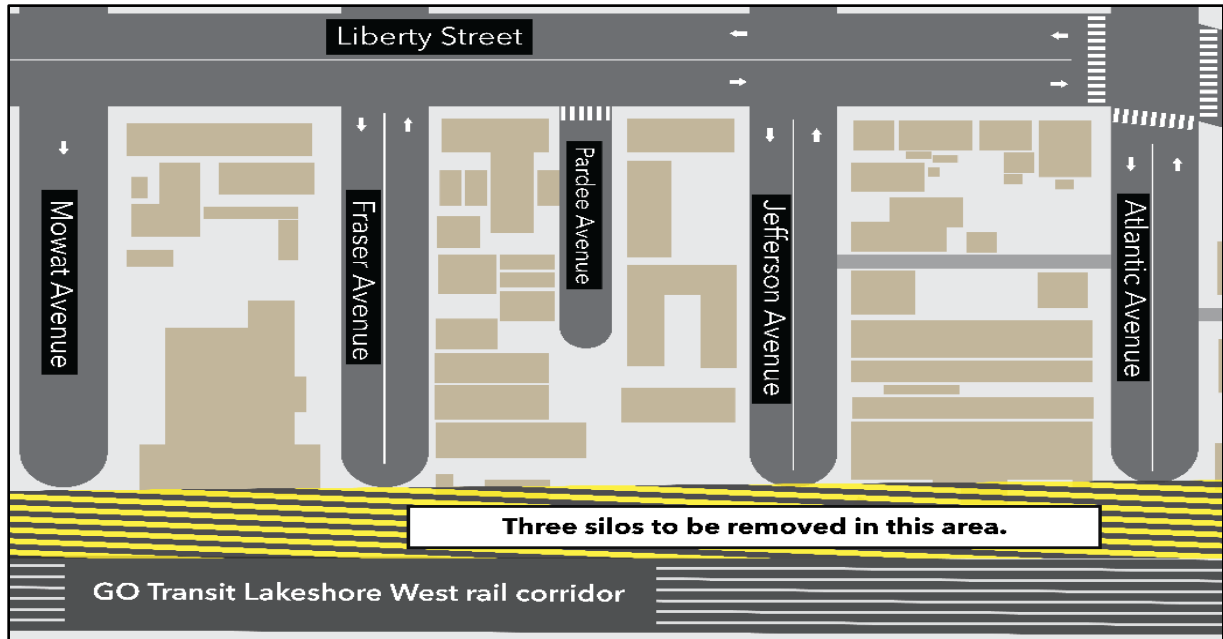


# Silo Removal at Exhibition Site

**Expected Work Schedule:** As early as March 14, to March 28, 2025

**Hours of work:** Monday to Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

## Map of work zone:



## What is happening?

- Three decorative silos located within the Exhibition construction site must be disassembled and removed to allow construction activities for the future station site to proceed.
- Due to the age and poor condition of the silos, they cannot be salvaged for relocation.
- Silo removal will take place over several weeks on weekdays (Monday to Friday) between 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.
- Two of the silos are location within the construction area for the future Ontario Line and GO Transit station. These are obstructing the future construction haul routes and site logistics.
- One of the silos sits within the Ontario Line construction footprint, where the new main station entrance will be built.

## What to expect

- Noise from equipment, including cranes and trucks, during the disassembly and removal of silos from the site.
- Work may be postponed or rescheduled due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Metrolinx will collaborate with the Liberty Village BIA, City of Toronto, and the local community to explore ways to commemorate the silos and their historical significance in the area.
- For information about upcoming station work, please visit [metrolinx.com/ontarioline](https://www.metrolinx.com/ontarioline) or sign up for our e-newsletter.



Silos to be removed at Fraser Ave (first image), Jefferson and Atlantic Ave (second image), and South Liberty Trail (third image).

## About the Silos

- The silos were previously used by the industrial operations that were once the hub of activity in what has now become Liberty Village. They are remnants of a Canada Bread factory which operated from 1959-2011.
- The factory was decommissioned in 2012 and converted to commercial space by York Heritage Properties, which still operates today and is known as The Bakery.
- In the fall of 2017 as the neighbourhood was redeveloped, the previous owner of the lands, York Heritage Properties, partnered with the City of Toronto's StreetARToronto partnership program and Mural Routes to re-animate six abandoned silos.
- Three of the six silos in Liberty Village will be left untouched by Metrolinx.
- Efforts were made to explore new locations for the three silos, however no viable sites were found. In October 2024, Metrolinx commissioned a third-party assessment, which identified significant structural concerns making it difficult to safely relocate or repurpose the silos elsewhere in the area.
- Metrolinx followed heritage requirements when it was determined that the silos would be impacted by construction. A documentation and salvage report were completed. A commemorative strategy for the impacted heritage properties near the station is in development as part of the heritage mitigation measures.
- Metrolinx has documented and photographed the silos for future use and has contacted the three artists directly to inform them of the silo removals.
- Metrolinx will collaborate with the Liberty Village BIA, City of Toronto, and the local community to explore ways to commemorate the silos and their historical significance in the area.
- The silos have prevented work crews from completing certain construction activities at the future Exhibition station sit. To avoid delaying project timelines, the silos must now be removed.

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