Sexton Construction Update May 15 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. Five other buildings are being renovated at the same time.

IDEA Building & C&C1 Renovation Weekly Update Below (Approximate Dates Only)

IDEA Building

A. Current Project Status

The Innovation Building rock breaking is complete. The formwork, rebar & concrete placement will continue until the 3rd week in July 2017 if all continues to go as planned.

Placing of the slabs will continue for next 2.5 months so there will be increase truck deliveries on a weekly bases.

Trucking of backfill materials from the Sexton Field to the Innovation site will continue to early June 2017.

The Design Building formwork, rebar & concrete placement will continue until early July, 2017. This 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 July and continue into Oct 2017. This will intermittently increase the congestion on Morris St for the off-loading of the steel members.

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

The geothermal work on the Sexton Sports Field will begin in late July 2017 and hopefully complete by early Sept 2017. The noise level will be heavy for some of this activity. Please note that class locations and times will be arranged to help mitigate disruption to students.

The installation of the primary electrical, storm and sanitary lines will require intermittent traffic disruption along the roadway in front of N, D, G & F&P Buildings until Aug 2017. Notifications will be sent out when the next road access work begins. The next major excavation will start in June 2017 and we will try to have completed by Aug 2017 over the summer slow time to minimize disruption to staff and students.

B. Pedestrian & Vehicle Stoppage
The sidewalk on Morris St is back and protected by concrete barriers. This condition will be in effect until Aug 2017. It will be reviewed at that time to see if it is still required.

As of Jan 23, 2017, the rear exit from the Morroy Building has been temporarily closed to allow for the excavation and concrete work in this area. This exit should be reopened by the end of May, 2017. There have been arrangements made to temporarily close down the Math lounge and tech offices in the Morroy Basement to allow the exit to be closed. The delay in opening is due to some brick façade that requires repair due to a few years of water damage.

C. Other – NSPI is working on the removal of the 4Kva high voltage lines along Morris St. and there will be intermittent single lane road closures that will disrupt traffic around the 3rd week of May 2017.

Level 1 & Basement of C & C1 Renovations

A portion of the basement of C1 and Level 1 of C & C1 will closed to the public for renovations. The renovation will be ongoing throughout the summer and is to be complete in Sept 2017. The detour around the construction will be to head to level 2 to enable a crossover between Morroy and Building B. Sorry for the inconvenience but the end results will be great.

There will be construction noise from the renovations and they will start around May 1, 2017 and will continue throughout the summer.

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.