

June 2023

Construction Notice #41: Port Lands Flood Protection & Lake Shore Boulevard East Projects



Construction Manager



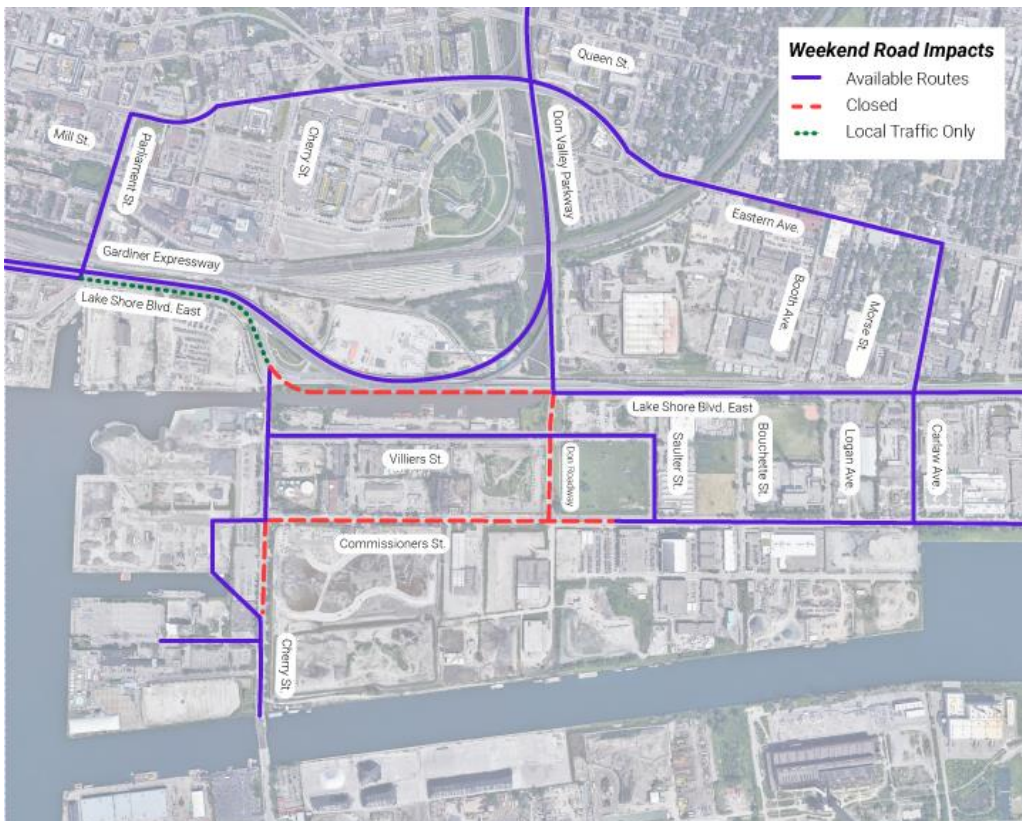
Past construction notices, as well as information about all ongoing construction can be found on the [construction page on the project website \(https://portlandsto.ca/construction/\)](https://portlandsto.ca/construction/).

Traffic Update

Lake Shore Boulevard East Closed between Don Roadway and Parliament Street, weekend of July 8-9*

Starting Saturday, July 8, at 3:00 a.m., until 4:00 a.m. on Monday, July 10, Lake Shore Boulevard East will be closed between Don Roadway and Parliament Street. This closure is necessary to facilitate installation of girders for the new Lake Shore Bridge over the Don River.

*Dates are subject to change



What to expect:

- A detour route will be in place along Parliament Street, Eastern Avenue, and Carlaw Avenue.
- Lake Shore Boulevard westbound will be reduced to a single lane approaching Don Roadway and the ramp to the Don Valley Parkway (DVP). Access to the DVP will be maintained.

- All traffic on Lake Shore Boulevard westbound past Booth Avenue will be routed onto the Don Valley Parkway northbound.
- Southbound traffic coming off the Don Valley Parkway will only be able to go eastbound on Lake Shore Boulevard.
- Lake Shore Boulevard will be limited to local traffic only between Parliament Street and Cherry Street, providing access to the Port Lands via Cherry Street south of Lake Shore Boulevard.

The Bigger Picture

Rebuilding the Lake Shore Bridge is part of both the Port Lands Flood Protection Project and the Gardiner East Project. Lengthening the bridge is a critical element of our design for flood protection. Widening the bridge is necessary to accommodate the expected increase in traffic resulting from the removal of the overhead Gardiner ramps. The wider bridge will also make space for new cycling and pedestrian paths and more landscaping, including a linear park.

Other Traffic Impacts

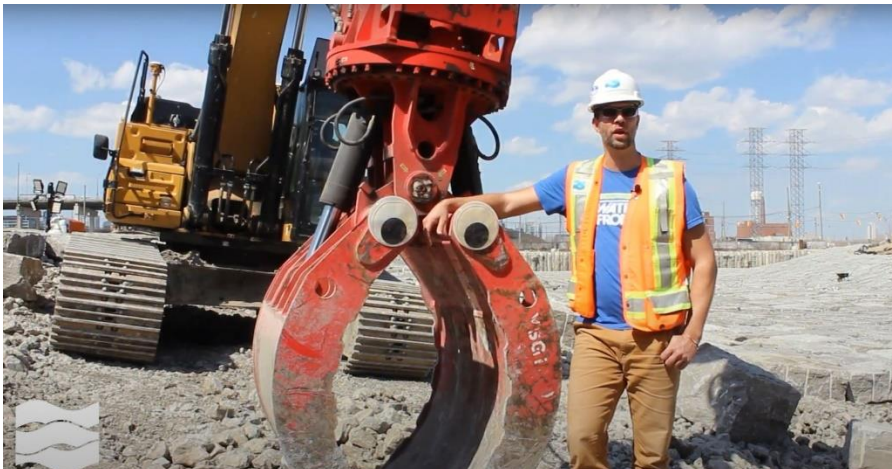
Enbridge is relocating a gas main along Lake Shore Boulevard. This work involves lane closures on Lake Shore Boulevard and restrictions to access to the Don Valley Parkway.

- June 19-21: Lake Shore Boulevard restricted to one lane at Don Roadway
- June 22: Lake Shore Boulevard restricted to one lane at Don Roadway, no access from Don Valley Parkway southbound to Lake Shore Boulevard Eastbound
- June 23-25: Lake Shore Boulevard restricted to one lane at Don Roadway, no access to northbound Don Valley Parkway
- June 26-29: Southbound Don Valley Parkway reduced to a single lane, Lake Shore Blvd restricted to one eastbound lane and two westbound lanes from 5:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and one westbound lane and two eastbound lanes, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

For more information, contact: Nora.Alganabi-Sobon@enbridge.com or Lesley.Hunter@enbridge.com

FAQ: When are you going to flood the new river?

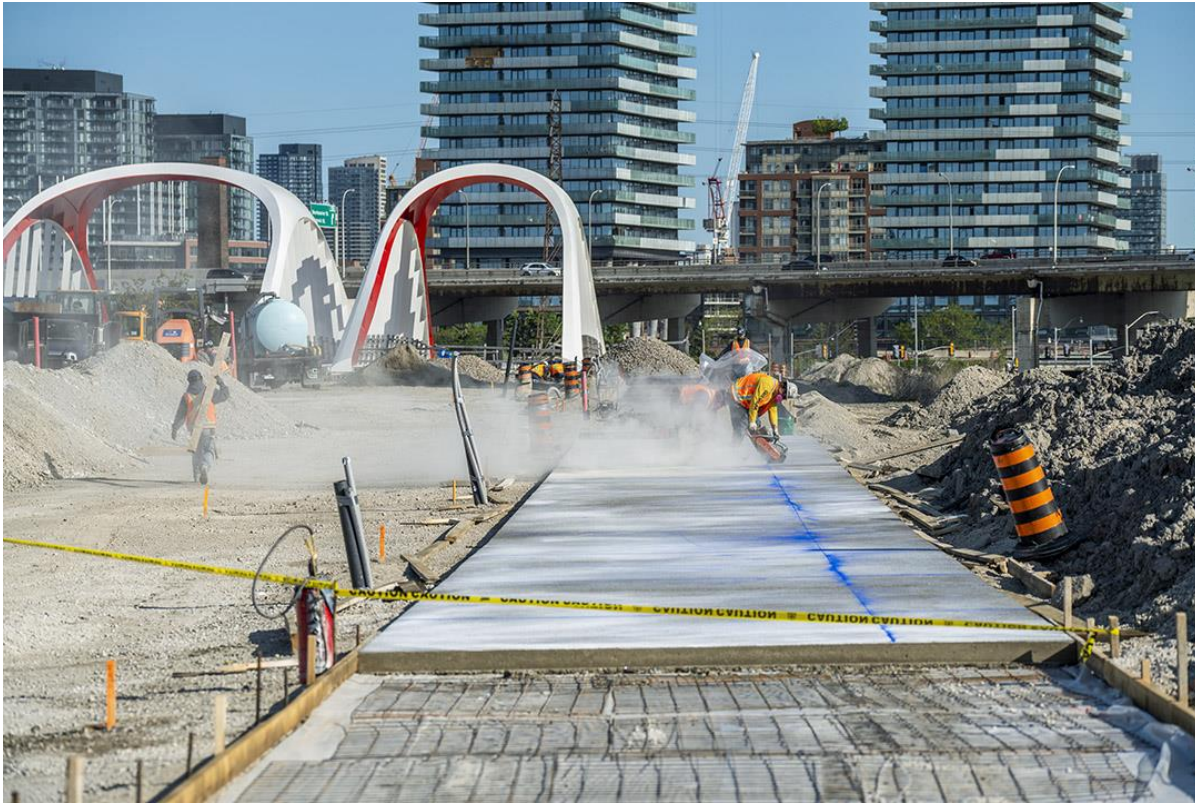
The new river will be flooded very slowly and in stages, starting early next year. Watch this video for how:



(<https://youtu.be/8NPTzN9iRM8>)

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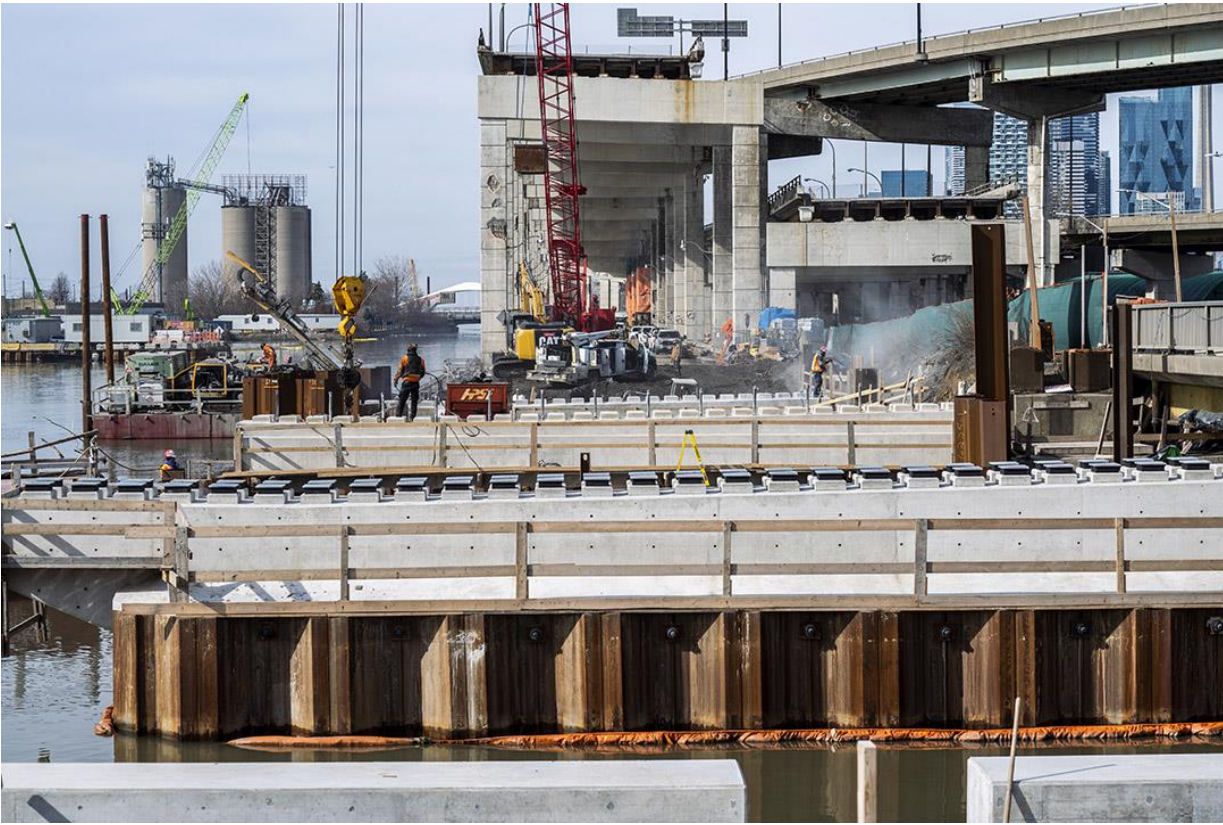
Roads



Above: Installing the sidewalk along the new alignment of Cherry Street. This section of Cherry Street is scheduled to open in the fall.



Above: Paving on Commissioners Street. The rebuilt section of Commissioners Street, between Saulter Street and Cherry Street, is scheduled to reopen in the fall.



Above: The new piers for the Lake Shore Bridge are now complete.

Parks




Above: These large white blocks are geof foam in future River Park North. This lightweight material is placed in the ground above infrastructure like pipes to avoid putting too much weight on them. Then the geof foam is covered with soil.



Above: The tree trunks covered in orange tarp have been installed as habitat for chimney swifts in the Don Greenway. The tarp is there because we aren't quite ready for them to move in yet.

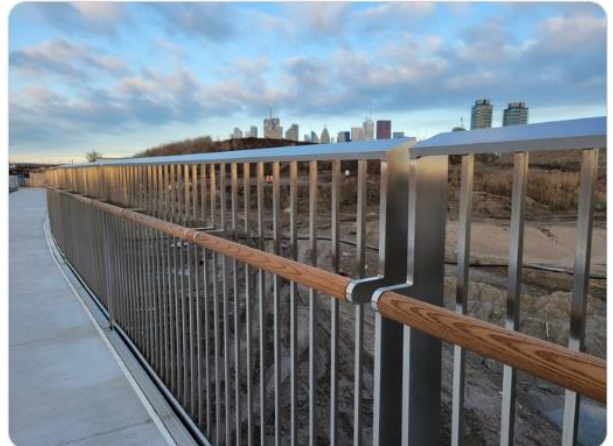


Above: This wetland was planted last year and is growing well in its second year!

 **Rocky @TheRockRipper** · May 30
Before everyone gets excited, we have NOT started flooding the new river. But we did build a berm around the exposed roots of one of the crib walls so that we could cover them with water. Keeping them underwater prevents them from rotting.



 **Rocky @TheRockRipper** · May 26
Getting some gains and admiring these grains! The railing on the Commissioners Street bridge is in, and it is pretty!



Looking for more frequent construction updates? Follow Rocky @TheRockRipper on [twitter](#) or [Instagram](#)!

Questions?

To learn more about this project, please visit the [Port Lands Flood Protection project website \(https://portlandsto.ca/\)](https://portlandsto.ca/).

To send us questions or concerns about construction, use this [online inquiry form \(https://portlandsto.ca/contact-us/\)](https://portlandsto.ca/contact-us/).

You can also email us at plfp@ellisdon.com.

For urgent construction related issues, please contact Cameron Coleman, EllisDon, at 416-594-2198.

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