

October 12, 2023

Emergency Bridge Repairs Dufferin Street Bridge over Metrolinx Rail Corridor

Construction Start: October 2023

Expected End: December 2023 / Winter 2024*

**Timeline is subject to change.*

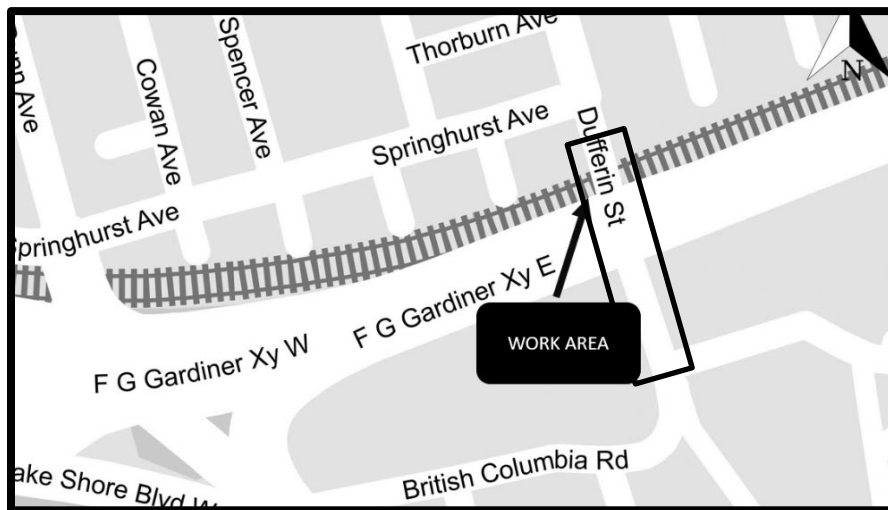
This notice provides an update regarding the emergency work on the Dufferin Street Bridge over the Metrolinx Rail corridor. The emergency repair design has been completed and construction materials ordered. Crews are beginning to mobilize. Work to remove and replace the bridge deck panels is anticipated to start as early as October 21, 2023.

Construction is expected to be completed by December 2023 but is dependent on a number of factors, including permit approval to work over the rail corridor and weather.

Both the northbound and southbound lanes of the bridge will remain closed until repairs are made. The pedestrian bridge on the east side of Dufferin Street will remain open throughout the majority of the work, however, intermittent closures may be necessary during construction and will be managed by a flag person.

Thank you for your patience while we carry out this emergency work.


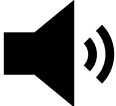

MAP OF WORK AREA



WORK DETAILS

In order to complete the emergency repair work, crews will:

- Prepare the bridge for work by temporarily removing lighting and other infrastructure.
- Remove and dispose of compromised deck panels and parts.
- Install new panels in place of the damaged ones.
- Restore the construction-impacted zones to make Dufferin Street Bridge accessible again to the public.

	<p>Work Hours: Much of the work on the bridge can only take place when trains are not running on the rail corridor below. Some of the deck replacement work will start as early as 10 p.m. on some days, however, the majority of work will take place overnight, between 1 a.m. and 5 a.m. Activities such as prep work, testing and clean-up will take place throughout the day.</p>
	<p>Noise: The contractor will make every effort to minimize noise, however, residents should expect dust and noise associated with the panel removals and placement such as grinding and drilling of metal parts, among other usual construction noises including the use of a variety of construction equipment and trucks backing up. The City will be monitoring noise and will make efforts to reduce impacts. We appreciate your patience.</p> <p>Please be advised that this work is exempt from the City’s Noise Bylaw.</p>
	<p>Road closures and pedestrian access: Efforts have been made to manage traffic in the area. Motorists are reminded to abide by the posted traffic/construction signs to ensure the safety of workers and the safe travel of all road users, including motorized vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists.</p> <p>Both the southbound and northbound lanes of the Dufferin Street bridge over the rail corridor will remain closed throughout construction. The pedestrian bridge on the east side of Dufferin Street will remain open throughout the majority of the work, however, intermittent closures may be necessary during construction and will be managed by a flag person.</p>

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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

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Website	toronto.ca/DufferinBridges

Thank you for your patience. Building a great city takes time. Better infrastructure for all of us is worth the wait.