Sexton Construction Update September 1, 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 Emera IDEA Building (formerly 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.

Emera IDEA Building:
The installation of the interior masonry and structural studs will begin mid-September. Installation of the brick façade on the Emera IDEA Building will begin mid-October and the roofing will start near the end of Sept 2017. This work will continue throughout the winter and into January 2018. The installation of the structural steel on the south end of the building will begin in late Sept 2017 and will increase the construction noise on site for approximately 2 weeks.

Design Building:
The Design Building will be home to a 400-seat auditorium and during the month of September there will continue to be rebar and concrete deliveries which may cause brief periods of congestion on Morris Street. Some of the deliveries will include large precast bleachers which will be offloaded on Sexton Field. These will help create the tiered auditorium. This activity will also increase the use and congestion of Morris St. The off-loading of the bleachers will take place on Sexton Field and not from Morris St.

Noise Disruption:
Geothermal borehole drilling on the Sexton Sports Field was completed September 2 and we thank everyone for their patience through this disruptive and noisy activity. The geothermal piping will now be installed.

Pedestrian and Traffic Disruptions
The sidewalk on the north side of Morris Street will continue to be protected by concrete barriers until October.

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

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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.