

# Ventilation shaft excavation at Osgoode North

**Expected start date:** Early July 2026

**Hours of work:** 24 hours day, six days per week

**Duration:** Up to seven months

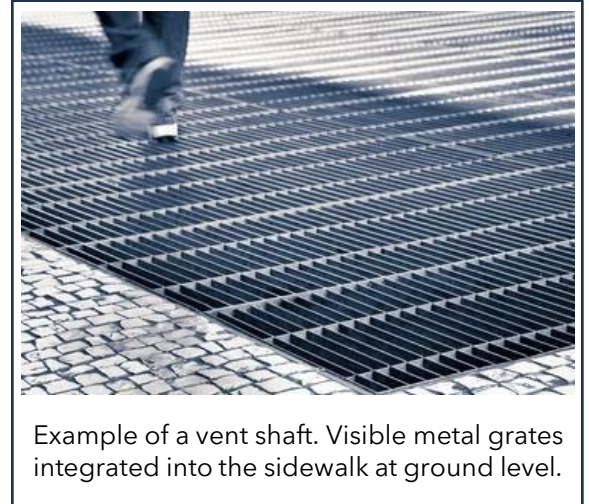
## What's happening:

Crews are preparing for the next phase of work at the future Osgoode north station site including **excavation of a ventilation shaft**. Piling for this shaft was previously completed in mid-2025.

Ventilation shafts are essential in subway systems, providing fresh air to tunnels and stations while releasing warm air. At street level, they typically appear as metal grates or structures integrated into the sidewalk or station area. Please see the image for an example

- Preparation for **excavation of soil, including hauling**.

**Note:** *Rock excavation (and supporting works) within the acoustic shelter at the north site is expected to be completed by early July.*



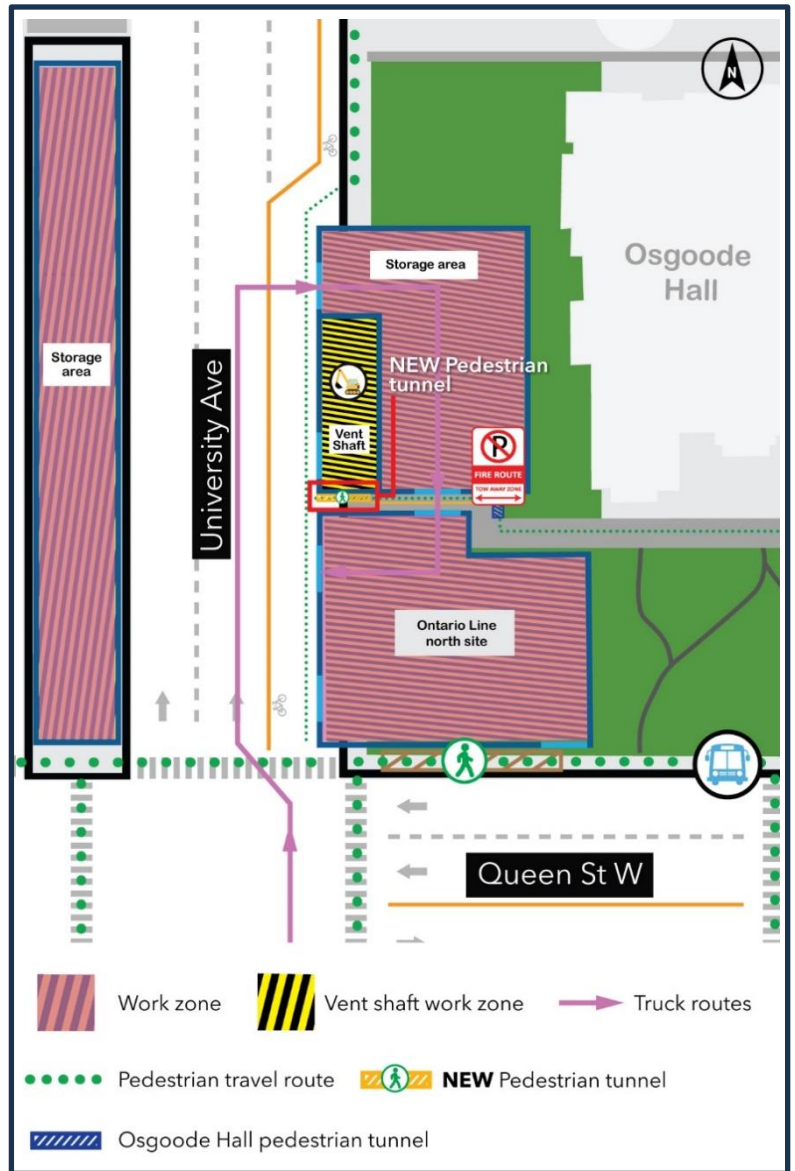
## What to expect:

- Work is expected to begin the first week of July 2026 and continue for up to seven months.
- Construction activities will be in two shifts, weekdays (Mon-Fri) from 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. and weekends (Saturdays) from 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. as required.
- Work will include excavators and cranes in operation, soil loading and hauling activities, rebar and formwork installation, and concrete pours.
- The pedestrian path and bike path will remain fully accessible. There will be no lane closures or reductions due to this work.
- Access to Osgoode Hall will be maintained at all times, with a minor shift southward through a pedestrian tunnel near University Avenue. Please see the map for details.
- Expected on-site equipment includes excavators, loaders, dump trucks, concrete trucks, and other machinery as needed.
- Vehicle traffic will enter and leave worksites daily, following specified routes.

- To reduce impacts on residents and businesses in the area, on-site mitigations include air quality sensors, noise and vibration monitoring, along with plywood hoarding, street sweeping, and mud mats for dust suppression.
- **Note:** Work may be postponed or re-scheduled due to unforeseen circumstances.
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