





COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	September 19, 2023
SUBJECT:	Claremont Access Update (City Wide) (ENG23004)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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Following our previous communication updates on March 1, 2023 (ENG23001) and March 29, 2023 (ENG23002) and May 11, 2023 (ENG23003) regarding the ongoing erosion and slope stability concerns along the Claremont Access, we would like to provide Members of Council with an update on the City's broader efforts to maintain and make-safe the escarpment.

Progressive failures observed earlier in 2023 (March and May) required the immediate temporary closure of the downbound lanes of the Claremont Access on March 1, 2023. Engineering Services staff worked with Procurement to expedite a planned Capital Project to remove the steel walls and scale the escarpment face. The City's Consultant on this project, Stantec Consulting Limited, continued to conduct regular site inspections, and the area remained secured and closed to vehicle and pedestrian access as a precautionary measure, ensuring public safety.

A Request for Quotation was issued on March 27, 2023 and closed on April 27, 2023. Contract C15-51-23(H) was awarded to Rankin Construction on June 2, 2023, and the Contractor mobilized to the site on June 19, 2023. To date, Rankin Construction has

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removed approximately 80% of the steel walls; cleared 90% of the escarpment face, and 90% of the grubbing and scaling has been completed. It is anticipated that wall removal and scaling operations will be finalized by the end of September 2023.

Remaining work, which includes excess material removal off site, rock fence extension and site cleanup, is anticipated to be completed by October 15, 2023. There may be added scope to the Contract to repair the road surface and reapply line painting to ready the downbound lanes for reopening. Therefore, the downbound lanes will remain closed in the weeks following, until all remedial work is completed.

Stantec has been completing weekly site reviews in conjunction with ongoing works. Upon completion of the works, Stantec will perform a final review prior to reopening the downbound lanes.

A follow-up communication will be provided outlining the expected reopening operation, and removals of all traffic barriers affecting downbound traffic (as previously discussed in the Communication Update on March 29, 2023, ENG23002).



If you require further information, please contact Jackie Kennedy, Director, Engineering Services at (905) 546-2424 Ext.1611.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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