

Demolitions at Pape and Sammon avenues

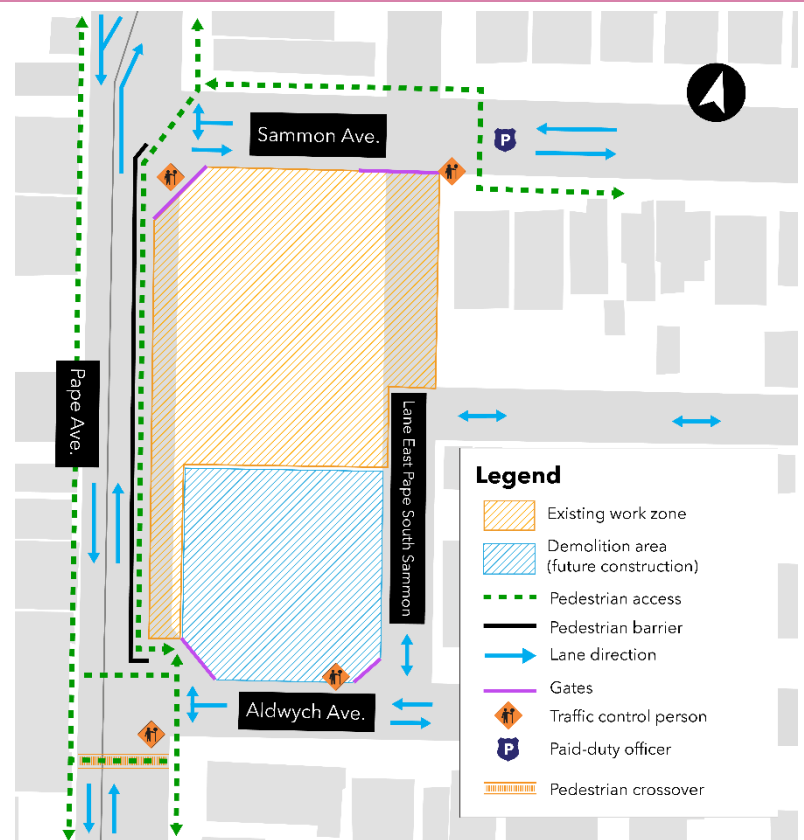
Expected start date: As early as late April 2026

Expected duration: Stage 1 will take approximately 1.5 months

Hours of work: Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

What is happening?

- To accommodate construction activities for the Sammon ESB, crews will demolish six (6) Metrolinx-owned properties located south of the existing construction site.
- Demolition works will take place in two stages over approximately 4.5 months. Information about traffic changes and construction activities for Stage 2 will be shared with the community in advance of that work beginning.
- Following demolition, crews will prepare the site for construction.
- 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.



What to expect

- Crews will start with installing additional fencing and preparing the site.

- Utility disconnections, abatement work (safe removal of potentially sensitive materials) and interior demolition will take place before structural (exterior) demolition.
 - Abatement work may require crews to wear masks or hazmat suits for worker health and safety. Abatement of hazardous materials is regulated by the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*.
- Noise, vibration and dust from trucks and heavy construction equipment is expected during demolition. Environmental monitoring equipment will be in place to help proactively identify any exceedances and take corrective action as needed.
- Construction timing is subject to change due to weather conditions and other unforeseen circumstances.
- Signage and safety barriers will be in place to separate work zones from public areas.
- Work will take place during weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Road closures:

- The two northbound traffic lanes on Pape Avenue are closed to accommodate a temporary pedestrian walkway and the construction site. The two existing southbound traffic lanes are reconfigured to provide one lane in each direction, maintaining both northbound and southbound traffic on Pape Avenue.
- Traffic personnel are on site during working hours to direct traffic and assist pedestrians.

What's next?

- Following demolition and ground improvement (jet grouting), support of excavation activities will begin in the southern area of the site, starting with the construction of additional slurry walls.
 - A slurry wall is a continuous concrete support wall built below ground level to reinforce the perimeter around the future excavation area. Excavation is required to construct the underground track crossover and above-ground emergency services building.
 - Slurry is a mix of water and clay used to support the surrounding soil during construction of the wall. It stabilizes the excavated trench before concrete is poured in.
- 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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