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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Lakeshore Drive Closed Sept. 26 to 30**  
***Work ramps up on Centennial Park improvements***

*Barrie, ON* – Lakeshore Drive will be closed in both directions from Tiffin Street to Simcoe Street from **Monday, Sept. 26 at 7 a.m. to Friday, Sept. 30 at 5 p.m.** The detour route will be along Bradford Street, via Tiffin Street and Simcoe Street. The Tiffin Boat Launch will remain open during this time and pedestrians can cross Lakeshore Drive at Victoria Street to access the Marina and beach.

The full closure of Lakeshore Drive is required so the contractor can complete asphalt repairs under warranty from the recent re-construction. Signs advising of the road closure were posted last week.

**Centennial Park Update:**

Starting this week, work will ramp up on the Centennial Park improvements. More fencing will be installed at the north end of the park on Thursday, Sept. 22 and in about 2 weeks fencing will be installed in the area of the playground. The fencing will largely prevent access to the open green space in the park, however, the following will remain **open and accessible** throughout construction:

- Pedestrian and cycle trail
- Public washrooms
- Beach
- Playground (except the swings, which will be removed in October)

Access to the pedestrian and cycle trails will be available at Victoria Street, the Marina boat launch and at the Dyments Creek Bridge. The Marina boat launch and North Centennial Parking Lot will be closed on Oct. 17 until Spring 2017.

For more information about the project, visit [barrie.ca/LakeshoreProject](http://barrie.ca/LakeshoreProject).

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