Main Street Renewal

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On-Going

Here's a block-by-block breakdown of the work currently underway:

- **Harvey Street to Clegg Street:** Placement of green thermoplastic for the cycle tracks;
- **Clegg Street to the McIlraith Bridge:** Connection of the new watermain to the system, construction of concrete sidewalks, electrical work and road work; and
- **Brantwood Place Gates**: Placement of stones on the pillars.

Excavation for road construction at Toronto Street.

Upcoming

Here are key **new** upcoming construction activities planned for the next two weeks:

- **Harvey Street to Clegg Street:** Installation of street furniture (benches, recycling units and bike racks) and installation of tree guards and grates;
- **Clegg Street to the McIlraith Bridge:** Construction of the Riverdale Avenue retaining wall and placement of the concrete curbs;
- **Bridge Approach:** Landscaping of the road embankment, and;
- **Rideau River Drive:** Landscaping.

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Traffic

Beckwith Road

Beckwith Road will **remain closed to traffic at Main Street until October 21.** Beckwith Road is open to pedestrians.

Riverside Drive

Starting on October 3, the section of Riverside Drive beneath the McIlraith Bridge (near Main Street and Smyth Road) will be closed to all traffic between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. from Monday to Friday, and between 8 p.m. and 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. This closure is required as part of the McIlraith Bridge Rehabilitation project.

Motorists and cyclists will be detoured through the area via the on and off ramps with some modifications at the intersection of Smyth Road. Daytime traffic will not be impacted.

Construction of concrete sidewalks

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Did you know?

The white liquid sprayed on freshly placed/finished concrete sidewalks is called a *liquid membrane curing compound*. Applying this compound to the concrete surface helps with the curing of the concrete. Curing is the process in which the concrete is protected from loss of moisture and kept within a reasonable temperature range. This process results in concrete with increased strength and decreased permeability. Curing is also important in mitigating cracks, which can severely affect durability.

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