



CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #75 Queens Quay Revitalization

Week of November 18, to November 22, 2013

PLEASE NOTE: Sunday, November 17th is the **Toronto Santa Claus Parade**. The parade will affect the 509 Harbourfront bus route. To view a route diversion map or for more information, please visit [TTC's website](#).

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Essential Services Night Work

There are no scheduled overnight work activities for essential water services this week.

Queens Quay Terminal Building

Crews have completed the restoration of the concrete steps at the northwest corner and leading from the landscape gardens of the Queens Quay Terminal building. The concrete is now being allowed to cure before final sandblasting is performed, later this week, weather permitting.

The "mock up" of the exposed aggregate sidewalk that will be installed next spring to match existing sidewalk in this area of the Queens Quay Terminal property has been reviewed and approved by the design team. This area will remain closed to pedestrians, with alternative diversion paths available.

This week, construction crews will begin the demolition of the "island median" and old taxi stand area of the 207 Queens Quay property. This work is in preparation and installation of the Bell Canada ground level box, and the new granite landscaping of this area. To accommodate for this work, a pedestrian path will be constructed along the south curb and traffic lane with fast fence and jersey barriers. This path will direct pedestrians past the Queens Quay Terminal building from the west driveway entrance to just east of York Street. This work has been coordinated with and approved by the property management team for 207 Queens Quay.

York Ramp Area

This week, crews will continue with the installation of pole foundations, traffic signals, hand wells, and the modifications to the existing curb and traffic lanes for the new design of Queens Quay. Final landscape work including new granite pavers will occur in subsequent weeks. The right turn lane at Queens Quay/York Street (for northbound traffic onto York Street) is temporarily closed but right turns will still be permitted from the westbound travel lane.

Bay Street Portal

Toronto Hydro and PLP crews are continuing their work on the trenching and duct bank activities from the Scotiabank east to Bay Street. All work is performed within the construction zone with no impacts to vehicles or pedestrians.

Eastern Construction has maintained a laydown area to accommodate crews working for the Property Managers of 33 Harbour Square as they build a new fitness centre and spa on the third floor of this property. Work continues on this project, with an expected completion date of early December.

Queens Quay Granite Sidewalk Installation / Parking Laybys

- *PawsWay/Simcoe WaveDeck:* Crews will continue laying the new granite pavers across the front of the 245 Queens Quay property (creating the maple leaf pattern). The section along the south curb and to the east leg of Robertson Crescent is expected to be completed by the end of the week. Crews will complete the cleanup of the area before they "flip" their activities and begin demolition and removal of existing pavers near the building and storefronts. Access to the storefronts will be maintained at all times.

- *West of the 208 & 218 Queens Quay driveway:* Last week, crews continued to lay the granite pavers across the front of the 208 Queen Quay property. Completed sections are now covered with tarps to protect and allow the polymeric sand to bond and cure. This work will continue west, towards Lower Simcoe which includes the installation of remaining caissons for street poles, and the preparations and construction of the second layby in front of 218 Queens Quay. A vac-truck will be required for the placement of the streetlight foundations, so intermittent construction noise can be expected with this work. Pedestrian access passing this area on the north side of Queens Quay will be maintained at all times.
- *Rees WaveDeck area:* Crews have completed the placement of the granite pavers across the face of the Harbourfront Sailing & Powerboating building and west side of the Rees/Robertson intersection. This area is now open to the public, allowing for pedestrians to travel on the new granite pavers. The area just south of the south curb of Queens Quay has now been fenced off allowing crews to complete their landscape work.

New Streetlight, Traffic and TTC Pole Foundations

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

- *York Off Ramp Area:* Crews have completed the installation of caissons for new street poles in this area.
- *Harbourfront Centre / Lower Simcoe:* Crews have completed the placement of the caisson foundations required for the new streetlight and traffic poles at the north and south side of the Lower Simcoe and Queens Quay intersection. Toronto Hydro and PLP crews are now working on the cable chamber, trenching and duct bank activities west of the 207 Queens Quay driveway area.
- *North side of Queens Quay (West of Rees Street to the Rees Street Parking Lot):* Last week, crews completed the removal of soil and began preparations of the bedding and concrete bases from the Beer Store entrance east and directly in front of the Rees Street parking lot. Crews also completed the installation of new electrical services for the lot attendant booth and the relocation of the street food vendor. Half of the parking lot entrance (east side) has been closed to accommodate for the reconstruction efforts. Over the next two weeks, this area will have concrete bases formed and poured, and granite pavers will begin to be laid. Once completed, crews will flip to work on the other half (west side) of this entrance. This work has been coordinated with the support and approval of the Harbourfront Centre management team. A temporary pedestrian path has been constructed to allow for safe passage along this area.
- *Peter Slip Bridge west to Lower Spadina:* Crews will continue to place pole foundations required for the new TTC, streetlight and traffic poles in this area.
- *Yo Yo Ma Lane:* The installation of caissons and the new street pole foundations in this area is now complete. Toronto Hydro and PLP crews have now occupied this area and are ready to begin their work activities.

Spadina Loop Reconstruction

Last weekend, crews completed the first stage of work for the TTC Spadina Loop reconstruction located at the Lower Spadina and Lake Shore Blvd area.

The pedestrian sidewalk in this area remains closed, with an alternative path available along the southside of Lake Shore Blvd towards the covered laneway adjacent to 390 Queens Quay and the Shoppers Drug Mart.

The rebuild of a second existing splicing chamber within the loop (behind the 410 Queens Quay condominium) has been completed. Crews will continue with the tie-in of the conduit pipes to/from this splicing chamber and the third splicing chamber located at the southeast corner of the 410 Queens Quay property, adjacent the Shoppers Drug Mart.

This week, the concrete base structure for the interior loop area will be formed and poured. Once the concrete base has cured, TTC crews are scheduled to deliver and place the new rails for the Spadina Loop during the evening shifts. Paid duty Police will direct traffic which will require some short term (15-20 minute) closures. Construction noise should be expected.

Please see our Spadina Loop Reconstruction [Special Construction Notice](#) for more information about this work.

Telecommunications Work

Distinct Technical Cable Services – DTS, the sub-contractor for Rogers, Cogeco, and Allstream has returned to the Queens Quay Revitalization project site. Crews are waiting on final “locates” before they begin work on their infrastructure and cabling activities at various locations along the Queens Quay. All work will be performed behind jersey barriers and fast fence with no impacts to pedestrians or vehicular traffic.

TTC Splicing Chambers

Crews have completed the majority of TTC splicing chambers outside of the loop area. Three pre-cast chambers remain to be installed between Lower Simcoe west to Rees Street. This work will be scheduled to begin once sanitary crews complete their work in this area. The first of these remaining splicing chambers will be installed just west of the Rees/Robertson and Queens Quay intersection.

Storm and Sanitary Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p>Bay to York: This week crews are expected to complete the installation of the main sanitary line to the east side of York Street. Remaining work in this area is associated with tie-ins, removals, and decommissioning of the old sanitary system.</p>		<p>Construction noise should be expected as crews proceed with construction west to York Street.</p>
<p>Simcoe to Rees: The new sanitary line installation has now reached the Radisson Hotel area. A traffic shift is now in place to facilitate the construction work as it progresses west towards the Rees/Robertson intersection. Last week, crews completed half of the east leg of Robertson Crescent, and this week, will complete the second half (west side) and continue past the front of the hotel. Activities and pace are heavily dependent on dewatering in this area.</p>		<p>All sanitary construction work occurs behind jersey barriers/protective fencing. Construction noise/dust should be expected.</p> <p>Construction work and vehicle traffic exiting the east leg of Robertson Crescent is assisted and directed by flagmen.</p>

Toronto Hydro Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p><i>West of the Yonge Slip:</i> Work on the chamber in this area will continue this week. Progress is heavily dependent on water levels in this area, but work is expected to be completed in the next few weeks.</p>		<p>Work will occur behind the construction fencing and jersey barriers, currently in place.</p>
<p><i>Bay Street west to York Street:</i> PLP crews will continue the trenching and duct bank activities directly in front of the Scotiabank.</p>		<p>Crews will work within the construction zone which is protected by fast fence and jersey barriers. Some noise can be expected as crews continue their construction activities in this area.</p>
<p><i>Lower Simcoe/Harbourfront Centre:</i> Last week, crews mobilized to this area of Queens Quay, and began construction of a new cable chamber. This work will continue. The tentative completion date is November 20.</p>		<p>Crews will work within the construction zone which is protected by fast fence and jersey barriers. Some noise can be expected as crews continue their construction activities in this area.</p>
<p><i>Lower Simcoe to Rees Street:</i> Crews will continue with the rebuild of a cable chamber located east of Rabba Foods (north side of Queens Quay). Expected completion date is November 15.</p>		<p>Crews will work within the construction zone which is protected by fast fence and jersey barriers. Some noise can be expected as crews continue their construction activities in this area.</p>

Toronto Hydro Construction Activities		What to Expect
<i>EMS/Fire Station:</i> Crews will continue work on the second cable chamber located west of the driveway of 339 Queens Quay address and the south side of Queens Quay. The tentative completion date is November 20.	➔	Excavation and construction activities are performed behind jersey barrier and fast fence. Some noise can be expected with these activities.
<i>Lower Spadina to YoYo Ma Lane:</i> PLP crews will continue trenching activities at the intersection of Lower Spadina/Queens Quay and west to Yo Yo Ma Lane. Some delay of work occurred last week with the emergency repair of the watermain in this area.	➔	This work continues behind the protection of jersey barriers and construction zone. Some noise should be expected as crews continue these trenching activities.

NOTE! Saturday Work

On Saturday, November 16, Toronto Hydro (PLP) will have two crews working at these locations, weather permitting:

- Between Bay & York Street (Scotiabank area) - trenching activities
- West of 339 Queens Quay (EMS/Fire Station) – new cable chamber construction

For more information, please contact Toronto Hydro’s Customer Operations Representative – Andrea Ramnares at aramnares@torontohydro.com or 416-542-3767.

TTC Portal

TTC crews will continue with the water and leak remediation efforts within the Bay Street tunnel. Some noise should be expected from “back-up” truck alarms as they exit the top of the portal ramp. There will be little or no disruption to vehicular access along Queens Quay while this work is in progress.

LOOK AHEAD: UPCOMING WORK

Eastern/Waterfront Toronto:

- Sanitary sewer work will continue east of the York & Queens Quay area.
- The rebuild of the Spadina TTC Loop will continue. Northbound traffic will continue to be closed on Lower Spadina (between Queens Quay and Lake Shore)
- Preparations for the construction of the new storm line west of the Rees WaveDeck will continue.
- Granite sidewalk pavers will continue to be installed between York and Simcoe and the construction of a second layby in front of 218 Queens Quay.
- Landscape work will continue in front of PawsWay.
- Construction of sanitary and storm services will continue between Bay and York and Simcoe and Rees.
- Sandblasting of steps at Queens Quay Terminal adjacent the taxi stand

Hydro: Chamber construction will continue at all locations – with some work contingent upon dewatering levels.

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.