This includes shopping local and parking only in designated locations.

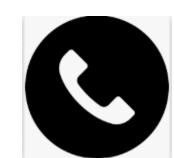
# Ontario Line

# Welcome to the Don Yard Community Open House

Learn more about the Ontario Line and construction activities taking place in your community

## QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? Please post it here!

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