Sexton Construction Update Jan. 6, 2017

Two new buildings are being constructed on Sexton Campus as part of the IDEA Project - a transformational $64-million investment to Dalhousie’s Engineering and Architecture campus. The Innovation Building is adjacent to C and C1 Buildings, and the Design Building will be on Morris Street.

Excavation and Rock Breaking:

- **On the Innovation site, adjacent to C and C1:**
  Excavation and rock breaking will continue until January 13 and will then slow down as the excavation crew moves to the north end of the building. There will be a few days of rock breaking in late January to early February.

- **On the Morris St site for the Design Building:**
  Rockbreaking is scheduled to be completed by Jan. 15.

*There will be heavy noise on these activities and they will be underway only during hours of operation allowed under HRM Bylaws.*

Installation of construction crane and next steps

The installation of the crane base in the Sexton Field has started and the erection of the crane will take place Jan 9 to 13, 2017. There will be increased congestion along Morris St. due to these activities.

The formwork contractor will start the install of the foundation for the Innovation Building on Jan 16 and will continue until early June. The formwork contractor will start the install of the foundation for the Design Building around Feb 6 until mid June, 2017. Both activities will include formwork deliveries, rebar deliveries, rebar placement, concrete deliveries, concrete placement and will increase the traffic along Morris St.

The delivery and erection of structural steel for both structures will start in late May and continue into Sept 2017. This will intermittently increase the congestion on Morris St for the delivery of the steel.

The noise level will be mostly moderate construction noise for the erection of the structure with some heavy noise only on occasion.

Other activities:
The north sidewalk of Morris Street has been closed and will shortly be relocated to the street where metered parking is currently. Many metered parking spots on the north side of Morris will be removed for the duration of construction. Until the sidewalk relocation is complete, everyone travelling on Morris Street is urged to cross to the south side at marked crosswalks.

Only construction traffic will be entering and exiting Sexton Campus from Morris St. from now on.

Deliveries to campus will now be made via the Barrington Entrance with exit via the driveway by the HRM Library, onto Queen Street.

Access Points

The B Building entrance is now closed to the public to allow for excavation, duct bank relocation and structural concrete work. Signage is in place to direct visitors to alternate entrances.(D, N, B, Morroy, etc.). In the event of an emergency, the nearest exits to this door are D, N, and the Alumni Lounge. Deliveries will now be made through the Alumni Lounge doors.

The C&C1 exit will be closed for all public access until spring 2018. In the event of an emergency, exit will be via the Morroy building, or through B building into the Alumni Lounge. This exit will continue to be blocked off until construction on the Innovation building is completed.

The Morris Street entrance to Sexton is now only available for construction traffic. The Pay and Display parking area in the Rosina lot is now available to those with General Parking Permits.

The renewal of Sexton Campus is underway thanks to the generous support of industry, private donors, the students of Dalhousie and the Government of Canada. Along with the two new buildings, several existing ones will be revitalized over the next two years, adding advanced technology and design labs; state-of-the-art engineering facilities; modern teaching and learning spaces; technology diversity programs; and incubation space linking students and faculty to industry and entrepreneurs. Learn more on the Campus Development website at https://www.dal.ca/dept/facilities/campus-development/projects/theidea-project-.html

For any concerns or questions during business hours (8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) please contact either:

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After hours contact for concerns about the construction sites – Dalhousie Security 902- 494-6400. This number is staffed 24/7, all calls are recorded.