Yellowhead Trail Freeway

ST. ALBERT TRAIL TO 97 STREET

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Project Update

Design work continues for St. Albert Trail to 97 Street, the largest and most technically complex segment of the freeway conversion.



The plan for this section of Yellowhead Trail includes:

- Removal of all traffic signals and direct accesses to Yellowhead Trail.
- + Two new interchanges; one at 127 Street and one at 121 Street (previously referred to as the 115 Street interchange).
- New roadway connection from 121 Street and 107 Street to the 121 Street interchange to provide access to Yellowhead Trail.
- New service roads parallel to Yellowhead Trail to manage traffic flow in the west part of the project area.
- + New shared-use path on the south side of Yellowhead Trail from 142 Street to 107 Street.

Preliminary Design Highlights

The preliminary design has retained most of the features outlined in the concept plan, however there are a few changes of note such as a new separate pedestrian bridge at 127 Street. Join us at an upcoming engagement session or visit the project website in late May to learn more.

What to expect in 2023

Upcoming Public Engagement

Join the Project Team for an update on the freeway design and construction details.



Community Drop-in Event

May 25, 2023 | 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. St. Pius X School (12214 128 Street)



Business Drop-in Event for Hagmann Industrial Area

June 12, 2023 | 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Irish Centre (12546 126 Street)



Online Public Session

June 14, 2023 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Community Conversations with Dovercourt, Sherbrooke and Prince Charles occurred in May 2022 to discuss the open space, landscaping and active transportation designs for the neighbourhoods. The What We Heard reports summarizing feedback received at these sessions are posted on the project website. We are using the feedback gathered to inform the design.

2023 Construction

Expect to see workers in the area conducting site visits, collecting data and completing construction activities throughout 2023. Some key activities are:

Tree Removal

The removal of select trees within the project area will occur in April. Key areas include:

- Tree stands north and south of the existing noise wall in both Sherbrooke and Prince Charles.
- + Select trees along the south side of the Hagmann Estate Industrial Area.

The project team has worked closely with the City's Urban Forestry Team to minimize the number of trees removed and to ensure existing trees are protected during construction.

Following construction, new trees, along with naturalization plantings, will be added to the corridor. We will share landscape plans for the area with you at our upcoming public events.

Building Demolition

Several buildings will be demolished along the north side of Yellowhead Trail. between 129 Street and 121 Street.

127 Street Detour

127 Street and Yellowhead Trail will be realigned to facilitate construction of the new 127 Street interchange.

No left turns in any direction will be permitted at the Yellowhead Trail/127 Street intersection while this detour is in place.



Utility Relocations and Installments

Drainage work includes construction of a large storm sewer tunnel along the south side of Yellowhead Trail from 131 Street to 121 Street. The tunnel will prevent flooding of the underpasses at St. Albert Trail, 127 Street, CN/Via Rail, and 121 Street during heavy rainfall events.

In 2023, activities include construction of entry and exit shafts near 121 Street and the intersection near 124 Avenue and 131 Street, respectively.

Utility work will include relocation and construction of underground gas, power, telecommunication, sanitary, storm, and water lines.

Thank you for your patience during the construction of the Yellowhead Trail Freeway conversion.

What's next for St. Albert Trail to 97 Street?

KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

Spring 2023 – Preliminary design complete

June 2023 - Preliminary design public engagement

Late 2023 – Detailed design complete

Late 2023 / early 2024 - Construction

information session

2023 to 2027 – Construction

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