

Line Painting Works: lane closures at Ritson Road and Bloor Street East

Tuesday, December 16, 2025 – Friday, January 9, 2026

Monday to Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Dates subject to change as a result of unforeseen circumstances or inclement weather*

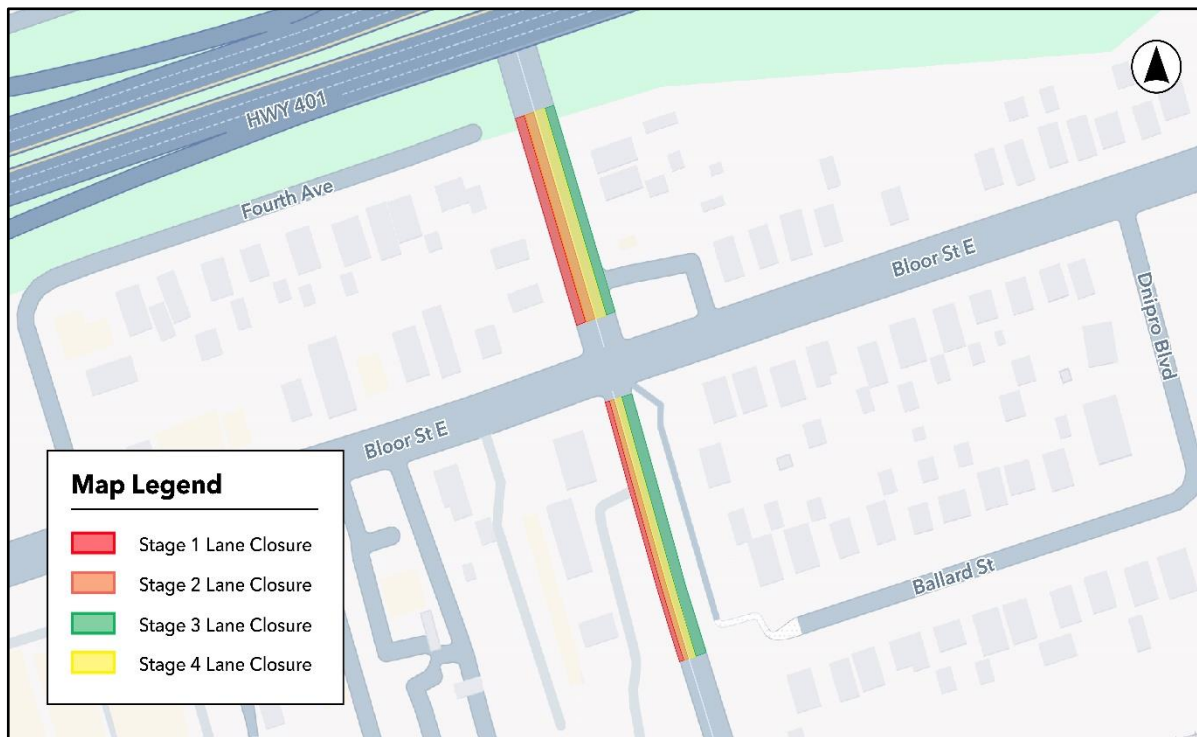


Figure 1: Phased lane closures along Ritson Road. Not to scale. Metrolinx image.

Project Overview

The Bowmanville Extension will extend Lakeshore East GO rail service nearly 20-kilometres east of the Durham College Oshawa GO Station to Bowmanville, serving the Region of Durham. Expanded rail service will provide Durham Region with direct connections to the larger GO Transit network, helping to reduce congestion in the region while better connecting customers to education, family, entertainment, and jobs.

What is happening?

Beginning on December 16, 2025, Metrolinx crews will paint new traffic lines at the intersection of Ritson Road and Bloor Street East as part of traffic mitigations for the upcoming Simcoe Street bridge replacement. This work will improve pavement markings to enhance roadway visibility, support accurate traffic monitoring, and help guide motorists through adjusted traffic patterns.

These improvements are being completed in preparation for the upcoming Simcoe Street closure to ensure safe, clear, and efficient detour operations for all road users.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Residents should expect noise and vibration from construction equipment.
- Site lighting may be utilized if necessary and will be pointed away from homes.
- Crews will take reasonable precautions to minimize disturbances to residents and commuters, including but not limited to the following:
 - Reduced idling of non-essential equipment.
 - Safely securing the work area.
 - White noise backup alarms on vehicles and machinery as required.
 - Safety signage will be in place, and crews will follow all applicable safety and environmental guidelines.

HOURS OF WORK

- Work will take place Monday to Friday, between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- Work hours may be extended or rescheduled due to inclement weather, unforeseen circumstances or to advance work.
- Work will not occur on weekends or holidays.

PEDESTRIAN DETAILS

- No pedestrian sidewalks are affected.

TRAFFIC AND TRANSIT DETAILS

- Temporary lane closures will be required for the duration of the work.
- These closures will be implemented in stages along Bloor Street East and Ritson Road, as needed, to safely accommodate construction activities.
 - See Figure 1 for the phases of the lane closures.
- The transit bus stop may need to be temporarily relocated to accommodate this work. This includes the stop located in the southbound-west right lane.
 - See the Durham Region Transit website for further details.

OTHER INFORMATION

- Metrolinx has a dedicated community engagement team that collaborates with residents and businesses in the area.
- If you have any questions, please contact us using the information provided below. We apologize for any inconvenience and ask for your patience as we complete this critical work.
- We are committed to completing this work in a safe, efficient, and environmentally responsible manner. Every effort will be made to reduce impacts on residents, businesses, and the public.

Information as of December 2, 2025

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