

GO Expansion

# **Kitchener Fourth Track and Bloor Station (TTC Connection) Construction Liaison Committee**

**Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

 **METROLINX**



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# Land Acknowledgement

## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

# GO Expansion Overview

# The GO Expansion program will provide a range of improvements across the GTHA:

**More all-day service**



**Service in both directions**



**Capacity for 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

01



Every 30-60 minutes  
limited weekend service



02



Most lines  
peak direction only



03



Most lines  
rush hour only



04



Diesel service



05



A commuter system



06



3500 trips/week in 2019



# GO Expansion



Trains every 15 minutes or  
better



Two way



All day, everyday



Faster, electrified  
service



A regional backbone  
connecting communities



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

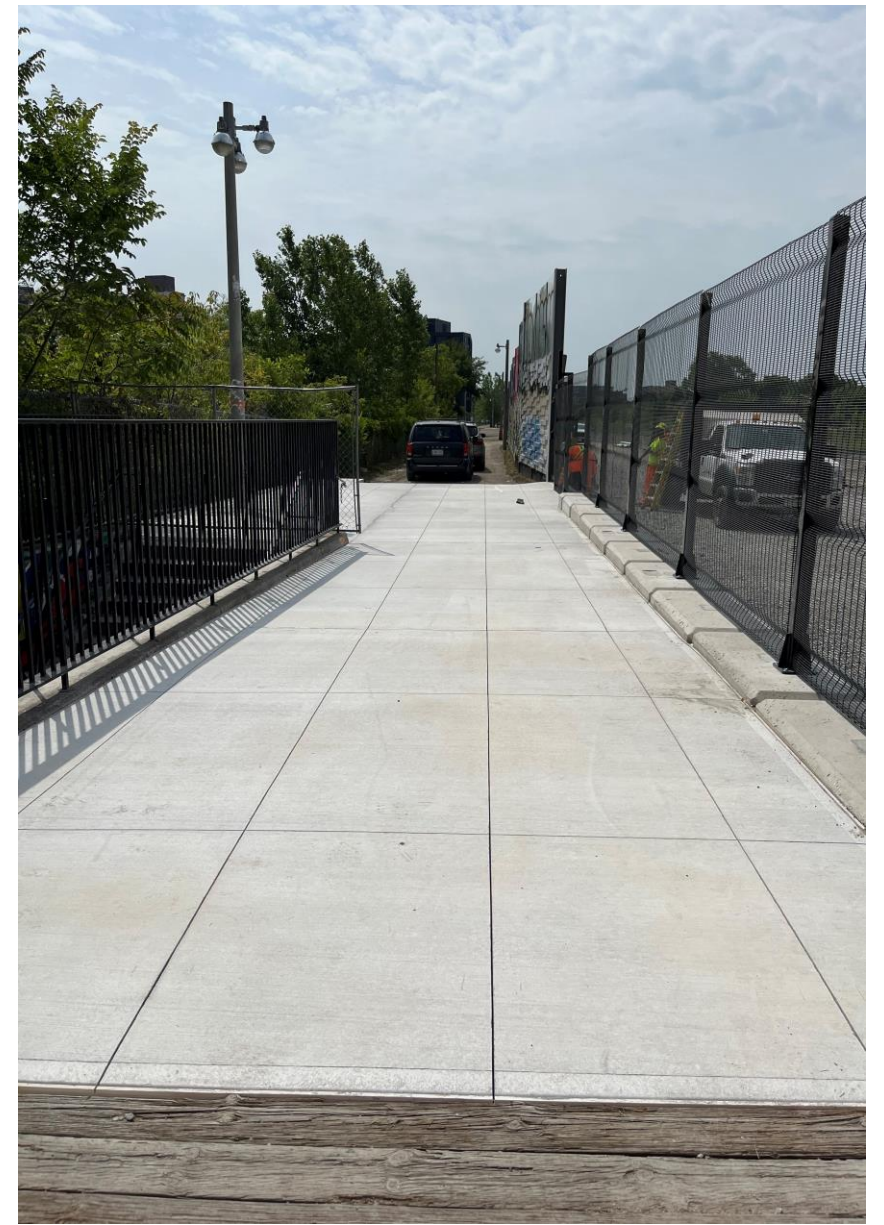
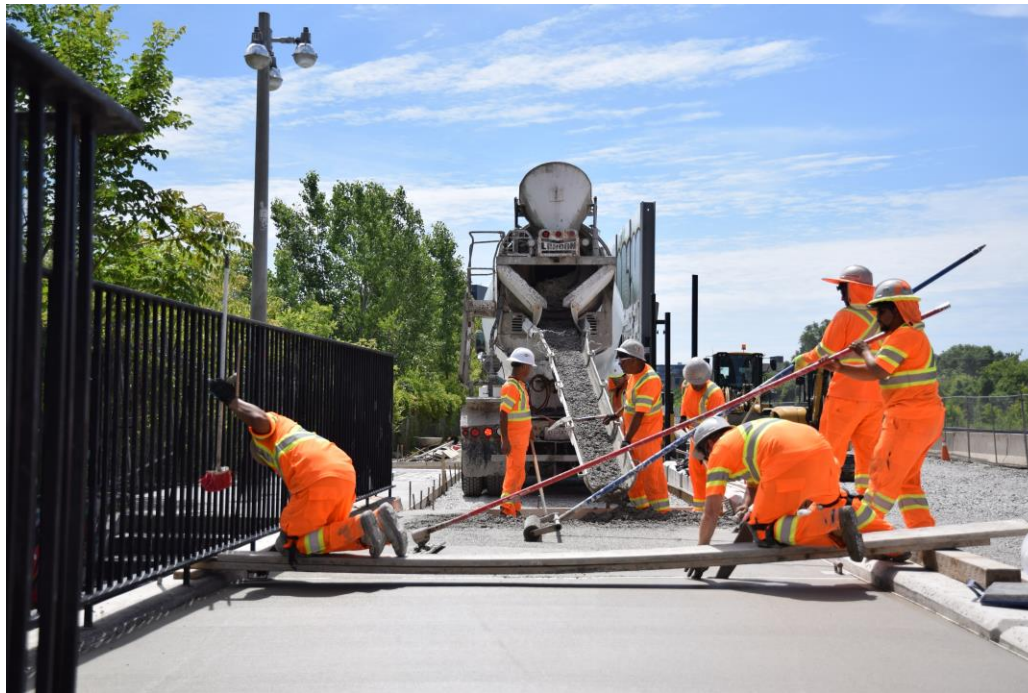
The Kitchener 4<sup>th</sup> Track project is a segment of work that is a part of the overall GO Expansion program. The realignment of the West Toronto Railpath will facilitate the new track to be installed and allow for more trains to be added to the Kitchener line. The Kitchener GO Line Expansion will bring all-day, two-way GO service for people across Toronto, Brampton and Kitchener.



# Kitchener Fourth Track Project Overview

# IN PROGRESS

- **WTRP Realignment**
  - Bloor St to Dundas St
    - New concrete paving
    - Grading and drainage work
    - Topsoil
    - Planting





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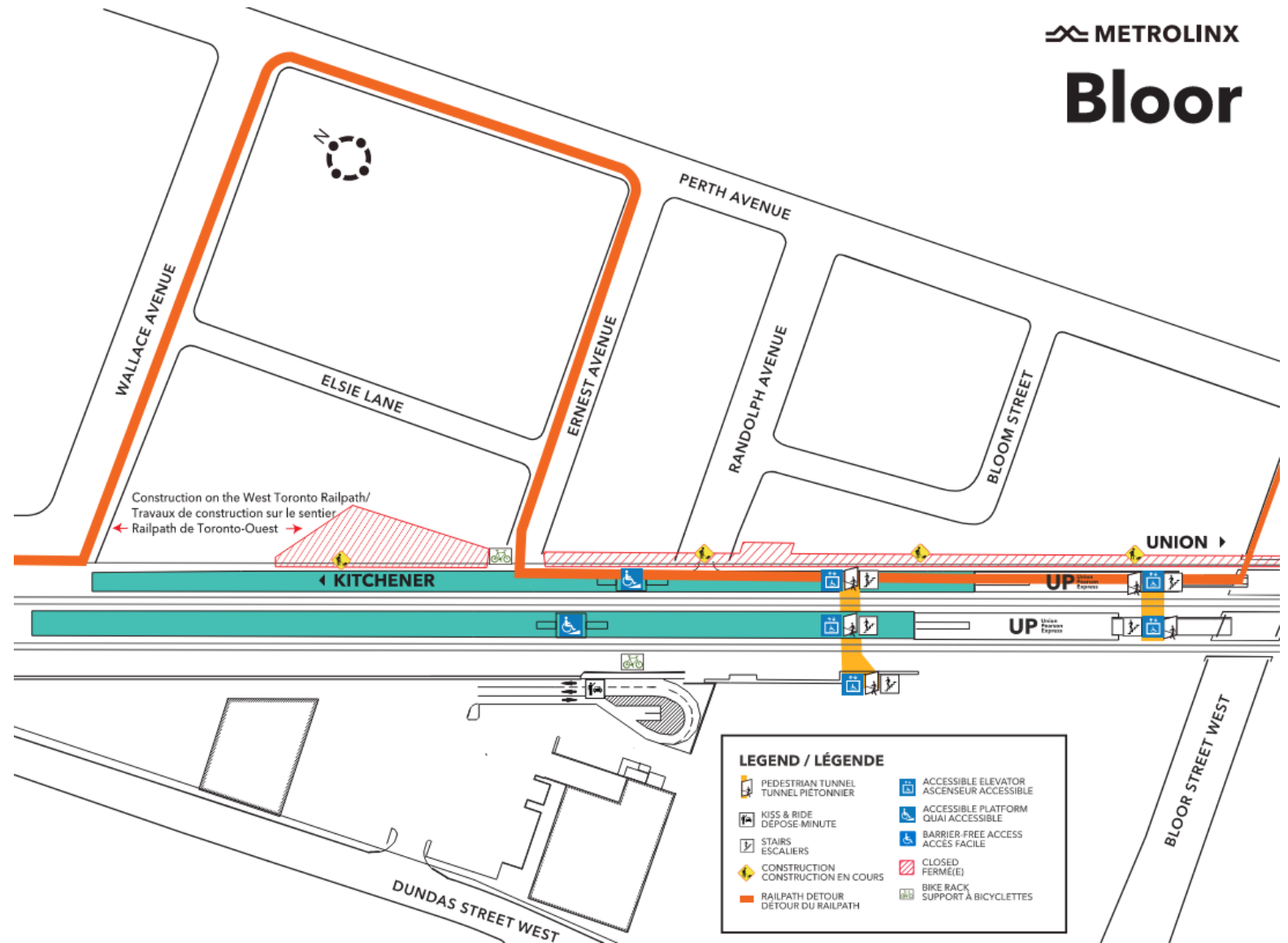
- **Bloor GO**
  - Tunnel Interior Walls and Stair Construction
  - Electrical and Mechanical Work



# IN PROGRESS

## • Ernest Park

- Construction started on Ernest Ave park
- Detour via Ernest/Wallace Ave and Perth Ave for approximately ten weeks
- Work includes:
  - Excavation and grading
  - Irrigation lines
  - Planting
  - Concrete Paving
- Site furniture installed at a later time





# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Landscaping**
  - Phase 1: Dupont St to Ruskin Ave
    - New Concrete Pads
    - Planting
  - Phase 2: Ruskin Ave to Wallace Ave
  - Daily path closures, 7am to 5pm



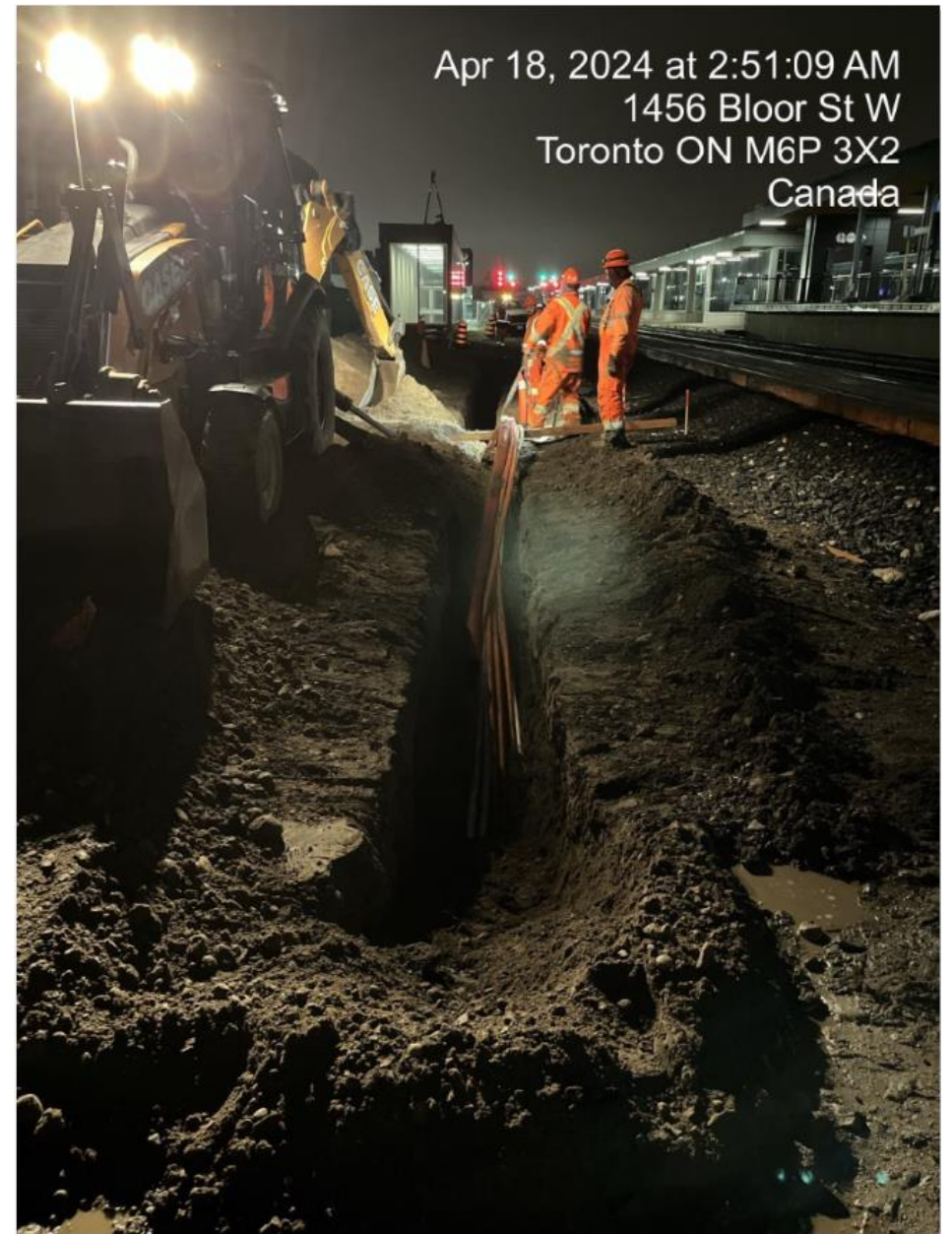
# Bloor TTC Connection Project Overview



## COMPLETED

### CN line relocation - Stage 1

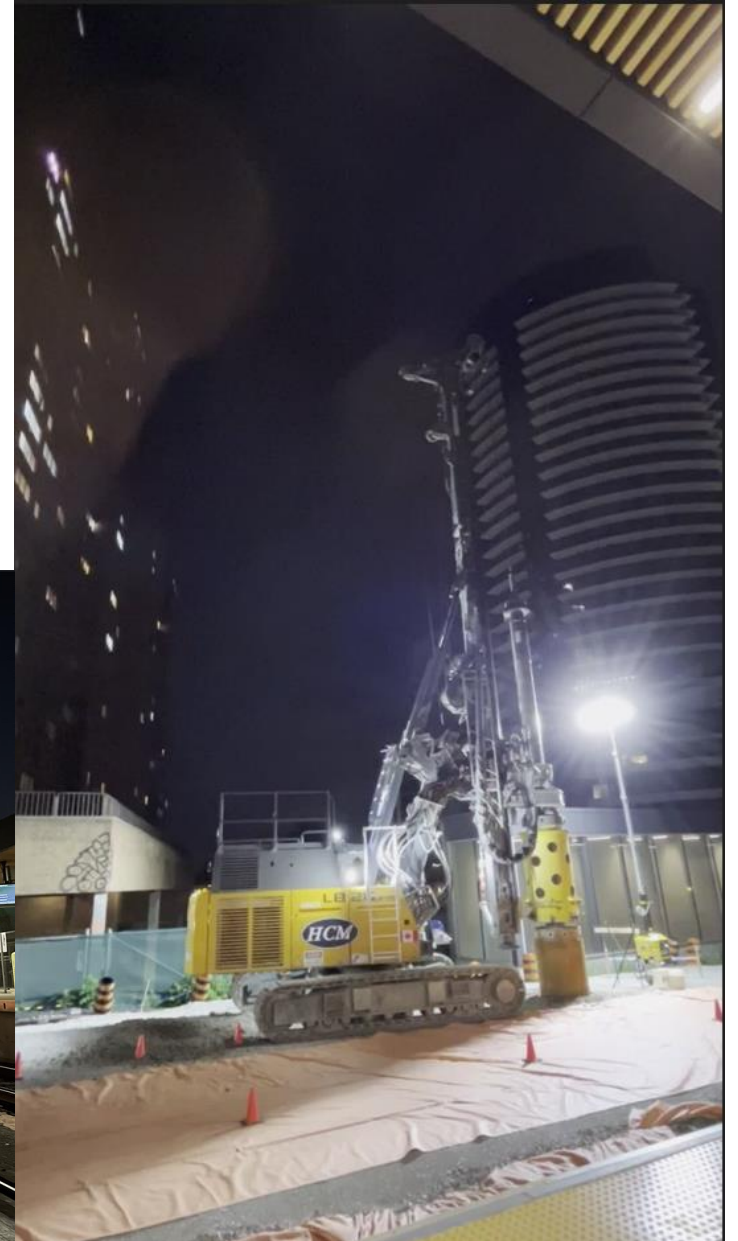
- Relocated the CN and Bell 360 line close to the Crossways Building so that Secant wall could commence.



# IN PROGRESS

## Shoring wall for the Pedestrian Box structure

- Progressing well with the Shoring wall on night shift.

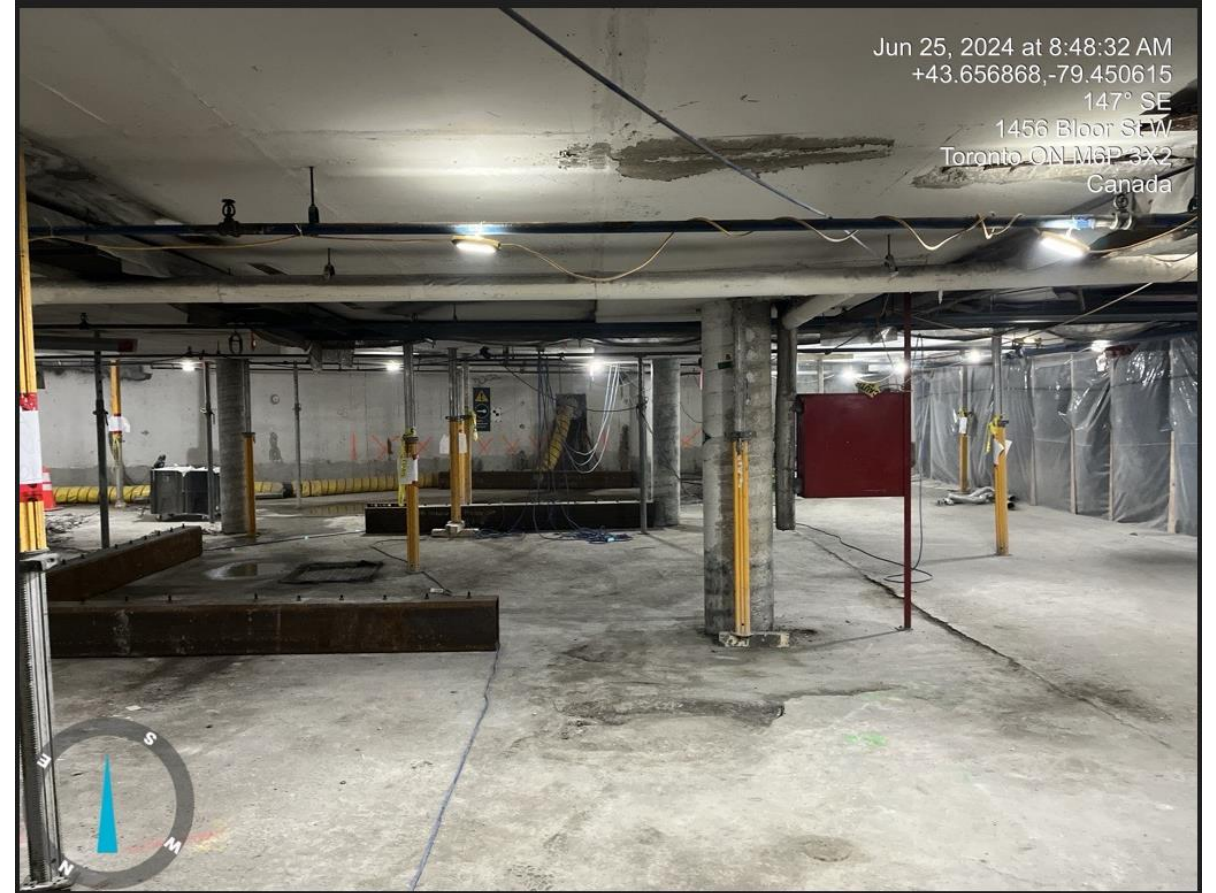




# IN PROGRESS

## Renovation inside the Crossways building

- Repairs inside the Crossways building at P1 as well as P2 level is continuing.
- Structural support of the P2 roof slab for the installation of the elevators shaft is ongoing.



# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

## The Pedestrian box structure Construction

- Completion of the Shoring Wall
- Jet Grouting
- Excavation
- Waterproofing

### Commencement date: Summer 2024

- Work scheduled to occur overnight from Sunday to Thursday, from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. (5 nights a week).

### Community Impacts: Noise, Dust and Light.

- Noise and air monitors have been installed around the project area to ensure that the project requirements are met. Any exceedances will be flagged & mitigated, wherever possible.



# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

## Excavation for elevators and stairs inside the Crossways Building

Commencement date: Summer 2024

- Elevators excavation scheduled to occur during the day, Monday to Friday, from 7am to 4pm.

### Community Impacts: Noise

- The dust from the excavation will be contained inside the hoarded area.
- There will be some noise impact to the businesses close to the work area



INTERIOR VIEWS

INTERIOR VISUALS - CONCOURSE LEVEL



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Work to expand the [#KitchenerLine](#) line continues. Crews have begun installing the acrylite noise and wind protection panels at Wallace Avenue. Check it out!

More on this project here: [bit.ly/3ObRtZQ](https://bit.ly/3ObRtZQ)



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# Committee Discussion



# Community Engagement

# 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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  - X: @GOExpansion
  - Metrolinx Engage

