




COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	March 1, 2023
SUBJECT:	Temporary Closure of Claremont Access downbound lanes (ENG23001) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Jackie Kennedy Director, Engineering Services Public Works Department
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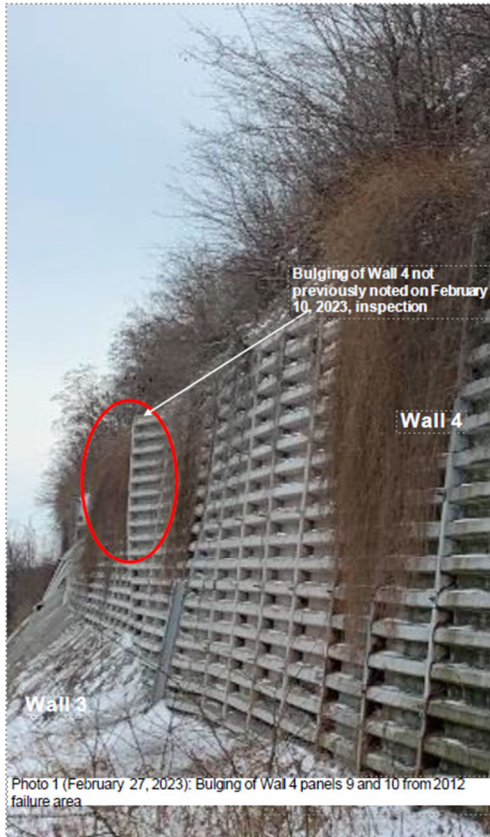
In January 2020, City Council approved Policy HR-01-09, Sharing of Consultant Reports with Identified Imminent Risk to Human Health or Safety, which requires staff to ensure Council is promptly and appropriately informed of any identified imminent danger to human health or safety. To ensure Council and the community are appropriately informed, Public Works staff are sharing details about a safety concern on Claremont Escarpment.

The City has retained Stantec Consulting Limited to prepare plans to remove the steel walls from the escarpment along the Claremont Access, and as part of their work, Stantec conducts regular inspections. During an inspection on February 27, 2023, the consultant noticed a change in the steel wall, indicative of a potential failure of certain sections of the steel facing wall along of the escarpment.

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The Consultant followed up with Engineering Services staff on February 28th, and recommendations for increased monitoring and relieving the pressure on the steel wall were recommended.

Upon further review on March 1st, Stantec recommended the closure of the down bound lanes on Claremont Access as a temporary measure out of an abundance of caution until further investigation could be completed.

The Traffic Operations and Maintenance Division is taking steps to implement a temporary closure immediately, and will review with detour signage on March 2nd, 2023.

We understand that this closure may cause some inconvenience, and we apologize for any disruption this may cause.

In the meantime, we are working closely with Stantec to find a solution to remedy this situation.

If you require further information, please contact: Jackie Kennedy, Director, Engineering Construction, ext. 1611

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

None