
COMMUNITY UPDATE

Queen's Park Reconstruction Project



Project Update

Macdonald Block Reconstruction Set to Begin

The contract for the reconstruction of the Macdonald Block Complex was awarded to Fengate PCL Progress Partners (FP3) in early August. The complex, which consists of four towers and a podium near Queen's Park in Toronto, is a critical hub of government operations. It has not undergone a major renovation since it was completed in 1971.

With the awarding of the contract, design work and construction activities will start immediately. Construction is expected to be substantially complete in the spring of 2024 with staged occupancy beginning soon after that.

During construction, each building in the complex will be taken back to its original building core, remediated and rebuilt using modern technologies, systems and materials while preserving the integrity of its many heritage features. Over the next few weeks, equipment will be brought on site, fencing will be installed and initial landscaping work will occur to prepare for construction. Construction notices and updates will be shared with the community as the project progresses.

Infrastructure Ontario and the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services selected FP3 after extensive evaluations following an open and competitive procurement process that began in August 2017. More information is available at www.infrastructureontario.ca/Macdonald-Block-Reconstruction-Project.

Whitney Block Rehabilitation Continues

The rehabilitation of the Whitney Block, one of Ontario's oldest government buildings, is well underway. Work includes replacing windows, updating the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system and repairing the exterior façade. This work is being conducted for health and safety, code compliance and building maintenance purposes.

Scaffolding and overhead protection has also been installed around the exterior building. The scaffolding will be moved as workers replace the building's windows in phases. Construction noise may be heard, however, work will be conducted in compliance with the City of Toronto Noise By-Law.

More information is available at <http://www.infrastructureontario.ca/Whitney-Block-Project>.

About the Project

The Queen's Park Reconstruction Project (QPRP) is an initiative that involves the extensive reconstruction of the Macdonald Block Complex and the rehabilitation of the Whitney Block. Infrastructure Ontario is leading the QPRP procurement process and is responsible for managing the project during design and construction.

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