**CONSTRUCTION LIAISON COMMITTEE UPDATE**

*Mississauga North and Brampton South*

**November 2022**

Thank you for continuing your participation in the Hurontario LRT Construction Liaison Committee. We will be providing our CLC members with a digital update this month (see below).

Our next update will be scheduled for December 2022.

**ONGOING & UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION:**

**Mississauga North**

Road works crews are continuing with road-widening activities, including concrete pouring and paving at the Hwy 401 ramps. Other works include curb installations for the guideway, as well as drainage installations at Courtneypark Drive at the end of the month.

Dry utility Crews continue with telecom works along the corridor. Some of these activities are occurring at night to minimize impacts to vehicular traffic during the daytime hours.

Guideway works for track installation between intersections (mid-block) have been completed at Milverton Drive/Watline Avenue, as well as Sandstone Drive/Brunel Road. Partial closure at AldridgeStreet/Traders Boulevard for east-west traffic is almost complete. Matheson Boulevard has reduced lanes for east-west traffic, and will require a full closure for track welding and concrete pour and forming.

Guideway work continues from Derry Road to Topflight Drive along Hurontario Street. Two lanes of traffic will be primarily maintained in each direction whenever possible. Partial closures for Ambassador Drive/Hansa Haus Drive, as well as Kingsway Drive will begin this month for intersection track installations.

Excavation for guideway work from Topflight Drive to Edwards Boulevard have begun. These works will require temporary turning restrictions and lane closures. This route will create a path for the Light Rail Vehicles, connecting them from the corridor on Hurontario to the Operations Storage Maintenance Facility.

As works progress along the corridor, there will be temporary road and driveway closures at adjacent properties in order to install utilities that cross them. Please note that only one driveway will be impacted at a time, wherever possible, and we are working with property and business owners to minimize the impact.

We encourage motorists to plan for delays. We recommend entering properties by turning right in and exiting properties by turning right out. Please follow the signage in place and do not use private laneways and plaza parking lots as detour routes.

**Brampton South**

Construction staging expands along Hurontario Street as utility relocations, storm installations and ductbank installations continue. These works may take place overnight. They will prepare crews for guideway and track installations that will take place in the centre of the roadway.

The concrete foundation for the Overhead Catenary System (OCS) poles has been drilled and poured. Once installed, OCS will conduct power to the Light Rail Vehicles (LRVs) as they provide service along the corridor.

Working with an arborist to determine any tree impacts as construction moves forward, the team collaborates with the municipal authorities to ensure proper arboriculture techniques are employed and to confirm protection or removal requirements for trees located along the boulevard. These requirements have been developed by a certified arborist in consultation with the City of Brampton and Metrolinx.

Every reasonable attempt has been made to protect the trees we can as well as to reduce the need for tree removals. To minimize the impacts of construction on the natural environment, Mobilinx has fenced off public trees that have been identified by an arborist for protection. Municipal or private trees that need to be removed will be replaced in accordance with the City of Brampton permit requirements. We will continue to work with private property owners on an individual basis for private tree impacts that have been identified on their property.

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**PROJECT PROGRESS - QEW PUSH BOX**

Last month, crews successfully built and pushed into place an additional underpass for northbound vehicular traffic along Hurontario Street. This will accommodate the future LRT guideway that will run along the existing northbound lanes on Hurontario Street. A first in Ontario, this innovative feat of engineering had crews working around the clock to have the underpass pushed into place over the course of a weekend and allowed traffic to resume normal operations first thing Monday morning along the QEW. Like the push box structure that has been built for the Lakeshore West underpass, installing this underpass using Petrucco’s box-jacking technique helped to minimize the disruption to motorists by as much as several months to over a year. Next up is the relocation of the eastbound on ramp to make room for north bound Hurontario traffic to use the new underpass.

Read the full story and watch the time laps video on Metrolinx news! <https://blog.metrolinx.com/2022/11/14/new-underpass-has-been-installed-at-hurontario-and-qew/>

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**Canvass**

Community canvassing is a great way to connect with residents. Our community engagement recently canvassed in Mississauga North and Brampton South neighbourhoods to chat with residents about new updates like track installation near Matheson and Hurontario. We gave them information about the Hazel McCallion Line and also how to reach our team with questions or concerns.

**Out in the Community**

The community engagement team is attending events where and when possible, to create more opportunities for those important one on one conversations with the residents of Mississauga and Brampton.

Here is where you can find us over the next few weeks!

Streetsville Holiday Night Market @ Vic Johnston Community Centre, November 25th 6pm to 10pm

Burnhamthorpe Library Pop-Up, November 23rd 3pm to 5pm

Brampton Court House: Wednesday November 30th, from 10am-12pm

Brampton YMCA Pop-Up, December 6th 8:30 am to 10am

Huron Park Library Pop-Up, December 7th 4pm to 6pm

South Common Mall Library, December 14th 4pm to 6pm

**Safety**

Safety is our number one priority and a shared responsibility. Please note and follow construction signage as you walk, cycle or drive along Hurontario Street. Pedestrians are advised to only cross at signalized intersections and always walk on designated pathways.

**Contact Us**

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Metrolinx Community Relations team at 416-202-7500 or email Peel@metrolinx.com

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