

April 1, 2026

Transmission Watermain Replacement on Rowanwood Avenue from Yonge Street to Wrentham Place

Contract: 23ECS-LU-04TT

Start Date: February 3, 2025 Expected End Date: August 2026

NEW End Date: November 2027

**Timeline is subject to change.*

In February 2025, the City started work to replace the 100-year-old transmission watermain along Rowanwood Avenue, Thornwood Road, Chestnut Park and Roxborough Street. Replacement of the transmission watermain is needed to maintain a reliable supply of water to the area and to meet future water supply demands.

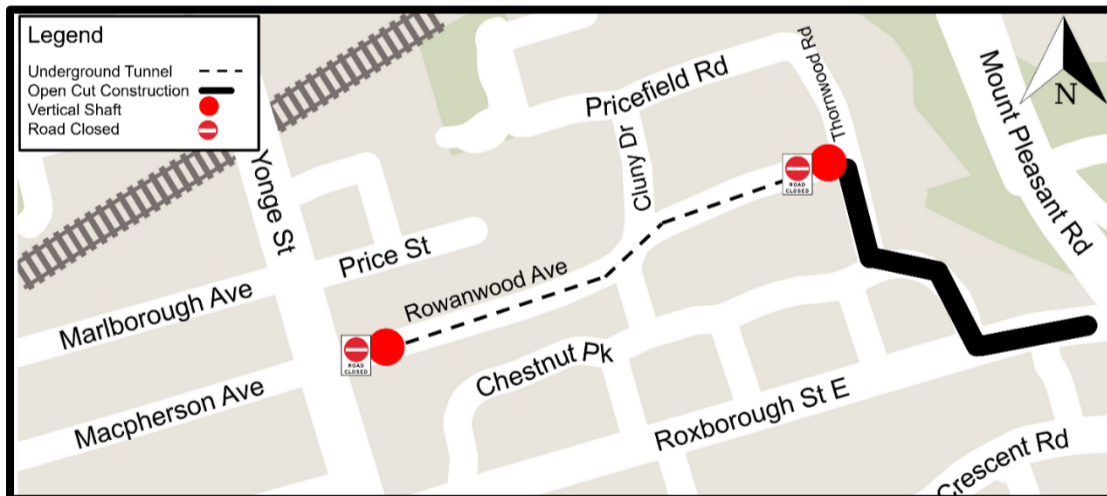
In May 2025, work on the Macpherson Avenue reception shaft was paused due to unexpected underground conflicts that would have significantly expanded the work zone.

Following an extensive review of options, a new location for the reception shaft has been selected. The new shaft will be located five meters east of the Yonge Street and Rowanwood Avenue intersection.

Construction is expected to resume in mid-April. A full closure of Rowanwood Avenue, east of Yonge Street, is required to carry out utility relocation work, shaft construction, tunneling and watermain construction at this location. Access to Rowanwood Avenue and streets to the north will be maintained via Roxborough Street East and Chestnut Park.



City staff are working closely with Councillor Dianne Saxe’s office to take all practical steps to minimize community impacts from this urgent and necessary infrastructure upgrade work, including noise mitigation, alternative parking arrangements and accelerated work schedules.

MAP OF WORK AREA



LEARN MORE

The City invites you to attend a virtual Public Information Meeting to learn more about the work.

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Join by computer, smartphone or tablet</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, April 9, 2026 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Visit the webpage and register: toronto.ca/rowanwood</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Join by phone (audio only)</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">Dial: 416-915-6530 Access Code: 2337 817 9314 Attendee ID: 76926966</p> |
| <p>If you require disability-related accommodation to participate, please contact us one week before the meeting.</p> | |

WORK DETAILS

Work on this project will be phased by location. Timelines are subject to change.

| Dates and location | Work | Traffic Restrictions |
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| Rowanwood Avenue and Yonge Street April 2026 to June 2026 | Site preparation work, equipment mobilization, utility relocation and watermain bypass. | Road closure on Rowanwood Avenue, east of Yonge Street |
| Thornwood Road and Rowanwood Avenue May 2026 to May 2027 | Shaft construction and tunnelling | Road closure of Rowanwood Avenue and Thornwood Road intersection. Single lane open for north and south travel on Thornwood Road at Rowanwood Avenue. |
| Rowanwood Avenue and Yonge Street July 2026 to April 2027 | Shaft construction and tunnelling | Road closure of Rowanwood Avenue, east of Yonge Street |
| Thornwood Road to Wrentham Place June 2027 to October 2027 | Open cut watermain replacement | Rolling road closures will take place block by block. As each section is finished, the roadway will be reopened. |
| Rowanwood Avenue from Yonge Street to Wrentham Place October 2027 to November 2027 | Final restoration | |

This project will affect on-street parking. Starting in late May 2026, to accommodate large construction vehicles, no on-street parking will be permitted on Rowanwood Avenue, Cluny Drive, Pricefield Road and Thornwood Road from Monday 12:00 a.m. to Friday, 7:00 p.m. Alternative parking arrangements will be made for residents with City-issued parking permits on Rowanwood Avenue and Pricefield Road.

More details of the phasing will be included in future Construction Update Notices.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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

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