

March 10, 2017

## **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – Elgin Transformer Station**

Dear Parents,

Hydro One supplies electricity to downtown Hamilton from its Elgin Transformer Station located opposite Beasley Community Centre and Dr. J. Edgar Davey Elementary School. Work to replace aging equipment inside the station began earlier this winter and will continue until 2020.

### **Upcoming work**

Safety is our top priority, and while work is ongoing, Hydro One will try to minimize inconvenience to the community. We need your help in communicating this information to your children, friends and neighbours about the changes described in this notice.

### **Changes to the area beside Elgin Transformer Station**

You may recall that a temporary construction fence will be installed to the east of Elgin Transformer Station. In addition, five trees along the east side of the station must be removed to allow safe access to the station during construction. One of these is an Ash tree infested with Emerald Ash Borer. These trees will be removed by Hydro One Forestry crews on March 17. Hydro One will work with the City to compensate for these trees 3:1 for re-planting at a location to be determined by City staff.

At the end of construction, the area to the east side of Elgin Transformer Station will be re-beautified with trees, shrubs and/or bushes, in consultation with the City of Hamilton.

### **The weather station's new location within Beasley Park**

As you may recall, the Ontario government's weather station is being moved to Beasley Park until construction at the station has been completed. During the week of March 13 (March break), it will be installed on the gravel pad that has been created in the park, and securely fenced for safety. In order to provide power to the weather station at its new location, one new wood pole will be installed near Cannon Street and a new low-voltage overhead power line will connect the pole to the weather station. One small pine tree may require trimming to allow for safe installation of the new line; if required, this will be done by Hydro One Forestry crews on March 17.

At the end of construction at Elgin Transformer Station, the wood pole, overhead line and gravel will be removed and the weather station will be relocated near Wilson Street.

### **Changes to the curb along Wilson Street**

During the week of March break, crews will be modifying the curb along Wilson Street at the edge of the school/community centre parking lot. This work is required to ensure that trucks and equipment can safely exit the parking lot during construction. A traffic control monitor will be on-site as required during business hours to assist with any required sidewalk and lane closures.

## **Upcoming work, continued ...**

Once school resumes on March 20, crossing guards will be available during the mornings and afternoons to help parents and students on their way to and from Dr. Davey School. Please ask your children to seek help from the crossing guards, as required.

### **Thank you for your help**

We realize that Hydro One's work at the station in your community may cause some inconvenience for you and your children. Thank you for your patience and cooperation. **Please ask your children to be safe and stay clear of fenced areas and construction areas.**

### **If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.**

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