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Two lanes of traffic open through Mapleview Drive East project

(Barrie, ON) Construction on Mapleview Drive East from Madelaine Drive to Yonge Street is progressing well. The construction project started in late July and traffic has been restricted to one lane Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Late last week, a temporary lane was added on September 21 to allow for two lanes of traffic.

As the project progresses, drivers should be aware of the following upcoming closures:

- Access to Dean Avenue from Mapleview Drive East will be closed off from October 12 to December 17. This is due to a grade difference between the existing Mapleview Drive and Dean Avenue that will prevent vehicular access until the north side is completed.
- Access to Goodwin Drive from Mapleview Drive East will be closed from October 21 to December 17. Similar to Dean Avenue, this is due to the underground infrastructure works and the grade difference between the existing Mapleview road and Goodwin Drive.

The project is required to accommodate future traffic volumes and construct important infrastructure that will service development in south Barrie. Drivers should expect delays while construction is occurring and are encouraged to use alternate routes when possible.

Barrie Transit route 8 will continue to be on detour for the duration of the project. Please visit barrie.ca/TransitNotices for details.

When complete this project will increase the traffic capacity, improve the efficiency of both the sanitary and watermain infrastructure, enhance the storm sewer runoff quality and provide community connectivity and improved quality of life with the installation of the multi-use trail. The installation of lighting will enhance visibility and increase vehicular and pedestrian safety.

For more information on the project, visit the <u>Mapleview Drive East</u>, <u>Madelaine to Yonge</u> web page via <u>barrie.ca/roadwork</u>.

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