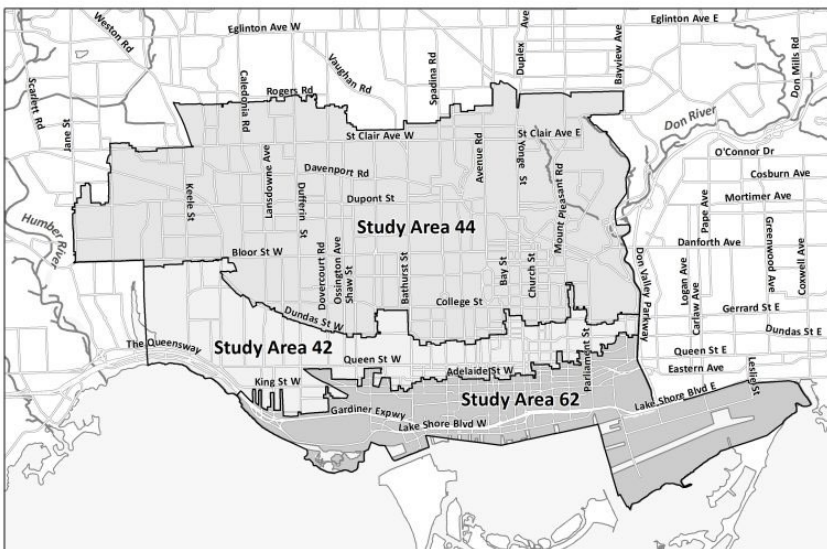


# Basement Flooding Study Areas 42, 44, 62 - Downtown

## Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Notice of Study Completion

The City of Toronto has completed a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) study that examines surface and basement flooding within Study Areas 42, 44 and 62, and identifies improvements that can be made to City infrastructure to reduce the risk of future flooding. The study area is located downtown from St. Clair Avenue West to Lake Ontario and Jane Street to the Don Valley Parkway and has experienced basement and surface flooding during severe rainstorms in the past.



The study followed the Master Planning Approach #2 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment and satisfies the requirements for the Schedule B projects that include two new relief sewers – Garrison and Cabbagetown to provide additional capacity to relieve the existing overburdened sewers.

The study also recommends two new outfalls for the Garrison and Cabbagetown relief sewers, which will require completion of further phases in the Class EA process and are not subject to this notice.

Additional measures that are recommended are pre-approved and the City can move forward with implementation. They include:

### Sewer Inflow Reduction to Eliminate Sewer Overloading

- Catchbasin inlet controls to reduce the rate at which surface water enters the sewer system
- Watertight manhole lids on sewers to reduce leakage of rainwater into sewer pipes

### More Conveyance Capacity

- New storm sewers and catchbasins on local roads
- Replacing existing sewers with larger pipes that have more capacity, including the Sunnyside relief sewer

### Storage Facilities

- Underground tanks or in-line storage pipes to store excess storm water during extreme rainfall events

### Opportunities for review

A Master Plan Study report has been placed on public record for a **30-day review period starting November 8 to December 8, 2024.**

It is available for review at [www.toronto.ca/downtownbf](http://www.toronto.ca/downtownbf). Interested persons may provide written comments to our project team by **December 8, 2024.** All comments and concerns should be sent directly to:



**Kelly Rahardja**  
Senior Public Consultation Coordinator  
55 John Street, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor Metro Hall  
Toronto ON M5V 3C6



Tel: 416-397-5559

Email: [floodingstudy@toronto.ca](mailto:floodingstudy@toronto.ca)

In addition, a request to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for an order imposing additional conditions or requiring an individual environmental assessment may be made on the grounds that the requested order may prevent, mitigate, or remedy adverse impacts on constitutionally protected Aboriginal and treaty rights.

Requests should specify what kind of order is being requested (additional conditions or an individual environmental assessment), explain how an order may prevent, mitigate, or remedy potential adverse impacts, and any supporting information.

The request should be sent in writing or by email to:

**Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks**  
**Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks**  
777 Bay Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Toronto ON M7A 2J3  
[minister.mecp@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mecp@ontario.ca)

**AND**

**Director, Environmental Assessment Branch**  
**Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks**  
135 St. Clair Ave. W, 1st Fl. Toronto, ON M4V 1P5  
[EABDirector@ontario.ca](mailto:EABDirector@ontario.ca)

Requests should also be copied to the City of Toronto. For more information on requests for orders under Section 16 of the Environmental Assessment Act visit: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/class-environmental-assessments-section-16-order>

All personal information included in your request – such as name, address, telephone number and property location – is collected, under the authority of Section 30 of the *Environmental Assessment Act* and is collected and maintained for the purpose of creating a record that is available to the general public. As this information is collected for the purpose of a public record, the protection of personal information provided in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FIPPA) does not apply (s.37). Personal information you submit will become part of the public record that is available to the general public unless you request that your personal information remain confidential.

Issue Date: November 8, 2024