

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #85 Queens Quay Revitalization

For the week of February 10 to February 14, 2014

CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Night Work/Water Shut-off: Municipal Services – York to Bay

Last week, crews continued with overnight catch basin and manhole installations on the north side of Queens Quay between York and Bay. Overnight work will continue this week between the York Ramp / 85 Harbour service driveway and Bay Street.

Due to extreme weather conditions last week, only one of the two new fire hydrants was installed on the north side of Queens Quay between York and Bay. The associated overnight water supply shut-off for **33, 55/65 Harbour Square and 85 Harbour Street (Ellis-Don/RBC)** has been rescheduled for the following date and time:

- Tuesday, February 11th from 11:30pm to Wednesday, February 12th at 5:30am

This work has been coordinated and communicated to the property managers, businesses, and residents of these properties.

Family Day: Monday, February 17th

Posters promoting Family Day on Toronto’s Waterfront have been placed along the fast fence on Queens Quay. There will be a number of FREE family activities along the waterfront to enjoy. Visit www.waterfrontbia.com to learn more.

Note: There are no scheduled construction activities during the long weekend.

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Spadina Loop Reconstruction

Section A

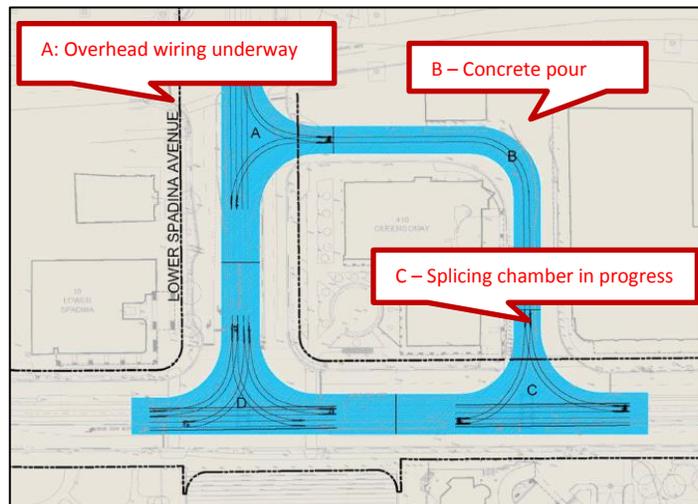
Further overhead cable installations will occur once the new tracks are set in concrete, and adjacent road surface completed. This work is weather dependent.

Section B

Due to the heavy snowfalls, the concrete forming and the pour of concrete of this area was delayed last week. This work is performed by TTC crews that are also responsible for clearing, and salting all TTC platforms. This work will resume this week, weather permitting.

Section C Rebuild – TTC Splicing Chamber at Shoppers Drug Mart

Crews continued work despite the inclement weather conditions. This week, crews are scheduled to continue with the forming and concrete pour of the floor of the splicing chamber. This will be followed by the new walls to the new design specifications.



The laneway is closed to incoming and outgoing traffic. Access to the Maple Leaf Quay/Shoppers Drug Mart parking lot is available from the east side of the property (Beer Store entrance). East/west pedestrian access along the north side of Queens Quay will be maintained at all times. The TTC 510 bus route will continue to run along its detour route westbound to Dan Leckie Way and then north to Fort York Blvd., before turning north onto Spadina Avenue.

TTC Splicing Chambers – Outside of the Spadina Loop Area

The new pre-cast TTC splicing chamber has been installed near the entrance to Ann Tindal Park. Last week, crews continued with the duct and tie-in work on the east side of this new chamber. Crews will continue this work, and are expected to complete the backfill and temporary road restoration of this area in the next two weeks.

Traffic Management Plan

Three minor traffic/lane shifts were completed last week despite the inclement weather conditions and heavy snowfalls. They are located at:

- The Rees Street Parkette, and west to the Rees Slip area: Traffic has been diverted further south and will now use the south curb lane past the Radisson Hotel.
- West of York Street to Lower Simcoe: Westbound traffic has been diverted to the southbound lane, past the Queens Quay Terminal Building.
- West of the Bay Street Portal to the York Street intersection: Traffic has now been diverted from the north to south lanes in this area.

York Ramp Area

Last week, crews were kept busy clearing snow from this area in order to continue with the preparation of the sub-base and bedding for the new granite installation and landscape work in this area. Two temporary light poles were also erected on the permanent foundations. A pedestrian path has been constructed around this work zone using concrete jersey barriers. Pedestrians are diverted to use the north westbound traffic lane past this construction zone. The right turn lane at Queens Quay/York (for northbound traffic onto York) will remain closed, but right turns will still be permitted.

Queens Quay Granite Sidewalk Installation / Parking Laybys

- *Queens Quay Terminal:* Last week, crews completed the construction of the scaffold and canopy structure which will protect this area and crews working on the installation of the new granite pavers. Ground heaters have been deployed and are now in service maintaining the ground conditions as the granite curbs and pavers will be placed this week. The temporary pedestrian path which passed this work zone on the Queens Quay road way has been removed. Pedestrians are now diverted to use the path between the Queens Quay Terminal building and their elevated garden area.
- *PawsWay/Simcoe WaveDeck:* Last week, ground heaters were deployed to begin the thaw of ground frost which was quite heavy in this area. This week, crews will begin to erect scaffold and canopies to protect their work areas and begin the installation of the remaining granite leaf pattern pavers for the 245 Queens Quay building. A pedestrian walkway has been created with access to PawsWay/Williams Cafe which is maintained from the west side of the front doors (the east side will remain closed).
- *West of the 208 & 218 Queens Quay Driveway:* Last week, crews continued with the sub-base bedding preparations and forming of the remaining tree trench covers, and the base structures for the new granite in this area. Crews have assembled two portable tent structures that protect crews working on the installation of granite curbs and layby in this area. Approximately 50% of the layby has now been completed. Ground heaters and tarps will be used by crews as they continue the installation of new granite in this area.
- *North side of Queens Quay (west of Rees to the Beer Store):* Crews have now completed 100% of the new granite sidewalk in this area and dismantled the scaffolding which was protecting their work. Crews also completed the eastern half of the parking lot entrance, and this week will “flip” to start the western half of the parking lot entrance, which will be closed to accommodate the reconstruction efforts. This work is coordinated with the Harbourfront Centre.

New Streetlight, Traffic and TTC Pole Foundations

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

- *Bay to York:* Crews have completed the drilling of caissons and installing pole foundations for the new TTC, streetlight and traffic poles near the 55/65 Harbour Square entrance and the east side of the York and Queens Quay intersection. Three TTC poles, required for the overhead cabling system, remain to be placed in this area.

Portions of the Queens Quay roadway were recently asphalted to accommodate for the traffic shift that occurred last week. Vehicular access for the Harbour Square condominiums will be maintained at all times.

- *208 & 218 Queens Quay:* Crews have now installed the four temporary light poles required for this area, and also removed the old, existing poles. This week, crews are expected to complete final preparations for the installation of new granite. Pedestrian access will be maintained around the work area at all times.
- *Peter Slip Bridge west to Lower Spadina:* Due to the recent inclement weather conditions, crews are expected to complete the installation of remaining pole foundations in the area of the 401 Queens Quay condominiums now that site service crews have cleared this area.

Storm and Sanitary Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p>Bay to York: Crews will continue with the installation of catch basins and manholes along the north side of Queens Quay between York and Bay Streets. This work is scheduled to continue during the night shift as well.</p>	➡	<p>Construction noise should be expected as crews complete the catch basin and manhole work. Crews will work in the traffic lane adjacent to the sidewalk.</p>
<p>Simcoe to Rees: Construction of the new sanitary line is now within the Rees St/Robertson Crescent intersection. A traffic shift, (from the north side to the south side) was setup last week which allowed crews to perform additional exploratory work on underground conflicts, and the redesign of manholes in this area. Southbound traffic on Robertson Crescent will remain one-way, due to this construction activity.</p>	➡	<p>All work is occurring behind jersey barriers/ protective fencing. Construction noise should be expected.</p>
<p>Peter Slip Bridge to YoYo Ma: Construction of the catch basins and manholes located on the south side of Queens Quay and the sidewalk area of the Music Garden will continue this week. Approximately 60% of this work has been completed in this area.</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 with their construction /trenching activities for the new manholes and catch basins in this area.</p>

Toronto Hydro Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p><i>Bay Street West to York Street:</i> Last week, crews encountered difficulties and delays due to the inclement weather conditions.</p> <p>This week, crews will continue with the road crossing lateral from the south west cable chamber at Bay/Queens Quay, to the existing duct bank on the north side.</p>	➡	<p>Some noise can be expected as crews complete their construction and cleanup activities in this area.</p> <p>Crews will work within the construction zone which is protected by fast fence and jersey barriers. Some noise can be expected while this work is in progress.</p>
<p><i>85 Harbour – Waterpark Place III:</i> Crews will resume work with the tie-in of the duct banks located at the Ellis-Don driveway.</p>	➡	<p>Crews are working at the Gate #1 exit with flagmen as required.</p>
<p><i>York Street West to Lower Simcoe:</i> This week, crews are scheduled to continue with the duct bank on the south side of Queens Quay and Lower</p>	➡	<p>Excavation and construction activities are performed behind jersey barrier and fast fence. Metal road</p>

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Simcoe. Crews have reached the mid-point of the Harbourfront Centre entrance, and expect to “flip” to continue on the west side of the entrance. This work will be coordinated with Harbourfront Centre management.		plates are used to cover open trenches. Flagmen assist with traffic access to/from the HarbourFront Centre during this construction activity.
<i>EMS/Fire Station:</i> Crews have completed the roping of the new ductbanks in this area. This week, crews are expected to complete the temporary road restorations in this area.	➔	Excavation and construction activities are performed behind jersey barrier and fast fence. Some noise can be expected with these activities.

NOTE! No Saturday Work

Toronto Hydro (PLP) will have no crews working this weekend – February 8/9, 2014. For more information, please contact Toronto Hydro’s Customer Operations Representative – Andrea Ramnares at aramnares@torontohydro.com or 416-542-3767.

Telecommunications Work

Distinct Technical Cable Services crews (sub-contractor for Rogers, Cogeco, and Allstream) are expected to return to the QQR project and resume their work on the cable chamber located on the east side of the Beer Store entrance, as well as various locations along Queens Quay. All work will be performed behind jersey barriers/fast fence with no impacts to pedestrians or traffic.

TTC Portal

TTC crews are continuing with the water and leak remediation efforts within the Bay Street tunnel. Some noise should be expected from “back-up” truck alarms as they occasionally 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

- The rebuild of the Spadina TTC Loop continues. Northbound traffic will remain 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.
- Construction of sanitary services will continue at the Rees Street and Robertson Crescent intersection.
- Granite sidewalk pavers will continue to be installed at 208 and 218 Queens Quay; Queens Quay Terminal; Rees Parking Lot – west side/entrance, and PawsWay/Simcoe Slip.
- TTC pole, catch basins, and manhole installations will continue from Spadina to Yo Yo Ma 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.