

Ground improvement work at Pape and Sammon

Expected start date: As early as late March 2026

Expected duration: Approximately 9 months

Hours of work: Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

What is happening?

- The east side of Pape Avenue between Sammon Avenue and Aldwych Avenue is the future site of an emergency service building (ESB) for the Ontario Line. ESBs provide exits for riders and access for first responders in the event of an emergency in the underground subway tunnels, as well as access for maintenance teams to mechanical components and tracks.
- An underground track crossover, which will enable trains to switch tracks, is required in this portion of the line to allow trains to short turn for additional operational flexibility during service.
- The next phase of construction will focus on preparing the Sammon emergency services building site for jet grouting, a ground improvement method used to strengthen soil in advance of future construction.
- Abatement work will take place in advance of demolition scheduled for later this spring.
 - (Abatement includes identifying, containing and removing hazardous materials from buildings to prepare them for demolition.)



What to expect

- Crews will begin mobilizing the site to prepare for jet grouting work, planned for as early as late March. Jet grouting is a ground improvement technique that involves injecting grout deep into the soil to reinforce areas around future excavations.

- Mobilization will take place throughout March and into April within the existing site fencing (northern portion of the Sammon ESB site). Activities will include the delivery and setup of construction equipment, materials and temporary site facilities.
- Construction-related noise is expected during jet grouting activities. To help reduce impacts, 2.7-metre-tall noise walls will be installed along Pape Avenue and Sammon Avenue prior to the start of jet grouting.
- Environmental monitoring equipment will be placed on site to assess noise, vibration and dust levels from trucks and heavy construction equipment.
- Construction timing is subject to weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances.
- Work will take place during weekdays from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.

What's next?

Abatement work will also begin at six Metrolinx-owned properties located south of the existing construction site to prepare for demolition scheduled for later this spring, which will accommodate upcoming excavation activities. In addition to the demolition, existing utilities will need to be relocated.

We will continue to assess impacts and provide construction notices in advance of any work to keep you up to date and informed. For more information about upcoming work, please see [metrolinx.com/OntarioLineConstruction](https://www.metrolinx.com/OntarioLineConstruction) or sign up for the e-newsletter at [metrolinx.com/subscribe](https://www.metrolinx.com/subscribe).

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