

July 10, 2020

F. G. Gardiner Expressway Strategic Rehabilitation Cherry Street to Lower Jarvis Street Gardiner Expressway Lane Restriction Changes

Contract: 18ECS-TI-01GE Gardiner Expressway Eastbound Closure Expected Start Date: July 27, 2020 Project End Date: Spring 2021 *Please note all dates are subject to change.

The rehabilitation of the north half of the Gardiner Expressway deck from Cherry to Lower Jarvis Streets and the Yonge-Bay-York streets off-ramp has been completed and both sections are expected to re-open to traffic on July 27, 2020.

On July 27, the work zone will shift to the south half of the Gardiner Expressway, which is the final phase of the Gardiner Expressway Strategic Rehabilitation from Cherry to Lower Jarvis streets. During this time, the south half of the Gardiner Expressway between Cherry and Lower Jarvis streets will be fully closed for full replacement of the concrete deck and steel girders.

At 5:00 a.m. on July 27, 2020, both the south half of the Gardiner Expressway and the eastbound Lower Jarvis Street on-ramp will be closed. During this time, there will be two lanes in each direction from York Street to the Don Valley Parkway (DVP) on the Gardiner Expressway.

Anticipated completion of the strategic rehabilitation of the Gardiner Expressway between Cherry and Lower Jarvis Streets is Spring 2021.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19 AND CONSTRUCTION WORK IN TORONTO

As restrictions on construction have been lifted by the Province of Ontario, City-led infrastructure will continue to proceed. During construction, the contractor is responsible for the Health & Safety on site under the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and is expected to implement COVID-19 mitigation practices. For more information on the City's response to COVID-19 please visit **toronto.ca/covid-19**.

SPECIAL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT: JULY 25 TO JULY 27, 2020

Beginning at 12:01 a.m. on July 25, crews will start to transition construction from the north half to the south half of the Gardiner Expressway deck.

At 12:01 a.m. on July 25, 2020, crews will close the Gardiner Expressway to westbound traffic between the DVP and Lower Jarvis Street for up to 24 hours. Motorists can expect the following during this time:

- The southbound DVP on-ramp to the Gardiner Expressway will be closed to traffic; and,
- The westbound Lake Shore Boulevard East on-ramp to the Gardiner Expressway will be closed to traffic.

During this time, the traffic traveling southbound along the DVP will have to exit at Richmond Street or Lake Shore Boulevard East and the first opportunity for traffic to enter the westbound Gardiner Expressway will be the westbound Lower Jarvis Street on-ramp.

Following the reopening of the Gardiner Expressway to westbound traffic at 5:00 a.m. on July 27, 2020, crews will close the Gardiner Expressway to eastbound traffic between Lower Jarvis Street and the DVP. Motorists can expect the following during this time:

- The eastbound Bay Street on-ramp to the Gardiner Expressway will be closed to traffic; and,
- The eastbound Rees Street on-ramp to the Gardiner Expressway will be closed to traffic.

During this time, traffic traveling east along the Gardiner Expressway will have to exit at the eastbound Lower Jarvis Street off-ramp exit to Lake Shore Boulevard East. The first opportunity for traffic to enter the DVP will be from the Don Roadway. Vehicles traveling eastbound along Lake Shore Boulevard East can access the Don Roadway through Cherry Street and Villiers Street or Commissioners Street. Left turns onto Don Roadway from Lakeshore Boulevard East are restricted.

WORK DETAILS: JULY 27 TO SPRING 2021

The south half of the Gardiner Expressway will be fully closed to traffic between Cherry and Lower Jarvis streets to allow crews to replace the concrete deck and steel girders.

Due to the current COVID-19 situation, the City has permitted extended lane closures on Lake Shore Boulevard East to help facilitate the ongoing rehabilitation work to the Gardiner Expressway between Cherry and Lower Jarvis Streets. During this time, Lake Shore Boulevard East westbound and eastbound lanes will be reduced to one lane from Parliament to Lower Jarvis Streets during the following times:

• Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.;

- Friday to Sunday from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.
- Sunday to Thursday from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.; and,

Dates and times are subject to change and residents are encouraged to check the project website for further details on exact closure dates, or sign up for updates at: toronto.ca/jarvistocherry.

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SUGGESTED DETOUR ROUTES



WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

The City will make efforts to reduce construction related impacts as best as possible, however, you may experience dust, noise and traffic delays during construction. Your patience is greatly appreciated.

Work Hours: Work on the Gardiner Expressway continues to occur around the clock.

If you have any concerns with construction (e.g. noise, lights), please let us know by contacting 311 or the Project team at <u>gardinerrehab@toronto.ca</u> or 416-338-2930. Please provide us with a description of the disturbance, your location, and the date and time of the disturbance.

When sections of the Gardiner Expressway are removed, slurry water (a grey watery by-product of cutting concrete) may fall from the expressway onto Lake Shore Boulevard East.



Lane closures are implemented to address this issue and efforts are being made to reduce the slurry build up on the deck before removals to minimize the impact of slurry to Lake Shore Boulevard East. Motorists and pedestrians in the vicinity/travelling on Lake Shore Boulevard East are asked to please be aware of falling slurry and obey traffic movements, signs and signals.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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

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Field Ambassador	Katherine Kung, 416-338-2930, gardinerrehab@toronto.ca
General City of Toronto Inquiries	311
TTY Hearing Impaired Service	416-338-0889 (7 Days a week, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed holidays)
Website	Toronto.ca/jarvistocherry
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Sign up to receive construction updates:

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