

TBM Update: Elsie is leaving Broadway-City Hall Station to follow Phyllis towards Oak-VGH Station

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Broadway Subway Project's tunnel boring machine (TBM), known as Elsie, is starting the next leg of tunneling, and is heading towards the Oak-VGH Station. Meanwhile, TBM Phyllis is expected to arrive at the Oak-VGH Station early this Fall. Phyllis and Elsie began their journey at the future Great Northern Way-Emily Carr station in late-2022 and are expected to complete their travels at Cypress Street by the end of the year.

Timing

- Tunneling activities take place 24/7
- Hours of work may vary for other activities at the six station sites, for details visit [our Current Work page](#)

What to Expect

- Temporary vibration and some sound may be noticeable at the surface, similar to when large equipment is operating in the area
- Noise related to boring activities will be intermittent as the TBM bores and then assembles tunnel rings in an alternating pattern
- Short-term elevated noise when the TBM arrives at the Oak-VGH station area

To prepare for tunneling, crews performed extensive geotechnical work to understand the ground conditions. In addition, ground conditions are monitored with real-time data during tunneling activities.

You can stay updated about the Broadway Subway Project construction activities by signing up [here](#) to receive notifications and newsletters.

Thank you for your patience

We know that construction can be disruptive, and we are working hard to minimize impacts in your neighbourhood. We will continue to keep you informed in advance of work to help you plan accordingly. Your patience during this work is appreciated.

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