

# West Harbour GO Pocket Track Tie-In Work

## September 17, 2024

### Project Overview

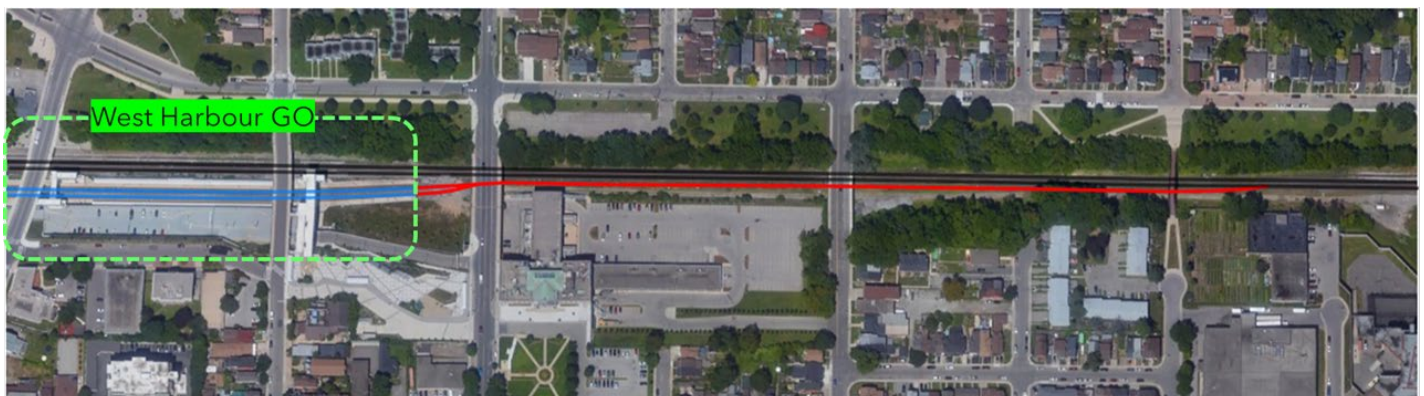
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### What You Need to Know

The ongoing construction work near the West Harbour GO Station continues from the James Street bridge to the Mary Street bridge. Crews are expected to commence track work on September 17th, 2024. **NOTE: This timing is subject to change.**

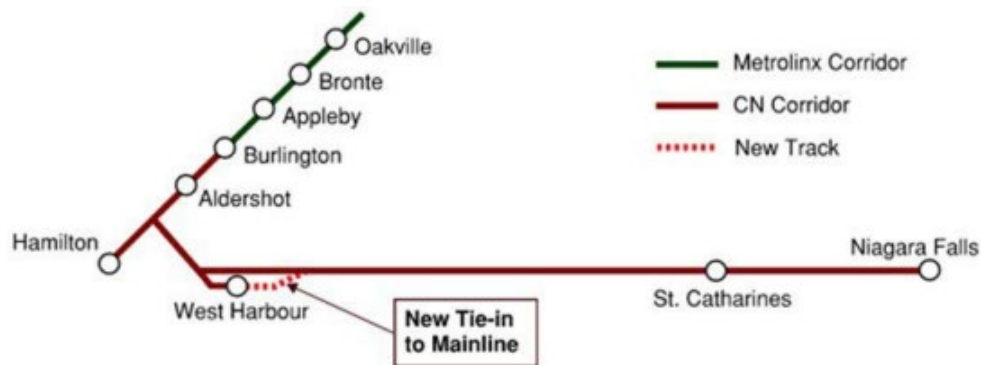
As part of these works, a track lift through West Harbour GO station is expected to take place over the weekend of October 4-6 during nighttime hours. Crews will lift the existing pocket track by five inches and provide new stabilizers within the track bed. **\*Lighting and heavy machinery will be necessary for this work which means area residents may experience some noise and minor vibration.** Crews will also be installing a temporary mini platform to maintain accessible boarding for GO train passengers.



- Existing Main Line
- Pocket Track Tie-in
- Existing Pocket Track 5" Lift

## Why are we doing this work?

Currently, trains leaving West Harbour Station must back up toward Aldershot Station before they can continue to east Hamilton and Niagara region. When trains arrive at West Harbour from Niagara, they must pass West Harbour, and then back-in to the station. This work will solve the issue by connecting the dead-end track at West Harbour Station to the main line.



When construction is complete, there will be a 20-minute reduction in commuter time, and the track extension will help facilitate future GO rail service to Confederation Station and beyond to Niagara region. Construction timing is subject to change, but the project is expected to be completed by late 2024.



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