

Fall 2024

The Gordie Howe International Bridge team is steadily advancing all four project components, inching closer to opening day, anticipated to occur in fall 2025.



*The Gordie Howe International Bridge under construction.*

## BRIDGE SITES

The bridge deck connected in June 2024, marking a momentous project milestone and officially designating the Gordie Howe International Bridge as an international crossing and secure corridor. While the deck is connected and stressing of the 216 bridge stay cables is complete, plenty of work remains:

- paving (in progress)
- completion of the multi-use path
- installation of:
  - electrical
  - fire suppression system
  - drainage systems (in progress)
  - barriers and means restriction fencing (in progress)
  - signage
  - lighting.



*Bridge deck paving work.*

## PORTS OF ENTRY

All buildings and structures on both the US and Canadian Ports of Entry (POE) are under construction. Many buildings have interior finishings taking place including drywall, trim finishings, flooring and plumbing fixtures. Other activities include paving, landscaping and fence installation throughout the sites.



Primary inspection lane construction at the US Port of Entry (left) and the Canadian Port of Entry (right).

## MICHIGAN INTERCHANGE (I-75)



I-75 construction including ramps to US POE.

Work on the 1.8 mile/3 kilometre stretch of I-75 is progressing.

All four road bridges located over I-75 at Springwells Street, Green Street, Livernois and Clark Street are complete and open to traffic. Crews continue construction on all five pedestrian bridges, which is anticipated to continue into 2025.

Crews have finished girder placement on the ramps connecting I-75 to the US POE. The new ramps are located between Campbell Street and Livernois Avenue and provide an overpass above Fort Street and I-75 lanes as well as on/off ramps. Concrete deck pours and other finishing touches are taking place on the ramps, which are anticipated to be complete by the end of 2024.

Siphon installations are also underway along portions of I-75 to help facilitate future drainage in the area. Siphon work is currently taking place at Morell Street and Ferdinand Street.

Noise walls (traffic sound barriers) are being constructed along three sections of southbound I-75 to help mitigate highway noise for nearby residents. Noise wall locations include:

- Green Street to Waterman Street, integrated with Beard Street and Waterman Street pedestrian bridges
- Dragoon Street to Junction Street
- Junction Street to Clark Street, integrated with the I-75 ramp and Lansing Street pedestrian bridge.

Each of the three noise walls are in various stages of construction that will continue into 2025.



*Construction of the Jefferson Avenue barrier wall.*

Construction of the Jefferson Avenue barrier wall, an eight-foot security wall along the southern boundary of the US Port of Entry (POE), is nearing completion. The barrier wall faces Jefferson Avenue and spans from Green Street to Campbell Street.

Construction activities include installation of drill shafts, posts and precast panels. The wall features an aesthetic treatment that pays tribute to Historic Fort Wayne's unique star fort structure and was informed through community consultation undertaken in 2019.

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