



November 2, 2012

**CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #23: Queens Quay Revitalization
Stage One: Week of November 5 to November 9, 2012**

REMINDER: CHANGE IN TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

Starting Monday, November 5, traffic on Queens Quay will move to one-way westbound-only between Bay St. and Lower Spadina Ave. to enable construction for the revitalization of Queens Quay. All north-south streets will remain open and eastbound traffic will be rerouted to Lake Shore Blvd./Harbour St. One way traffic will be maintained throughout the first stage of construction from Fall 2012 through Spring 2013. Complete Queens Quay traffic routing information [here](#).

Weather Delays
All construction activities were impacted and delayed due to inclement weather during the week of October 29.

In order to facilitate the eastbound closure, crews have installed concrete jersey barriers with fencing along the north edge of the TTC corridor. The barriers and fencing will protect construction workers, motorists and pedestrians in the area. Construction signage will be installed to direct motorists.

WATERFRONT TORONTO/EASTERN CONSTRUCTION

The TTC corridor demolition is underway across from 350 Queens Quay (Beer Store) with crews working east to York St. Crews are saw cutting concrete curbs and using a hoe ram (an excavator with a jackhammer-type head) to break-up the concrete. The debris is removed from the site by dump trucks and sent for recycling.

What to Expect:

Construction noise should be expected with this work (within the City's Construction Noise Bylaw). Crews will mobilize beginning at 7am each day, but noisy work, as agreed with local stakeholders, will not begin until 8am. Two westbound travel lanes will be maintained although lanes closures may be required in certain areas as jersey barriers are set or moved. There will be no disruption to pedestrians.

TORONTO HYDRO

Dewatering activities will resume after last week when all Toronto Hydro crews and contractors were focused on restoring power to customers following the windstorm. Crews will continue working in two locations: outside the Westin Hotel and on the north side of Queens Quay between Bay St. and York St. Dewatering, allows crews to maintain a dry, stable and safe condition during excavation and construction.

NOTE! POSSIBLE SATURDAY WORK
PLP may work at the northeast corner of York St. and Queens Quay on Saturday, November 3, weather permitting. PLP is scheduled to begin the construction of a cable chamber in this location. Work will occur between 9am and 5pm with intermittent noise disruptions.

At the Westin Hotel, instrumentation to measure settlement monitoring will be installed this week.

West of Bay St., a second crew will continue constructing a dewatering system which includes well head installation and chamber work at the north-east corner of York St. and Queens Quay, next to the York St. off-ramp.

What to Expect:

Westin Hotel Area: Fast fence has been erected along the length of sidewalk adjacent to the hotel. There will be minimal pedestrian disruption as crews will be predominately working from the curbside eastbound traffic lane (which is closed to traffic in this area).

Between Bay St. and York St.: Crews will begin to connect the well points in preparation of dewatering. Construction noise can be expected with this work as hydro-vac trucks are used. One lane of westbound traffic may be impacted in this area throughout the day. Paid-duty police officers will direct traffic as required. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

BELL

Splicing: Expertech will resume splicing - or connecting - newly installed copper & fibre cables in two manholes located in the intersection of York Street and Queens Quay. A single Expertech van and crew will park near each of these locations with traffic barrels and signs marking their work area.

Cabling: Expertech will also continue and complete its new cable installations between these same two manholes locations at York Street and Queens Quay. Crews will pull new cables from their truck and between each manhole. The truck will be parked near the curb lanes adjacent to the sidewalk with traffic barrels and security cones around each work zone. There will be minimal pedestrian disruption as crews will be predominately working from the adjacent traffic lane. Paid duty police officers will be on site as necessary to direct traffic.

ENBRIDGE

Crews are expected to complete their work between York St. and Lower Simcoe St. early in the week and will move to their second work zone west of Lower Simcoe St. Crews will saw-cut concrete curbs, trench and install a new 6" gas main pipe working west to Ann Tindal Park where the work zone will divert slightly south into part of the sidewalk area.

What to Expect:

Construction noise should be expected with this work (within the City's Construction Noise Bylaw). Crews will mobilize beginning at 7am, but noisy work, as agreed with local stakeholders, will not begin until 8am. Crews will not impact traffic (as they are working in the eastbound lanes which are closed). The sidewalk will remain open but some diversion pathways may be required.

TTC

Rails for the westbound TTC streetcar tracks have been positioned within the Harbourfront Portal and ramp area. Work to set the rails with plates and then embedded in concrete will continue with little or no disruption to vehicle access along Queens Quay is expected.

TTC Operations

During one-way traffic operations, the 509 Harbourfront replacement bus will continue to operate westbound on Queens Quay to Exhibition Place. Eastbound buses will be diverted via Lake Shore Blvd. and Harbour St. Complete TTC routing information [here](#).

LOOK AHEAD: UPCOMING WORK

- Eastern/Waterfront Toronto: Demolition of the TTC corridor will continue east of towards Rees St.
- Hydro: Dewatering continues in front of the Westin hotel and the Bay St. to York St. area.
- Bell: Cabling & splicing activities will continue.
- TTC: Construction and remediation work will continue in the Harbourfront Portal.
- Enbridge: Trenching and installation of new gas main continue from Lower Simcoe St. west to Rees St.

Questions:

For more information about this work, please email info@waterfrontoronto.ca or for urgent construction issues, contact Robert Pasut, Eastern Construction - (416) 505-3073.