

Public Service Announcement

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City of Edmonton

Tree removal begins near 102 Ave bridge

On **Tuesday, February 18, 2014** tree removal begins in the area surrounding the 102 Avenue over Groat Road Bridge in preparation for construction of a replacement bridge this summer. Tree removal is anticipated to take several weeks.

Between February and July there will be periodic lane closures on 102 Avenue and Groat Road for tree removal, soil nailing and utility work. Effective July 2, 2014 the bridge will be closed for 15 months, until approximately October 2015, as the century-old bridge is removed and a new bridge is constructed.



Tree clearing is required to provide the necessary room for heavy equipment to install soil nails along the Groat Ravine. Soil nails are needed to stabilize the hillside prior to bridge construction. The area will be re-landscaped once the new bridge opens. The project will add as many or more trees and foliage than it removes.

102 Avenue is a major east/west corridor into and out of downtown. There will be significant traffic impacts once the bridge closes, including traffic and transit detours. The project team will share construction details and traffic detour information at a public meeting:

Date: Thursday, March 13, 2014

Time: 5 – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Royal Alberta Museum (12845-102 Avenue)

The new 102 Avenue over Groat Road Bridge will maintain the existing four-lane traffic configuration. Crews will also undertake minor work on the nearby Wellington Bridge to allow truck traffic to reach the project site.

For more information please visit edmonton.ca/102avenueovergroat.

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