



METROLINX

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Notice of Commencement

Transit Project Assessment Process

Davenport Diamond Grade Separation

Metrolinx, an agency of the Province of Ontario, is working to transform the way the region moves by building a fast, convenient and integrated transit network across the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA). Part of this plan is to bring frequent and reliable service to communities along the Barrie rail corridor.

The Project

Metrolinx is moving forward with Regional Express Rail (RER), a program that will provide significant new travel choices on the GO Transit network across the region. Current plans for this rail line include electrified, all-day, two-way service every 15 minutes to Aurora GO Station as well as peak, midday, evening and weekend GO train service to Allandale Waterfront GO Station. The service increase will be phased in over 10 years while Metrolinx builds additional infrastructure.

To support this service increase, Metrolinx is planning to build an elevated rail corridor that follows the current GO Transit route between Bloor Street West and Davenport Road. The Davenport Diamond Grade Separation project is intended to eliminate the 'Davenport Diamond', one of the busiest train intersections in North America, where CP Rail freight trains and GO Transit passenger trains cross at a ground-level rail crossing.

The Process

Metrolinx is assessing the environmental impacts of building this new infrastructure according to the Transit Project Assessment Process (TPAP) as prescribed in *Ontario Regulation 231/08, Transit Projects and Metrolinx Undertakings*. As part of the TPAP, an Environmental Project Report (EPR) will be filed documenting any potential environmental effects and mitigation requirements of the Project. Viewing locations for the agency and public review of the EPR will be published in the Notice of Completion.

All information produced as part of this project is available at, www.metrolinx.com/RERDavenport.

Consultation

We thank everyone for their feedback to date during our pre-engagement. As we launch the Notice of Commencement and formal six-month TPAP process, we continue to encourage our neighbours, agencies and other interested persons to actively participate in the TPAP by attending future meetings or by contacting staff directly with information, comments or questions. Your participation is an important part of this process and we welcome your input.

If you have project-related questions or would like to be added to the project's mailing list, please contact:

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Pour plus de renseignements, veuillez composer le (416) 869-3200 or le 1 888 GET ON GO (438-6646).

Metrolinx is working to provide residents and businesses in the GTHA with a transportation system that is modern, efficient and integrated. Find out more about Metrolinx's Regional Transportation Plan for the GTHA as well as GO Transit, PRESTO, and Union Pearson Express, divisions of Metrolinx, at www.metrolinx.com.

