



## East side listserv: March 6, 2020

### Notice of East Side Noise Fence Installation

Along Gore Rd. from Point St. Mark to Hwy 15

Good afternoon,

You may have noticed recently that Third Crossing crews have been installing a noise fence along Gore Rd. and along a small portion of Point St. Mark Drive. In an effort to keep you informed about what's currently happening in your neighbourhood we wanted to provide you with the below update. There have been some changes to the noise fence. In response to installation of the noise fence recent changes have been made to accommodate several key factors. We have listed some of those factors below. If you have any questions please reach out to us through email at [thirdcrossing@cityofkingston.ca](mailto:thirdcrossing@cityofkingston.ca). A project team member would be happy to speak with you.

- During a site visit with residents last year, we heard there was a desire to provide cut-outs in the noise fence in the shape of an arch to help expose the existing rock wall that is along Gore Rd.
- Although we anticipated to have arches on the bottom of the noise fence, due to a set of circumstances (arches being asymmetrical due to a combination of hard bedrock and drilling equipment's ability to drill the rock out resulting in differences in pole spacing) there will no longer be arches at the bottom of the fence.
- As well the gap between the noise wall and the rock wall is also larger than what was anticipated in the design drawings. This creates an issue with the noise attenuation being compromised and bouncing up into the rear yards of Gore Road.
- Since the gap between the noise wall and the rock wall is City-owned, there is a liability and a safety risk if the arch cut-outs are installed.

Based on these factors, the City of Kingston determined that the best course of action is to leave the noise wall panels fully intact from top to bottom and not install the arch cut-

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outs. The noise wall will be finalized in the next couple of weeks and will be similar to the image below.

We are sending this email as we want to be as open and transparent as possible throughout construction and keep you up-to-date on construction activity. We appreciate your patience as work continues on the east shore and on the Third Crossing project.

Sincerely,

Third Crossing project team

Photo: An image of the noise fence on the west shore installed in the fall. The east shore noise fence will look similar to this noise fence when complete.

