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Rockcliffe Flood Mitigation Project

Phase 1: Jane Street Bridge and Scarlett Road Bridge Widening over Black Creek

Planned Tree Removal

Start Date: February 2026 End Date: March 2026

**Timeline is subject to change.*

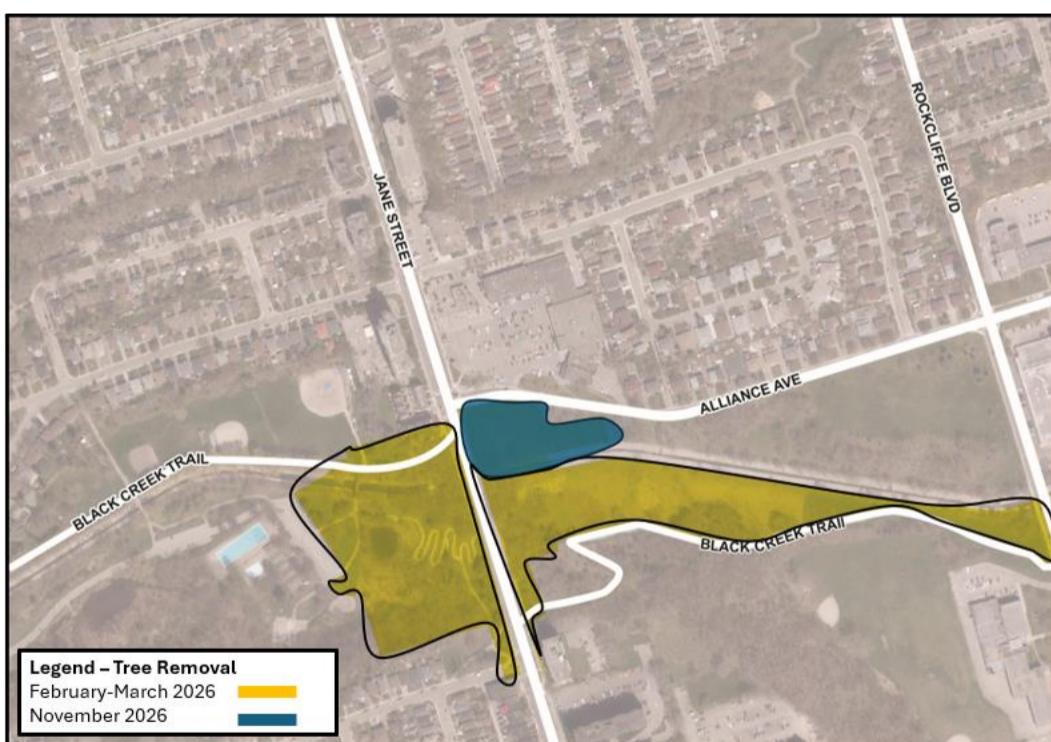
The City of Toronto is moving forward with construction plans for Phase 1 of the Rockcliffe Flood Mitigation Project. Phase 1 includes the replacement of the Jane Street Bridge and Scarlett Road Bridge and widening portions of the Black Creek channel to increase the volume of water that can flow under the bridges.

Starting in mid-February 2026, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) and the City will begin tree removal activities in the area of Jane Street and Alliance Avenue adjacent to Smythe Park and Black Creek East Park. Tree removal is required to prepare for relocation of underground utilities, such as water pipes, sewers and cables. The utility relocation work is needed now to ensure that future construction can proceed safely. Tree removal work is expected to take two months.

The Jane Street and Scarlett Road bridge replacement and channel widening work is not anticipated to begin until after the underground utility relocation work is completed. More information will be provided through future notices and public meetings.

The City has made efforts to minimize the number of trees that will be impacted by construction. Tree removals related to construction are reviewed by the City's Ravine and Natural Feature Protection and Urban Forestry departments and require approval and permitting. Trees within the construction zone that will not be removed will be protected. Tree replacement planting and restoration of affected natural areas will be completed as part of later project phases.

MAP OF TREE REMOVAL AREA



The Rockcliffe Flood Mitigation project is funded in part by the Government of Canada through the Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund.

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WORK DETAILS

The City's contractor will:

- Install temporary fencing, barriers; signage will be installed around the active work zone.
- Remove selected trees and vegetation using specialized equipment.
- Chip, load and haul wood and debris off site.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- You may experience dust, noise and other inconveniences. The City will make efforts to reduce the impacts. We appreciate your patience.
- The City will not be responsible for damage to any privately owned items on City property.

	Work Hours: Tree removal work will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday, with work after hours and on weekends as required.
	Road and Sidewalk Access: In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the work zone. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.
	Parks and Trails: Due to the nature of this work, and to ensure public safety, areas of Smythe Park and Black Creek Trail will be fenced off and closed to the public from February to March 2026. Signs will be posted. All areas of the park and trail affected by construction will be restored at the end of the project.
	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. Traffic on Jane Street will be reduced to one lane in each direction intermittently.
	Restoration: Tree replanting will begin in accordance with City replacement policies once all construction activities on Jane Street are completed.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions about this construction project, please contact staff listed below.

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