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Construction Notice #25: Port Lands Flood Protection & Lake Shore Boulevard East

Construction Manager

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Traffic Update

Upcoming Work: Lane Reductions on Lake Shore Boulevard at Cherry Street

To realign Cherry Street, we will begin work at the intersection of Cherry Street and Lake Shore Boulevard East in mid-October.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Starting in mid-October Lake Shore Boulevard East will be reduced to one lane eastbound and one lane westbound at the intersection of Cherry Street
- This work at the Lake Shore Boulevard East and Cherry Street intersection is expected to be completed in January 2022

Construction Update

The Gardiner-Logan ramp removal is now complete. Crews will be working in the median of Lake Shore Boulevard East to finish cleaning up materials and to begin preparing the area for the construction of a temporary lane in the median. This is required to allow for the commencement of the Lake Shore Boulevard East – Bridge and Public Realm work.

Full closures of Lake Shore Boulevard East are no longer required related to the Gardiner-Logan Ramp Removal.



Above: The ramp abutments, where the elevated ramps met Lake Shore Boulevard East, were the last element of the ramps we removed.

Update: Bike Detours

Until November 30, 2021, the bridge over the Don River and the multi-use trail along Lake Shore Boulevard will be open for cyclists and pedestrians while additional work is conducted on the planned detour through the Port Lands and any final suggestions proposed by the cycling community are assessed and implemented.

"Trail Closed" detour signs are being removed to avoid confusion. We have deferred closing the multi-use trail and bridge to allow the project team to develop and implement solutions to any remaining concerns identified by the cycling community.

A further construction update will be issued in advance of the next closures, which would start on December 1st and include:

- Closing the bridge over the Don River
- Closing the multi-use trail between Don Roadway and Booth Avenue
- Closing the Lower Don Trail south of the Don Rail Yard

We continue to receive feedback from the cycling community that is being considered in collaboration with the City of Toronto. We'll continue to provide updates in future construction notices.

Managing Construction Impacts

Throughout construction, we received comments and concerns through email, phone and social media. We also spoke with people on site and in the surrounding neighbourhood. Projects of this scale will create traffic and noise and our job is to minimize those impacts to the extent possible. The main issues you reported to us and how we're working to address them are as follows:

- Congested access to the Jarvis on-ramp to the westbound Gardiner Expressway
 - We are coordinating with City of Toronto staff to ensure that traffic control agents are present and active – controlling vehicle and pedestrian traffic – at the Jarvis Street and Lake Shore Boulevard East intersection and westbound Gardiner on-ramp
- Queueing cars, congestion, and signal timing along Lake Shore Boulevard
 - Signal timing and signal coordination are being reviewed by our traffic consultant to identify potential improvements for both eastbound and westbound traffic

Questions?

To learn more about this project, please visit PortLandsto.ca.

Use this <u>online form</u> to send us questions or concerns about construction or email us at <u>plfp@ellisdon.com</u>.

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

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