



CONSTRUCTION NOTICE #70 Queens Quay Revitalization

Week of October 14 to October 18, 2013

CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Thanksgiving Holiday

There are no construction activities scheduled for Monday, October 14.

Spadina Loop Construction – Traffic Changes

Starting Tuesday, October 15 at 6am, northbound traffic will be closed on Lower Spadina between Queens Quay and Lake Shore Blvd. This closure is required to accommodate the reconstruction of the Spadina Loop. Northbound traffic – including the 510 Spadina bus – will be diverted via Dan Leckie Way and Fort York Blvd. Please see our Spadina Loop Reconstruction [Special Construction Notice](#) for more information about this work.

Essential Services Night Work

Overnight work will be required from Tuesday to Friday this week for municipal infrastructure work (catch basins and manholes) on the north side of Queens Quay between the Peter Slip Bridge and Lower Spadina. A temporary water supply shutoff will be required between 10pm and 5am on the following days:

- Tuesday, October 15: 245,250,260, 270 Queens Quay and the Radisson Hotel
- Thursday, October 17: 228, 230 and 250 Queens Quay

These water shutdowns are required for the removal and installation of new fire hydrants. This notice and work has been coordinated and communicated to the property managers, businesses and residents of these properties.

Note!

Night crews will minimize noise by undertaking noisy prep activities (e.g., jackhammering, saw cutting etc.) during the day. Crews will also use walkie-talkies to avoid the need to call to one another across the site. Small localized floodlights will also be employed at the worksite.

250 Queens Quay Laneway/Parking Entrance

The laneway/parking entrance at 250 Queens Quay (just east of the entrance to Rabba Foods) will be temporarily closed next week (from Tuesday through Friday) to accommodate the sanitary line installation which is crossing the driveway. Vehicles will be required to enter and exit via the Rees Street laneway during this closure. This work has been approved by the property management team for 250/260/270 Queens Quay.

Police Bike Patrols

There will be continued activity by Toronto Police over the next few weeks in an effort to reinforce the signage on site which directs cyclists to dismount on sidewalks and to use the detour route whenever appropriate.

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Harbourfront Centre / Lower Simcoe

This week, crews will continue with the drilling of the caisson foundations required for new streetlight and traffic poles at the south west corner of Lower Simcoe and Queens Quay. All work will be performed behind the protection of jersey barriers and fast fence. There will be no impact to pedestrians or vehicular traffic in this area.

York Ramp Area

PLP crews expect to complete the installation of final conduit placements by mid-week. When complete, pole foundations and modifications to the existing curb and traffic lanes for the new design of Queens Quay will begin. Final landscape work including 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

Last week crews completed waterproofing work at the head of the TTC portal. This week crews will begin to construct the walls that will form the new raised planter beds in this area. All work will be performed within the construction zone with no impacts to vehicles or pedestrians.

Queens Quay Granite Sidewalk Installation / Parking Laybys

- *PawsWay/Simcoe WaveDeck*: Last week, crews completed the formation of the new curb, sidewalk, and bedding area adjacent to the east leg of Robertson Crescent. This week, crews will begin to lay the new granite pavers (creating the maple leaf pattern) starting at the Simcoe Wave Deck and proceeding west towards PawsWay.
- *West of the 208 & 218 Queens Quay driveway*: Crews will continue with the construction of tree trenches and the installation of street light foundations in this area. Preparations and construction of the second layby in front of 218 Queens Quay will continue as well. 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 will be maintained at all times.
- *Rees WaveDeck area*: The Toronto Police Marine Unit sign was removed last week and will be positioned on its new concrete base this week. Crews will also begin laying granite pavers across the face of the Harbourfront Sailing & Powerboating building. A secondary temporary pedestrian diversion has been created through this area.

New Streetlight, Traffic and TTC Pole Foundations

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

- *York Ramp Area*: Shoring will be installed to allow for the installation of caissons for new street poles after PLP crews complete their work in this area.
- *North side of Queens Quay (West of Rees Street to the Rees Street Parking Lot)*: Crews will construct the footing required for the relocation of the Rees Street parking lot sign.
- *Southside of Queens Quay (West of Rees Street to the Peter Slip Bridge)*: Crews have completed the drilling, excavation and construction of the new pole foundations in this area.
- *Yo Yo Ma Lane*: Shoring will continue to be placed for the installation of caissons for new streetpoles in this area.

Construction noise should be expected as crews drill and trench with a backhoe to complete this work. A vac-truck may also be used so intermittent construction noise should be expected.

Spadina Loop Reconstruction

With the temporary closure of Lower Spadina (northbound) in place, crews will work on the rebuild of the TTC splicing chamber at the northwest corner of the loop. This work extends into Lower Spadina Avenue. The rebuild of a second existing splicing chamber within the loop (behind the 410 condominium) will continue as well. Crews will also continue to cut and place the conduit pipes on the east side of the 410 Queens Quay property. Construction noise should be expected.

TTC Splicing Chambers

Crews have completed the installation of 90% of the TTC splicing chambers outside of the loop area. Last week, crews completed the installation of the second splicing chamber located just east of Lower Simcoe (on the south side of

Queens Quay). The road surface in this area will be temporarily restored by the end of this week.

Peter Slip Bridge

Crews completed the removal of the scaffolding in this area. On the bridge surface, crews completed the grouting of the rail plates to the bridge deck. These are now curing and being allowed to dry, prior to inspections and final waterproofing. This area continues to have active construction related to Toronto Hydro works.

Storm and Sanitary Construction Activities		What to Expect
<p>Bay to York: Crews continued with the realignment of the sanitary line and have progressed to the mid-point of the driveway entrance of 55/65 Harbour Square. This week crews will clear the driveway area, and continue to track west towards York Street.</p>	➔	<p>When crews cross the driveway, vehicular access will be maintained with some diversions required. Work is coordinated with the condominium property managers. Construction noise should be expected.</p>
<p>Simcoe to Rees: Sanitary installation work has reached 250 Queens Quay. At this point, the sanitary line will transition towards the south side of Queens Quay. A traffic shift will occur to facilitate the work diagonally across Queens Quay in this area. 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. A temporary asphalt layby is also located in this area to accommodate deliveries.</p>
<p>Rees Street Parking Lot to Spadina Avenue: Night work will be required in this area for the installation of new catch basins and manholes.</p>	➔	<p>Night crews will undertake noisy prep activities (e.g., jackhammering, saw cutting etc.) during the day. Two temporary water shutoffs are planned this week (see "Construction News for details).</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 dependent on water levels but work is expected to be complete by mid-Nov.</p>	➔	<p>Work will occur behind the construction fencing already in place.</p>
<p><i>York/Queens Quay:</i> Trenching and duct work at the northeast corner of the York Street area will continue this week. Tentative completion date is Oct. 17. Trenching across the front of Queens Quay Terminal will continue.</p>	➔	<p>Construction will be behind fast fence. The York Slip service lane may be closed with alternative routes provided via the Ann Tindal Park and Simcoe/Harbourfront Centre service lanes.</p>
<p><i>Peter Slip Bridge to Spadina:</i> Crews will continue with trenching activities west of the Peter Slip Bridge and are continuing to move west towards Lower Spadina.</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>401 Queens Quay:</i> Crews have now completed work on the second cable chamber located east of Lower Spadina on the south side of Queens Quay. The temporary restoration of the road is now in progress.</p>	➔	<p>Excavation and construction activities are performed behind jersey barrier and fast fence. Some noise can be expected with these activities.</p>
<p><i>Lower Spadina to YoYo Ma Lane:</i> PLP crews will continue trenching at the intersection of Lower Spadina/Queens Quay. Construction of a cable chamber east of 10 Lower</p>	➔	<p>This work continues behind the protection of jersey barriers and construction zone. Some noise should be expected as crews continue these trenching</p>

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Spadina was completed, and the associated trenching west from this chamber will continue this week.		activities.

NOTE! No Saturday Work

Toronto Hydro (PLP) will have no crews working on Saturday, October 12th. Contact Hydro’s Customer Operations Representative – Andrea Ramnares at aramnares@torontohydro.com or 416.542.3100 ext. 30249 for information.

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.

OTHER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN THE AREA

Note! TTC Subway Closure

TTC has announced that there will be no subway service between St. George Station and Bloor Station from Saturday October 12 through Monday, October 14. For more information, please see the [TTC service advisory](#).

Entera/Hydro Project

Entera Utilities (on behalf of Toronto Hydro) have completed their cable chamber construction work on the west side of Rees St. (north of Queens Quay). Last week, crews demobilized and restored the southbound traffic lanes on Rees Street. For more information, please contact Hydro’s Customer Operations Representative – Andrea Ramnares at aramnares@torontohydro.com or 416.542.3100 ext. 30249.

TTC – Streetcar Platforms

A & F Di Carlo crews, working on behalf of the City's Transportation Services & TTC are continuing with the modification work of four streetcar platforms west of Yo Yo Ma Lane to Bathurst Street. Crews are modifying existing platforms and creating the accessibility requirements to accommodate the new Queens Quay and Spadina streetcars.

LOOK AHEAD: UPCOMING WORK

Eastern/Waterfront Toronto:

- Sanitary sewer work will continue past the 55/65 Harbour Square entrance/exit driveway.
- The rebuild of the Spadina Loop will continue into Lower Spadina Avenue. 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 and adjacent to the Simcoe WaveDeck.
- Construction of sanitary and storm services will continue between Simcoe and Rees.
- Waste receptacles will be installed in front of the Westin Hotel.
- Preparations for the removal of steps at Queens Quay Terminal adjacent the taxi stand will begin.

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

- Construction of two cable chambers west of EMS driveway (339 Queens Quay) will begin this week.

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.