

## **Project Update:** **Kanata South Link**

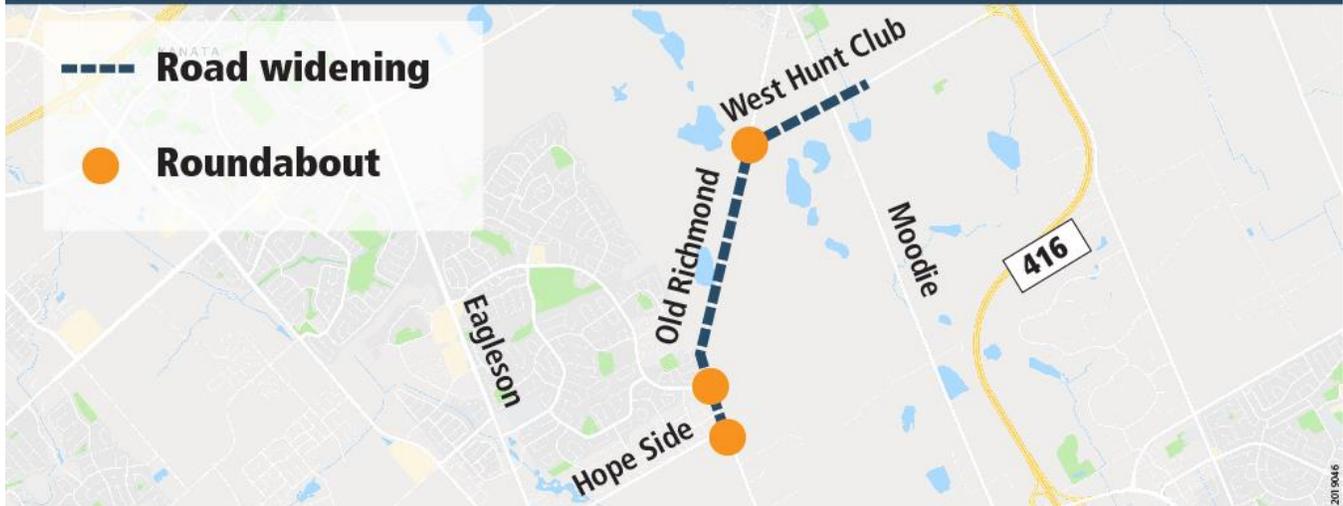
Construction has begun on the [Kanata South Link](#) project, a \$39 million project that will improve safety and traffic flow based on growing demands in the southwest areas of the city, including Kanata, Stittsville and Rideau-Goulbourn.

The City is widening Old Richmond Road from Hope Side Road to West Hunt Club Road, and West Hunt Club Road from Old Richmond Road to approximately 200 metres east of Moodie Drive. Other work on this project includes:

- Roundabouts at three intersections along Old Richmond Road: Hope Side Road; Stonehaven Drive; and West Hunt Club Road
- Intersection improvements at West Hunt Club Road and Moodie Drive
- Utility upgrades including street lighting
- Asphalt resurfacing of Hope Side Road
- Improved pedestrian and cycling facilities
- Tree removal to accommodate construction
- New tree planting and landscaping
- Environmental mitigation on-site and off-site wetland compensation

The project is expected to be completed by late 2020.

# Kanata South Link



## Construction Update:

Work on the Kanata South Link project began the week of February 19<sup>th</sup>. To date, the following work has commenced:

- Clearing and grubbing is currently being carried out including tree removals.
- A temporary exclusion barrier is currently being constructed to prevent wildlife, including turtles, Western Chorus Frogs and other species, from accessing construction zone.
- Test pits on Old Richmond Road to locate the existing gas main are ongoing.
- Environmental monitoring and construction of mitigation measures such as tree protection, daily and weekly sweeps.
- Traffic impacts to date have been limited to periodic lane closures (off peak) and auxiliary (additional lane adjacent to a lane for through traffic) lane closures.

Picture 1: Clearing and Grubbing Adjacent to Old Richmond Road



Picture 2: Tests Pits to Locate Main Gas Lines



Picture 3: Installing Temporary Exclusion Barriers



**Next Steps:**

Over the next few weeks, the contractor, Cavanagh Construction Ltd., will continue to clear the site and removal of shrubs and trees and will continue with environmental monitoring and mitigating impacts.

In addition, test pits to locate the existing gas main will be completed and utility relocation including Hydro, Bell and Rogers work will continue.

During April, Old Richmond Road will be temporarily widened along the west side to provide two travel lanes from the existing centerline, in preparation for the traffic shift onto these lanes in May. In addition, short sections along the north side of both Hope Side Road and Stonehaven Drive, just west of Old Richmond Road will be widened to accommodate traffic flow. This will not affect the current lane configurations.

### **Upcoming Traffic Impacts:**

Traffic impacts for the next month will be periodic lane closures (off peak) and auxiliary lane (additional lane adjacent to a lane for through traffic) closures.

For a complete listing of traffic impacts, please visit the [Kanata South Link](#) project page.

### **Noise By-Law**

The City of Ottawa Noise By-law (2017-255) allows construction activity to occur weekdays between 7 am and 10 pm. On Saturdays, work is permitted between 7 am and 10 pm while Sunday and Statutory holiday work is allowed between 9 am and 10 pm.

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