

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #99 Queens Quay Revitalization

For the week of May 19 to May 23, 2014

CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Site Clean-up: Long Weekend

Eastern will undertake a site clean-up in advance of the Victoria Day weekend. Crews are cleaning up litter, debris and tightening fences wherever possible.

Partial Intersection Closures for TTC Work

The Lower Simcoe/Queens Quay intersection will remain closed to northbound and southbound traffic until May 23 for TTC streetcar corridor work across the intersection. The next partial intersection closures will be at York Street and Rees Street. The Lower Simcoe and Lower Spadina intersections will re-open prior to these closures. We will issue a Special Notice with specific dates and detailed information next week.

WEEKEND WORK: May 17/18/19

Eastern Construction will have multiple crews working on the TTC track rebuild this long weekend:

- **York to Bay Street:** Crews pouring concrete to encase rails at the new RBC Centre and excavations east of York Street.
- **Harbourfront Centre/Lower Simcoe:** Crews working on the TTC trackbed preparations.
- **Rees Street & Queens Quay:** Crews excavating west of Rees Street.
- **Lower Spadina/Queens Quay:** Crews working on the rebuild/pour of concrete of the tracks and loop corridor.
- **410 Queens Quay:** Crews working track just west of the 410 driveway entrance.

TTC crews work 24-hour shifts and are noise by-law exempt. Some night work may be possible over the weekend period. For information, please contact Robert Pasut, Eastern Construction at (416) 505-3073.

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

TTC Track Delivery and Installation Continues

Work continues across the site. Last week, TTC crews delivered four 100 metre sections of rails that cross the Lower Simcoe intersection. Crews immediately began joining this set of rails to those which were placed west of Lower Simcoe. Setting these rails in concrete is scheduled to occur over the long weekend, weather permitting. The 20 metre section of rails for the area by the Ellis-Don/RBC Centre was also set last week, and is now ready to receive the pour of concrete.

Spadina Loop Reconstruction

The excavation and rebuild of **Section C** is underway. Crews completed the excavation and pour of the concrete base slab extension west of the 410 Queens Quay property. The work associated with **Section D** at Queens Quay/Lower Spadina was completed last week. Work included detailed alignments and grade, before the welding of all rail sections was completed. The tracks will now be encased in concrete over the long weekend. A small section of concrete will be omitted to allow TTC crews to complete final splicing/welding details. Read the [Spadina Loop Special Notice](#) for more information.

REMINDERS

Progress Update Presentation

Earlier this week, we gave a Queens Quay progress update to a group of local waterfront residents. Here's the presentation for those of you who weren't able to join the meeting - <http://ow.ly/wTtWk>

Rebuilding Queens Quay Video

A new video peels back the pavement to show what we're building underground on Queens Quay buff.ly/1mC0DxQ

Gangways Open

Join the [Waterfront BIA](#) for "Gangways Open on Toronto's Waterfront" a unique part of the 15th Annual Doors Open event – May 24 and 25.



TTC Splicing Chamber: Install Complete

The delivery and installation of the last Queens Quay splicing chamber — located just east of the Rees/Robertson intersection was completed last week.

Queens Quay Granite Sidewalk Installation / Parking Laybys

- *York Ramp:* Crews will continue with the installation of granite pavers from the York Ramp Parkette west to York Street.
- *Queens Quay Terminal:* Work was completed and the area was reopened to the public last week.
- *208 & 218 Queens Quay to Lower Simcoe:* The new sidewalk area next to the storefronts at 218 west to Lower Simcoe was completed and reopened to the public last week. The north east corner of Lower Simcoe is now closed to allow crews to prepare and set the new curved granite curbs this week. Crews will continue to prepare the sub-base at the 208 Queens Quay storefronts and the 208/218 driveway in preparation for granite pavers which will begin to be installed on Tuesday, May 20. This work has been coordinated with the WaterClub property management team and individual businesses.
- *Harbourfront Centre:* Last week, completed the maple leaf pattern placements for the new granite pavers being installed this week. The entire length of granite landscape work which includes the parking entrance/exit for Harbourfront is on schedule to be completed by the end of June.
- *Simcoe WaveDeck:* Despite poor weather conditions approximately 75% of the work in this area was completed and reopened to the public prior to the Victoria Day long weekend. The remaining 25% of granite will be completed and the area reopened by mid-week.
- *Lower Simcoe to Rees Parkette:* Crews will continue with the forming and pouring of the removable tree trench panels, the two new parking laybys, and the set and pour of the new curb cradles prior to installing the new granite curbs.
- *HTO Park East:* The demolition of the existing southside sidewalks is underway from just west of the Peter Slip Bridge to the Rees WaveDeck. A pedestrian diversion path is in place through HTO Park East. Access to the Fire and EMS station will be maintained.

Sidewalk Work: Kings Landing (460/470/480 Queens Quay)

Demolition and removal of the concrete public sidewalks in this area (north side) is scheduled to begin this week once the TTC rails have been fully encased in concrete at the Lower Spadina and Queens Quay intersection.

New Streetlight, Traffic and TTC Pole Foundations

Crews are installing pole foundations across the Queens Quay corridor in the following locations:

- *Crossing intersections to Queens Quay - Bay/ Lower Simcoe/ Rees /Spadina:* Crews will continue with exploratory test pits using hydro-vac trucks, and continue drilling at these traffic intersections along Queens Quay. This work is required to expose, locate, and identify sub-surface conflicts and obstructions in advance of the street light pole foundation installations.
- *Bay to Rees:* This week, crews will continue with the exploratory work on pole foundations near 10/20 Bay and the remaining pole foundations at the north-west corner of York Street which will be constructed as spread footings. In order to complete this work, diversion pedestrian paths will be required, and coordinated with Ellis-Don and Oxford Properties, in subsequent weeks.
- *401 Queens Quay to Yo Yo Ma Lane:* Excavations and drilling for foundations/beams for cantilevered poles are on-hold since Hydro-vac operations are still required for some new pole foundations in this area due to obstructions. This also accommodates the continued rebuild of TTC tracks at the Spadina Loop.

Storm and Sanitary Construction Activities		What to Expect
York to Bay: Despite high ground water levels in this area, crews will continue working on remaining catch basins and tie-ins to newly installed infrastructures.	➡	Crews will work within the fenced-off construction area.
Robertson Crescent West to Peter Slip Bridge: Crews continue to work on the final activities for the new storm line/watermain system west of Rees. This work includes the remaining catch basins, manholes and associated tie-ins to the newly installed storm main.	➡	Excavation, backfilling, and construction activities are performed behind jersey barrier and fast fence. Construction noise should be expected with this construction work.
Spadina to Yo Yo Ma: Remaining catch basin and manhole installations on the south side of Queens Quay at the Music Garden are now on-hold to allow for the rebuild of the Spadina Loop.	➡	When this work resumes, it will during the day shift only. Some noise can be expected as crews continue with these activities.

Telecommunications Work

Distinct Technical Cable Services crews (sub-contractor for Rogers, Cogeco, and Allstream) will continue working at various locations along the Queens Quay. All work will be performed behind jersey barriers/fast fence with no impacts to pedestrians or traffic.

More Information:

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