

MEDIA RELEASE

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Road construction projects continue across Barrie Residents reminded to plan ahead and use detour routes

(Barrie, ON) – The City of Barrie is making progress on its road improvement projects and infrastructure upgrades this summer.

"We appreciate the patience and understanding of residents as they navigate road closures and construction work in Barrie," says Bala Araniyasundaran, General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management. "In the end, we're making it easier for people to get around the city and adding more options for active transportation."

Here are updates on the major road construction projects currently happening in the city:

Dunlop Street interchange trunk sanitary relocation

Cedar Pointe Drive remains fully closed until August 25. Businesses are open on Cedar Pointe Drive, but access is only from Edgehill Drive. Barrie Transit route 6 is on detour.

Duckworth Street improvements

Duckworth Street remains closed from Grove Street to Howard Crescent. Barrie Transit routes 6 and 7 are on detour. A full intersection closure of Grove Street East and Duckworth Street is scheduled for August 9 to August 11.

Bryne Drive South extension

Construction of the Bryne Drive South extension has started. Access to all businesses remains open. Motorists can expect occasional lane closures when travelling along the existing Bryne Drive, north of Caplan Avenue.

Sunnidale Road new watermain/MTO bridge replacement

The transmission watermain work is complete. Final completion of the watermain work, including the connections at Wellington and Letitia, will be completed in mid-August. The Ministry of Transportation now requires a full closure of Sunnidale Road between Wellington Street West and Shirley Avenue tentatively until October 31, 2024, for the bridge replacement work.

Road resurfacing program

Resurfacing of Georgian Drive between Duckworth Street and Gallie Court is underway. The top layer of asphalt is scheduled to be paved during overnight hours on August 7 and August 8, from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. The contractor will maintain one lane of traffic heading in the eastbound direction; westbound traffic will be detoured around the work zone. Access to the hospital for emergency vehicles will be provided at all times. As well, the finishing paving work on Kempview Lane, Lismer Boulevard and Whitty Lane will be done in August. Also, Ferndale Drive between Ardagh Road and Hawthorne Crescent will be repaved this month.

For updates on the above and other road projects, and to view an interactive map, visit barrie.ca/roadwork.

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