

July 17, 2025

Mattamy Rouge Stormwater Management Pond Sediment Removal and Maintenance

Start Date: July 2025

Expected Completion Date: Winter 2025

**Timeline is subject to change. Future notice to be provided.*

The Mattamy Rouge Stormwater Management Pond (SWMP) is a facility located outside of Rouge National Urban Park, north of Sheppard Avenue East and Rouge River Drive that collects stormwater runoff to reduce localized flooding. It also allows sediment runoff to settle at the bottom of the pond, which enhances ecological conditions and improves water quality prior to entering the local waterways.

To help ensure the pond is working as originally designed, the City of Toronto will be working with Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) to remove sediment and conduct maintenance of the pond, beginning in July. **A map of the work area can be found below.**

MAP OF WORK AREA







WORK DETAILS

The clean out and maintenance of the pond will involve:

- Pruning and removing some vegetation around the pond to create a temporary access point.
- Staff will create a platform made of gravel that will extend into the pond, as well as an area to stockpile and dry the sediment when it is removed from the pond.
- Dredging the sediment and loading it into dump trucks for reuse or disposal.
- Inspecting and making repairs to the pond, as needed.
- Restoring vegetation around the pond.

Increased trucking activity is expected on Rouge River Drive for the duration of the project. For safety purposes, pedestrian access to the pond will be restricted while this work is being done.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

	Work Hours: Work will be completed in accordance with the City's Noise By-law between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, with occasional work after hours and on weekends if required. The public will be notified of any changes to hours.
	Pedestrian and Road Access: To complete the work safely, there will be some restricted pedestrian access to the pond, however, access to walkways outside the construction site will remain open. Temporary fencing and signs will be set up in and around the construction site. There will be increased truck traffic on Rouge River Drive when sediment is being trucked away for disposal.
	Tree Removal and Restoration: The TRCA will need to prune and remove some existing vegetation around the Mattamy Rouge SWMP to access the work site. Once the clean out and maintenance is complete, staff will work with the City's Parks and Recreation division to restore vegetation with site-appropriate landscaping.
	Wildlife: Water in the pond will be lowered gradually to allow wildlife to relocate on their own. Any wildlife that does remain will be carefully collected and relocated by TRCA staff who are licensed by the Ministry of Natural Resources.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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

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