



Project Notice: Wonderland Road North Large Diameter Watermain Installation Project Notice Letter

Date: October 23, 2026

To: Resident and/or property owner

The City of London is planning a construction project on Wonderland Road North in 2027 to install a large diameter watermain. We're contacting you to let you know a bit more about the project and what's next, as well as how to contact us with questions or concerns.

About the project

Project location:

The map below identifies the approximate limits of the construction project area. Work is planned on Wonderland Road North from Gainsborough Road to Sarnia Road.



Work that will be happening on your street

Work to be completed as part of this construction project includes:

- Removing the current road surface, curbs and gutters (where required)
- Adding new granular sub-layer, base granular, and asphalt (where required)
- Active Transportation and Intersection signal improvements
- Boulevard restoration (adding new topsoil and sod, where required)
- Installing new watermains
- Storm sewer outfall improvements
- Tree removals (see Appendix A)



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Anticipated project timeline

The project is anticipated to follow a schedule similar to the one below.

Fall 2026:

- Detailed design is completed, incorporating comments and input from property owners where possible.
- Tree assessment is completed and any trees requiring removal are identified.

Spring 2027:

- Pre-construction notices will be issued approximately two weeks ahead of the start of construction, with more detailed information on temporary conditions and impacts to things like business access and any expected road disruptions
- Construction Starts (subject to tender and approvals)

March 2027:

- Any tree removals required in the year 2027 will be completed by this date, in accordance with legislation protecting migratory birds and their nesting periods. More information on the City of London's approach to tree assessment, protection and replacement is included in this notice.

Our regard for wildlife

The first three months of each year is a period when most tree removals across the city are completed, and that's because we are working to complete this pre-construction work ahead of the migratory bird nesting period, which starts on April 1st. In cases where tree removals continue later into the spring, bird experts are also then engaged before any removals take place.

Public engagement opportunities

Public Drop-in Session

The City of London is hosting a public update meeting on October 20, 2026, to provide an update on the project and share information on construction.

Please join the City of London for a drop-in event to view updated construction plans, review necessary tree removals, discuss impacts to your property and to learn more about the project.

Date: Tuesday November 10, 2026

Time: 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Location: Sherwood Branch Public Library
1225 Wonderland Road N, London, ON N6G 2V9

If you require any special accommodation in accessing the project information or online material, please contact the City project manager listed below, and we will work together to best share the information with you.

Contact information:



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The City is committed to keeping you informed during the project. Please reach out to your City project manager at any time, Monday through Friday.

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Website

Visit the City's Get Involved website at <https://getinvolved.london.ca/wonderland-watermain> or scan the QR code to learn more about this construction project. You'll find project notices, updates, and related information. Additional details will be added as the project progresses.



Stay informed:

Renew London interactive map

Use the interactive map on [Renew London](https://london.ca/roadwork) (london.ca/roadwork) to search your street name to find current information about your construction project and other city-wide road work.

Next steps.

You will receive a second notice in the near future, giving information on the final project design and a more up to date construction schedule. In the meantime, please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you in advance for your interest and cooperation on this project.

Regards,

Kevin Graham, P.Eng
Environmental Services Engineer
Water Engineering Division
City of London

Copied: Kelly Scherr, Deputy City Manager, Environment and Infrastructure Services



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Councillor Sam Trosow (Ward 6)
Councillor Corrine Rahman (Ward 7)



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Appendix A: Tree Impacts

Tree removals

During a project’s design, staff from the City of London’s engineering, forestry, and construction administration divisions, along with the engineer and arborist, walk the street to evaluate each property, determine the current health of the trees, and determine how to minimize impacts to trees and structures.

Removal of trees is never our first choice, and we strive to reduce tree impacts as much as possible while balancing the need for safe and reliable infrastructure in our city.

After careful assessment, it was determined that there are trees within the City right-of-way that need to be removed for health reasons or due to construction conflicts. Trees within the project limits were inspected by a professional arborist from the project team to determine their health condition, review conflicts with construction, and develop a tree protection plan. **A total of 72 trees were assessed within the project limits.**

Anticipated tree removals are listed below and are subject to change. Details about the specific tree locations are included at the end of this notice.

Tree size has been grouped into two categories: small trees with a diameter less than 12 inches / 30 cm and large trees with a diameter greater than 12 inches / 30 cm.

- Removal is required for a total of 18 small trees and 1 large tree on Wonderland Road N
- Removal is not required for a total of 37 small trees and 16 large trees on Wonderland Road N

Tree replacement

When projects are completed, the City replaces the removed trees and evaluates additional new tree planting opportunities. Each project is unique, and our approach to tree replacement is tailored to the context of the area we’re working with.

Each year, the City of London plants approximately 5,000 trees to help mitigate the impacts of climate change, provide shade and lower temperatures reducing energy costs at homes. Trees also help absorb heavy rainfall and reduce stormwater flows.

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Tree assessment findings

Location	Tree type and trunk diameter	Reason for removal
Wonderland Rd N, boulevard behind 626 Middlewoods Dr	Tree ID #80, Black Walnut, 15.62 cm	Poor condition
511 Lawson Rd	Tree ID #83, Siberian Elm, 48 cm	Poor condition
1045 Wonderland Rd N	Tree ID #102, Blue Beech, 24 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #119, Thornless Honey locust – 21.47 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #120, Thornless Honey-locust – 16 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk,



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Location	Tree type and trunk diameter	Reason for removal
		storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #121, Green Ash, 24.84 cm	Poor condition
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID # 122, Eastern Cottonwood, 19 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #123, Eastern Cottonwood, 10 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #124, Eastern Cottonwood, 17 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #125, Thornless Honey-locust, 16 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #126, Black Locust, 18 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #131, Green Ash, 10 cm	Poor condition
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #133, Thornless Honey-locust, 17 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #134, Thornless Honey-locust, 22 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #135, Thornless Honey-locust, 20 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #1004, American Basswood, 20 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #1005, White Willow, 22 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #1006, White Willow, 27 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation
510 Gainsborough Rd, storm channel	Tree ID #1008 Silver Maple, 24 cm	Construction impacts: conflicts with curb and gutter, sidewalk, storm sewer and catch basin installation



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