

GO Expansion

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

Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 2024

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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

# 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



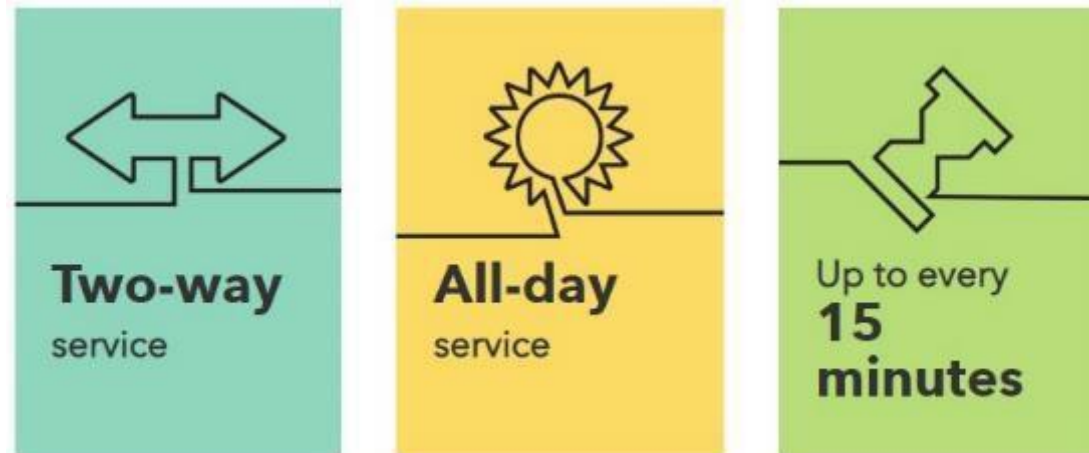
# WHAT ARE WE DOING

## 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.

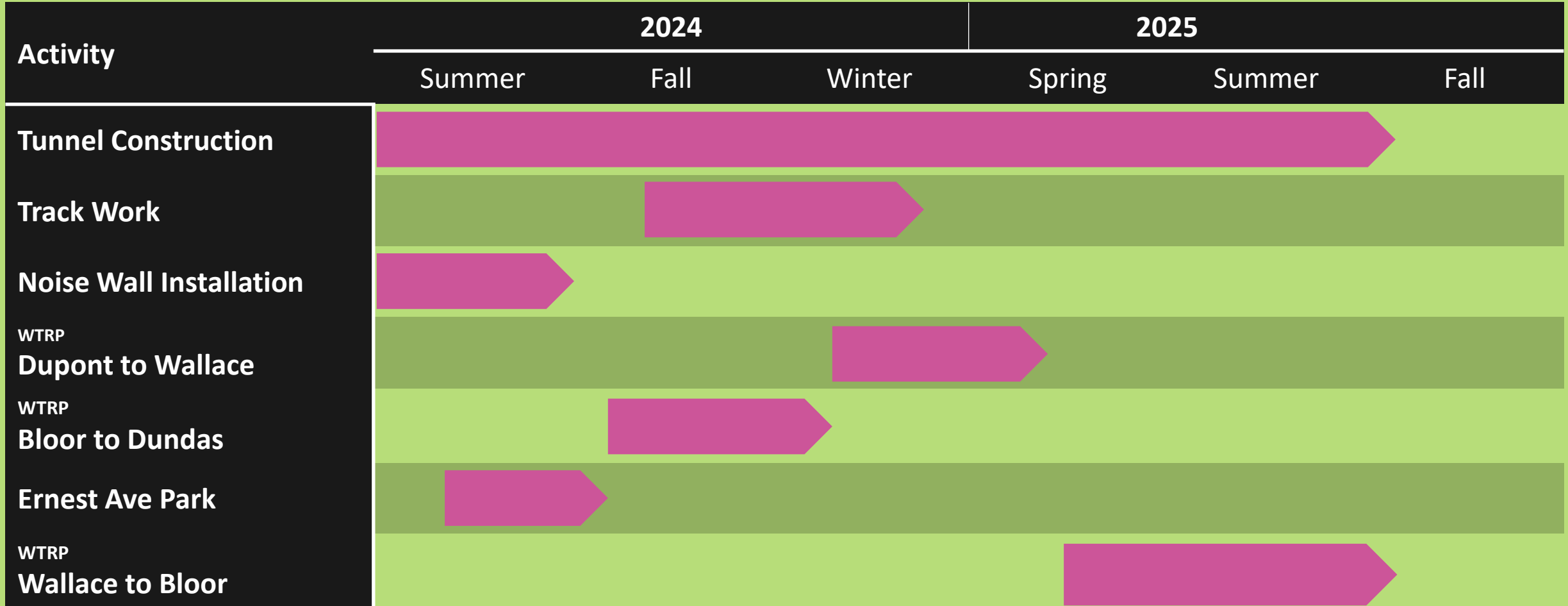
## Kitchener GO Line Expansion

The Kitchener Fourth 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

# Project timeline



This timeline may be subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances

## COMPLETED

### Ernest Ave Park

- Excavation and grading
- Concrete and asphalt paving
- New topsoil and trees
- Irrigation lines



## IN PROGRESS

### Ernest Ave Park

- Shrub planting
- Vine wall cable system
- Decorative fencing
- Lighting



## IN PROGRESS

### Bloor GO

- Tunnel roof formwork and pour
- Electrical and Mechanical Work



## IN PROGRESS

### Bloor St Bridge Work

- 1 Week sidewalk closure under the bridge in early October
- Installation of remaining cover plates and brackets.



## WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

### Concrete Paving

- Perth Ave connection to the Railpath





# Bloor TTC Connection Project Overview

# COMPLETED

## Shoring wall for the Pedestrian Box structure – Stage 2

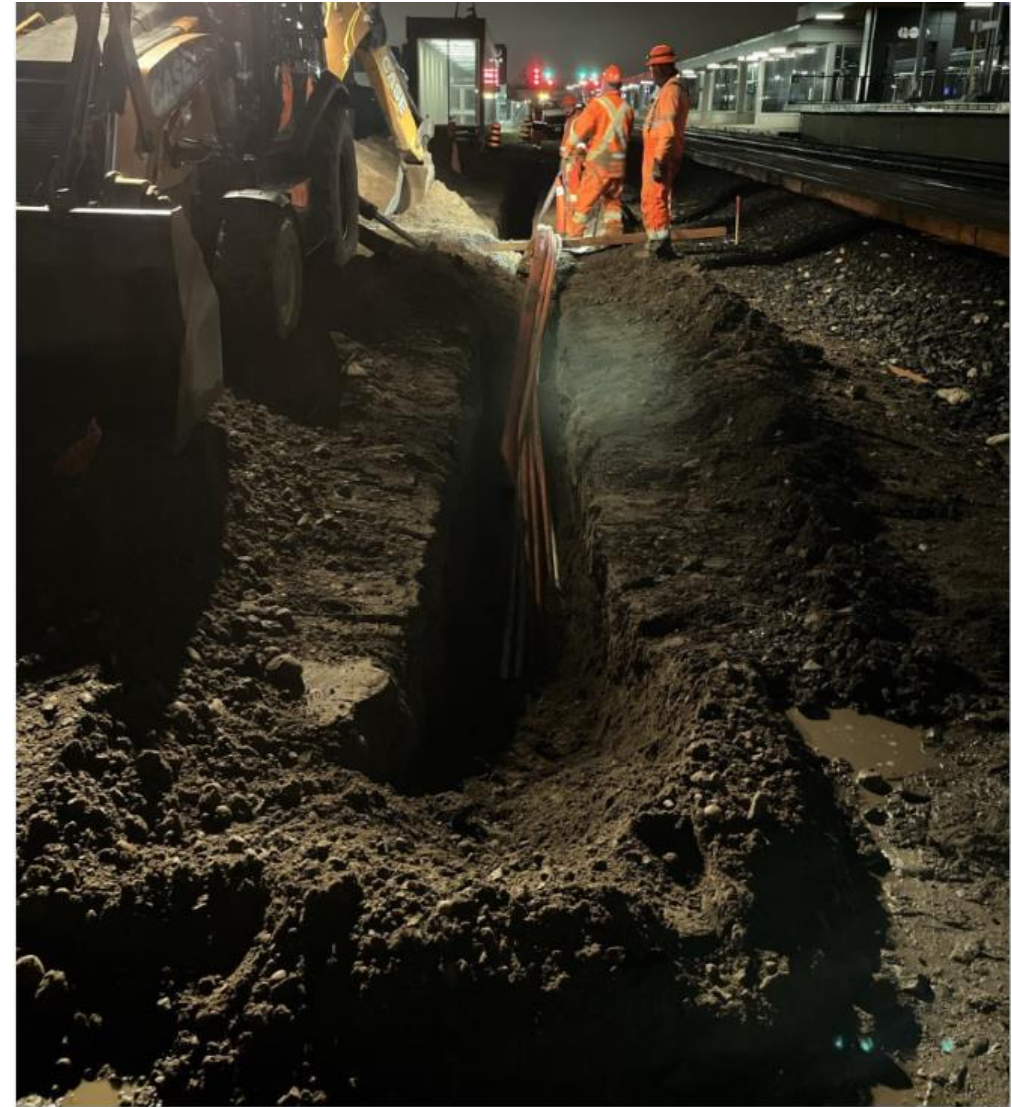
- Shoring wall stage 2 has been completed.



## COMPLETED

### CN/Bell 360 line relocation - Phase 2

- Relocation of the CN and Bell 360 line away from the future Pedestrian box structure has been completed. The cables are currently installed in between tracks and shoring wall



# IN PROGRESS

## Jet Grouting

- Commence Jet Grouting at the Pedestrian Box structure



## IN PROGRESS

### Renovation and repairs inside the Crossways building

- Repairs inside the Crossways building at P1 as well as P2 level is continuing.



# WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

## The Pedestrian box structure Construction

- Excavation
- Waterproofing

### Work schedule

- 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 Stairs and elevators inside the Crossways Building

- Stairs and Elevators openings and excavation scheduled to occur during the day, Monday to Friday, from 7a.m. to 4p.m.

### 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



# 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](https://metrolinx.com/kitchener))
  - Upcoming Virtual & In-Person Public Meetings
  - Upcoming Community Pop-ups
  - Toronto West phone number: 416-202-6911
  - Toronto West email: [TorontoWest@metrolinx.com](mailto:TorontoWest@metrolinx.com)
  - X: @GOExpansion
  - Metrolinx Engage
  - Next scheduled CLC: Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

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