

COMMUNITY NOTICE

MACLEOD ESTATE TRAIL PROJECT

MULTI-USE TRAIL CONNECTION TO OAK RIDGES CORRIDOR CONSERVATION RESERVE

Implementation Timeline: Spring 2023 to Fall 2023*

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) and the City of Richmond Hill (the City) are working in partnership to construct the Macleod Estate Trail Project, a new 800-metre multi-use trail connection from the Oak Ridges Corridor Conservation Reserve (ORCCR) spine trail to the Macleod's Landing neighbourhood, located near Yonge Street and Jefferson Sideroad. This new trail will enhance active transportation and recreation opportunities for the Macleod's Landing neighbourhood and provide an important connection from surrounding streets to ORCCR and the Oak Ridges Trail. The project will also include new signage and restoration plantings. A map of the proposed trail is included on the back of this letter.

In 2021, a Stage 2 archaeological assessment completed by TRCA staff identified a site with significant cultural heritage value or interest within the project area, indefinitely delaying construction. To avoid and protect the site, TRCA proposed revisions to the trail plan and committed to archaeological monitoring by licensed archaeologists. TRCA received approval from the Ontario Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries (MHSTCI) in October 2022 and will be proceeding with construction in Spring 2023*.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- As a measure of safety, residents are asked to refrain from entering the construction site.
- You may experience moderate dust, noise and temporary closures of existing informal trails. Construction noise will be limited to approximately 7 am – 4 pm, in compliance with the City of Richmond Hill Noise By-law No. 43-20. The City and TRCA will make every effort to reduce these impacts. We appreciate your patience in this regard.
- **Property owners adjacent to areas under construction should remove privately owned items from public property to avoid accidental damage, as the City and TRCA will not be responsible for damages.**
- Residents are asked to follow construction signs and directives to maintain personal safety.
- Construction is anticipated to take approximately 12-16 weeks.

For project updates, please go to: trca.ca/oakridges

To speak to someone directly about this project, please contact:

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TRCA intends to proceed with this project pending receipt of all necessary approvals.

*Construction timeline is subject to change pending suitable weather and site conditions.

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