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## Dufferin Organics Processing Facility Expansion & Commissioning

Collecting and processing Green Bin organic waste to produce a useful product is an important part of the City of Toronto's waste diversion strategy. The Dufferin Organics Processing Facility located at 35 Vanley Crescent opened in 2002 with a capacity to process about 25,000 tonnes of Green Bin organic waste a year. In 2014, the facility closed to undergo an expansion to increase the processing capacity to 55,000 tonnes a year. The expansion work is on track and scheduled to be complete by the end of December 2018.

### Commissioning

Before the facility can resume normal operations to process Green Bin organic waste, it must go through a pre-commissioning and equipment testing process scheduled to start in June and continue through July 2018. As the facility goes through the commissioning phase in August and September, the amount of Green Bin organic waste to be processed will slowly be increased until it reaches full operating levels. This will ensure that all systems, including the odour control and wastewater treatment systems are performing at an optimal level.

### Facility Expansion: Additional Minor Improvements

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) is currently reviewing the addition of a wastewater tank within the facility. It will not require a change in the general scope of the expanded facility design that was already approved by MOECC in 2016. This tank will provide an additional 40 per cent storage capacity, help reduce the overall long-term operation and maintenance costs and add more flexibility to the overall system.

#### Map of Work Area



The capacity of the odour treatment system will also be increased as part of the additional wastewater tank installation. The commissioning of these minor improvements will begin upon receiving MOECC approval.

### Traffic

By the end of August, when the facility has resumed full operations, approximately 11 trucks will be entering and exiting the site each day (similar to past operations 2005 – 2014). Truck traffic should not have a major impact on normal traffic movements.

## ODOUR COMPLAINTS

While the odour treatment system will be operating during the pre-commissioning and equipment test efforts, there is a small chance that some odour emissions may be released. The odour treatment system will be tested and confirmed to be operating fully in conjunction with construction contract specifications and approval conditions, before the facility is permitted to operate at full capacity in accordance with Environmental Compliance Approvals (ECA) Nos. A280709 and 6076-9QZKTY for the Dufferin Waste Management Facility.

Please telephone 311 if you experience an increase in odour.  
City staff will continue to monitor and address all odour complaints.

Complaints are accepted 24 hours a day, 365 days a year through the City's 311 phone number. Complaint details will be logged, a notification will be sent to the District Manager at the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Spills Action Centre, and an internal investigation will be conducted to determine the cause for complaint. This will be followed by a remedial course of action.

## MORE INFORMATION:

If you have questions about the upcoming work, please contact us.

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<b>General inquiries</b>	311
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://toronto.ca/dufferingreen">toronto.ca/dufferingreen</a>
<b>Odour Complaints</b>	311
<b>Ontario Ministry of Environmental and Climate Change</b> Send concerns or objections within 15 days of receipt of this Notice.	D. Gable, P. Eng. Supervisor/Part V Director, Waste Approvals Environmental Approvals Branch Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 1st. Floor Toronto, Ontario, M4V 1P5

Thank you for your patience. Building a great city takes time. Better infrastructure for all of us is worth the wait.