

# Important Construction Notice

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## DVP Bridge & Dundas Streetcar Track Construction River Street to Hamilton Avenue

### DVP BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION

Start Date: April 30, 2007\*

Completion Date: October 2007\*

### STREETCAR TRACK RECONSTRUCTION

Hamilton to DVP/DVP to River Street

Start date: May 22, 2007\*

Completion date: June 18, 2007\*

### DVP Bridge

Start date: July 16, 2007\*

Completion date: Week of August 6, 2007\*

\* Timelines are subject to change due to weather conditions and/or any other unforeseen events.

Throughout 2007, the City of Toronto – Transportation Services and the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) will be replacing the streetcar tracks along the 505 Dundas streetcar route between Howard Park Avenue in the west and Broadview Avenue in the east. The track on this route has been identified as a high priority replacement due to rail age and declining structural conditions. The project will proceed in phases and will affect service on the 505 Dundas streetcar route. Bridge reconstruction is also being undertaken during the streetcar track reconstruction at Sorauren Bridge in the West and the DVP Bridge in the East.

### Don Valley Parkway (DVP) Bridge Reconstruction

The DVP Bridge will be fully closed during the duration of bridge reconstruction. The Bridge will be re-opened to vehicle traffic in October 2007. Access for pedestrian crossing will be maintained.

### Track Reconstruction – River Street to Hamilton Avenue

In late-May 2007, concrete saw-cutting work within the track allowance will proceed along Dundas Street between River Street and the DVP Parkway and along Dundas Street between Hamilton Avenue and the DVP Parkway. The existing streetcar track area will be completely excavated so that new streetcar rails can be installed on a new concrete track base.

- Prior to work beginning, the TTC will deliver crates containing track related materials and placing them in areas where track crews will have easy access during the work, i.e. sidewalk areas and some local streets that run off Dundas Street.
- The work zone will consist of the two track lanes and the eastbound curb lane. The work zone will move west as construction progresses.
- Noise and some vibration should be expected during the work.
- Traffic and parking will be affected by the work.
- Signs will be posted to notify pedestrians and vehicles of traffic and parking changes.
- Safety measures such as barrier fences will be in place at the sidewalks and along the excavation.
- Temporary pedestrian walkways will be placed at excavated areas where traffic lights and pedestrian crosswalks exist.
- Pedestrian sidewalk traffic and access to businesses will be maintained during construction.

### Work Hours

Streetcar track reconstruction is a 24-hour operation. All heavy construction work will take place between the hours of 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., Monday to Friday, with weekend work as required. The overnight operation involves TTC rail installation work consisting of delivery of rail, rail installation and rail welding/grinding. This work is required to support the daytime construction. Working 24-hours is a necessity in order to complete the project as quickly as possible. Every effort will be made to minimize construction noise during periods of 24-hour operations.

### Vehicle Restrictions

- The DVP Bridge will be closed.
- Traffic on the west side of the DVP Bridge will be diverted at River Street, however, local access will be maintained for businesses and deliveries. Vehicle access to the DVP North will be diverted north on River Street to Bayview Avenue to the DVP ramps. A signed detour route will be posted.
- On the east side of the DVP Bridge, only one westbound traffic lane will be maintained through the construction zone in order to maintain local traffic and access to the DVP North ramp. The eastbound traffic lane will be closed within the work zone.

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**Parking Restrictions**

No on-street parking will be available within the work zones until track reconstruction is completed. Signs will be posted to notify of temporary parking changes.

**Deliveries**

During construction, deliveries to the front of businesses within the work zone will be difficult. Deliveries need to be made from side streets or be coordinated with the on-site City Inspector.

**Recycling and Garbage Collection**

Recycling and garbage collection schedules on Dundas Street will not change during the construction period. Please follow your normal routine. Place items as close to the usual location as possible, if required the contractor will move the items to an appropriate location and return the bins/containers. Please label your bins/containers with your address.

**Trailers** Three TTC trailers will be parked on Parliament Street north of Dundas Street north curb lane by mid-May for the duration of the track reconstruction work. One construction trailer will be parked on the west side of Carroll Street, south of Dundas.

**Transit Services Changes**

To accommodate the track reconstruction, as well as the work to the DVP Bridge streetcars on the 505 Dundas Route are being re-routed (**see map below**). There will be no bus replacement service provided on Dundas Street. Buses must have room to safely operate and pick up passengers, and this is not possible through the construction zones on Dundas Street.

**505 Dundas Streetcars:** Currently and until further notice, 505 Dundas streetcars are being diverted both ways via: Church St., Carlton St. and College St. and in the east end of the route both ways via: Dundas St., Parliament St., Gerrard St. and Broadview Ave. to the Broadview Station. For up-to-date details on these and other service changes, maps and schedules, see the TTC website: [www.ttc.ca](http://www.ttc.ca) or call the **TTC Information Line: 416.393.INFO (4636)**.

**Contacts**

**TTC related matters during the project:**

Monday to Friday (8:30am-4:30pm)	Diego Sinagoga (Track Construction)	Phone: 416-393-2197
24 hours – (automated 6 p.m. to 8 a.m.)	TTC Service Updates, Routes, Schedules	Phone: 416-393-4636
Monday to Sunday (8am-6pm)	Hearing-Impaired Service	TTY: 416-481-2523
Monday to Friday (8am-5pm)	TTC Customer Services	Phone: 416-393-3030
TTC Website:		<a href="http://www.ttc.ca">www.ttc.ca</a>

**For a Project Overview, Timelines, Commercial Delivery Inquiries and Frequently Asked Questions see:**

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Shiri Pasternak (Project related)	Phone: 416-392-6182
City of Toronto Project e-mail	<a href="mailto:dundastracks@toronto.ca">dundastracks@toronto.ca</a>	
City of Toronto Project Website:	<a href="http://www.toronto.ca/involved">www.toronto.ca/involved</a>	

**Note:** The on-site inspector will be able to address immediate construction related concerns. Please approach a crew member to help you identify the inspector.

**Transit Service Map**

**505 Dundas Streetcar Route Changes – Currently in Effect**

