

August 8, 2023

Basement Flooding Protection Program Sanitary and Storm Sewer Upgrades on Old Mill Drive and Catherine Street

Contract: 20ECS-LU-01FP

Start Date: September 2021 New End Date: December 2023

**Timeline is subject to change.*

This notice provides an update on the anticipated end date of the City of Toronto's Basement Flooding Protection Program project to modify and upgrade the storm and sanitary sewer system in your area in order to reduce surface and basement flooding. This project is now anticipated to be completed by December 2023.

The change in schedule is necessary as some of the remaining work now needs to happen sequentially rather than simultaneously. This adjustment will ensure a smoother construction process and aligns with crew availability. Given the complexity of the project, mainly occurring underground in confined spaces with variable conditions, the current schedule represents our best estimate based on known and observable factors. However, due to variable underground conditions, weather, and other potential unforeseen circumstances, the schedule is subject to change. Should any further schedule changes occur, they will be promptly communicated to the community.

Workers have now completed the ground improvement work. The micro-tunnelling boring machine (MTBM) removal is scheduled to start in August and is anticipated to take approximately eight weeks to complete. Once the machine is out of the ground, the Basement Flooding Protection Program work can proceed, with the completion of the storm sewer installation on Old Mill Drive to alleviate the flooding of basements. There continues to be no structural risk to the surrounding infrastructure, buildings or roadway and the team will continue to ensure the safety of the community.

The remaining work includes:

- Remove MTBM: End of September / 8 Weeks to Complete
- Construction of maintenance hole and reception shaft filling (Intersection of Old Mill Drive and Bloor Street West): Middle of October / 2 Weeks to Complete
- Maintenance hole connection and launch shaft filling (Intersection of Riverside Drive and Old Mill Drive): End of October / 2 Weeks to Complete
- Local storm sewer work within the MTBM limits: Middle of November / 2 Weeks to Complete
- Maintenance hole installation (On Old Mill Drive), sanitary sewer reinstatement and Etienne Brule park decommissioning works: End of November / 2 Weeks to Complete
- Hard Scape and Soft Scape restoration works: End of December / 6 Weeks to Complete

Due to adverse weather conditions, certain restoration work may extend into Spring of 2024.

We apologize for the inconveniences this has caused and appreciate your patience as we complete this important work.

MAP OF WORK AREA



	<p>Work Hours: Work will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required.</p>
	<p>Traffic Management: Road users should expect delays and increased traffic on nearby main and side streets. Motorists are reminded that bicycles and cars will be sharing the lane. When driving, please be mindful of vulnerable road users. Efforts have been made to manage traffic in the area for the safety of workers, road users and residents.</p> <p>There are lane reductions and temporary closures on Old Mill Drive and Catherine Street.</p>
	<p>Road and Sidewalk Access: In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the construction work zone. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p> <p>Driveway Access: The contractor will notify you of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access. If your property has two entrances, one entrance will be kept open at all times.</p>
	<p>Pedestrians: The work may require temporary sidewalk restrictions, however any necessary sidewalk closures will alternate in each direction to ensure pedestrian access is maintained during construction.</p>
	<p>Parking: This project will affect on-street parking. Parking in the active work zone is not permitted as space is needed for construction equipment and materials. If your parked vehicle affects construction work, it will be relocated with no charge to the owner. Please call 416-808-2222 for its location.</p>
	<p>Accessible Accommodation: The City's contractor must ensure safe and accessible walkways and entryways are maintained for everyone during construction. Any temporary access disruptions will be communicated as soon as possible. If you experience a disruption, have a specific access need or related accommodation request, inform the contact listed below.</p>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about this construction project, please contact staff listed below. If you need to speak with staff on the construction site – please ask for the site inspector.

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Field Ambassador	Aleesha Harris, 416-338-5497, BFPP@toronto.ca
TTY Hearing Impaired Service	416-338-0889 (Daily 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed holidays)
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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