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## REimagining Yonge Street (Sheppard Avenue to Finch Avenue)



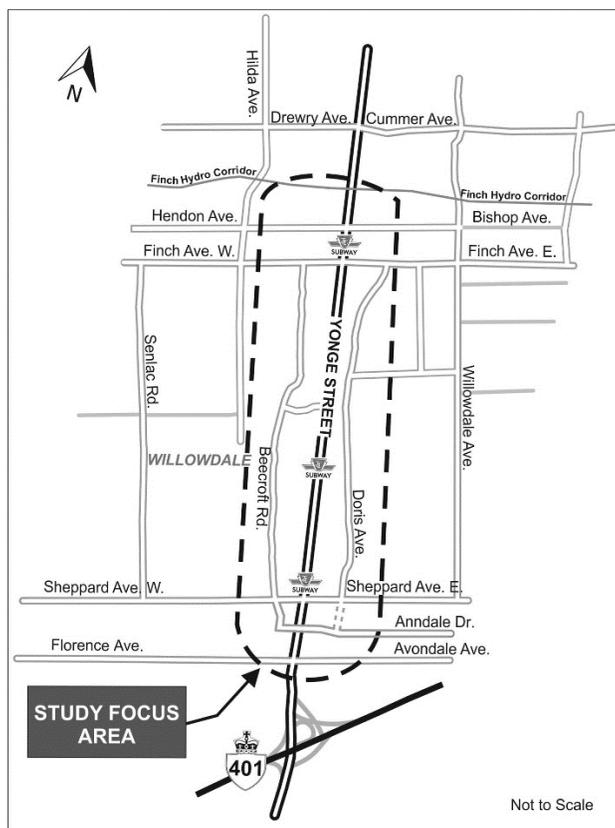
### Geotechnical Investigations on Yonge Street

**Expected Start Date: Early-September 2016**  
**Expected End Date: Mid-October 2016**  
*\*Timeline is subject to change.*

Yonge Street is the central transportation corridor and pedestrian promenade within North York Centre, one of four centres in the City focused on transit-based employment and residential growth. Inconsistent urban features, from sidewalks, crossings, and medians, to the lack of dedicated cycling facilities present challenges. The City of Toronto is carrying out an Environmental Assessment Study that will evaluate opportunities to improve the streetscape and public realm along Yonge Street from Sheppard Avenue to Finch Avenue.

As part of our Environmental Assessment Study, on-site investigations will be completed. We will be taking samples of asphalt, soil and underground conditions in the work area. Sampling is needed to confirm the conditions below ground and is used for engineering design. **The operation will take approximately six weeks to complete, and it will occur sometime between early-September and mid-October.**

#### MAP OF WORK AREA



## WORK DETAILS

- Drilling rigs will be set up at various locations along Yonge Street between the Finch Hydro Corridor and Florence Avenue / Avondale Avenue to take soil, asphalt and groundwater samples along the street on City property.
- Boreholes will be drilled into the ground to collect soil, asphalt and water samples from both the surface of the road and below the surface.
- As drilling is completed, monitoring wells will be placed at some locations into the ground through a borehole (10 monitoring wells).
- The monitoring well will sit about 1.2 meters (4 feet) above ground, if feasible.
- These wells will have padlocks on them as a safety measure and to provide access for ongoing ground water measurements, as they will remain in place through the detailed design phase of the project.
- In the case where a borehole is located in an area where there is traffic, the pipe will be placed flush at ground level.
- Survey crews will also be in place to determine the exact location of surface and underground infrastructure.
- Unloading and loading equipment, as well as drilling and surveying within the roadway, may result in temporary disruption to local traffic.

## 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.
- Property owners should remove items located within City property limits (boulevard), such as landscaping and / or decorative objects.
- The City will not be responsible for damage to any privately owned items on City property.

	<p><b>Work Hours:</b> Work will take place from approximately 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday, with work after hours as required. Night work will also be required in some areas.</p>
	<p><b>Road and Sidewalk Access:</b> In order to complete the work in a safe manner, there will be road and sidewalk restrictions within the construction work zone. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained at all times.</p> <p><b>Driveway Access:</b> The contractor will notify you in advance of any temporary restrictions to your driveway access. If your property has two entrances, one entrance will be kept open at all times.</p>
	<p><b>Traffic Management:</b> Unloading and loading equipment may result in temporary disruption to local traffic. In order to complete the work effectively and in a safe manner, some pedestrian and vehicle traffic restrictions will be necessary.</p>
	<p><b>Restoration:</b> The work area will be restored with sod and/or asphalt where required. Interlocking bricks, flagstone on a granular base, or other similar features that are removed from public and private property during construction will be replaced. Lawn seeding and/or laying of sod will be done as needed during ideal growing seasons only - in the spring (April to June) and fall (September to October).</p>

## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

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

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