Construction Notice
Minor Lane Closures for Tree Removals in Area 3 (Stony Plain Road/104 Avenue Between 139 Street and 121 Street, and on 102 Avenue at 139 Street)

Beginning on or around October 3, 2022, Marigold Infrastructure construction crew will begin preparing Area 3 of the Valley Line West alignment for construction (Stony Plain Road/104 Avenue between 139 Street and 121 Street). Work will also occur on Groat Road near the Stony Plain Road bridge. This work includes:

- Removal of approximately 300 City-owned trees along the Valley Line West alignment in Area 3
- Pruning of roots and branches of trees within 20m of construction
- Installation of protection fences around trees within 20m of construction
- Hydrovac-assisted utility location investigation

This work will not be fixed to one location. Crews will move from site-to-site between 139 Street on Stony Plain Road/104 Avenue to 121 Street and on Groat Road near the Stony Plain Road bridge.

Crews will endeavor to do their best to work on the boulevards adjacent to the trees; however, temporary parking and traffic interruptions may occur. Any traffic interruptions will occur during off-peak hours (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.); however, construction activities may take place between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. Pedestrians may be detoured while the work occurs. Please follow area wayfinding signage and the direction of construction personnel.

Marigold is committed to the City of Edmonton Corporate Tree Management Policy. Vegetation that is temporarily or permanently lost due to LRT construction will be relocated or replaced. Marigold will replant more than 1,800 new trees and shrubs after construction is completed, guided by full landscaping plans. These plans will incorporate native trees and shrubs.

Tree Removals in Area 3

Impacts to the public will include:

Drivers
- Temporary, short-term traffic interruptions anywhere from 15 minutes to three hours at each location between 139 Street on Stony Plain Road/104 Avenue to 121 Street, and on Groat Road near the Stony Plain Road bridge during off-peak hours (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

Pedestrians
- Pedestrians may be detoured. Please follow area wayfinding signage and/or the direction of construction personnel.
Other Impacts
● Construction activities may occur between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m.
● This work is expected to last one month.
● There may be noise associated with this work. Specifically, that of a hydrovac truck and saw cutting.

Key Messages:
● The City of Edmonton and Marigold understand that mature trees are very important to residents and that understanding has been an important consideration for the project.
● The City decided to place Valley Line West along Stony Plain Road after many years of planning and consideration. The LRT is urban style in nature and is meant to travel through communities.
● We highly value the city’s tree canopy and the Valley Line West team works hard to avoid impact and save trees.
● The City works with subject matter experts such as landscape architects and certified arborists, who make recommendations regarding tree retention, removal, replacement, and protection.
● Marigold removed 1,200 trees during its 2021 construction season and will be removing 800 more trees during its 2022 construction season including trees in the Glenora community.
● Most trees are unfortunately not suitable for relocation. Relocation is dependent on many factors, including the health of the tree, its age, size and species, along with the proximity of the tree and its root system to surrounding utilities, pavement, or any overhead obstructions.
● To help offset the tree removal, Marigold will plant at least 1,800 new trees and shrubs along the Valley Line West LRT route, as part of a full landscaping plan once construction finishes.
  ○ It’s important to note that detailed design efforts are underway and a finalized number is not available until Marigold completes their overall landscaping plan.
● Building a large infrastructure project like the Valley Line West in mature neighbourhoods that have narrower streets can be a challenge. When space is constrained, we need to make way for the materials and infrastructure the line requires, such as the tracks, and to rebuild roads and sidewalks.

The information in this bulletin is current to September 23, 2022. Please note all dates are approximate and weather dependent. We thank you for your patience and understanding during the construction of the Valley Line West LRT project. Marigold Infrastructure Partners is excited to be a part of Edmonton’s economic recovery.

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