

# CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

Ottewell Flood Mitigation Project - Dry Pond

# **JULY 2025**

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

EPCOR is constructing a dry pond in Ottewell Park. Dry ponds are stormwater management facilities that are dry the vast majority of the time. These facilities are designed to temporarily hold stormwater when the drainage system cannot, and help prevent flooding of roads, properties and sewer backups in basements.

For the dry pond construction, the topsoil will first be removed from the pond surface and hauled offsite. Once the topsoil is removed, a survey crew will layout the design and the pond excavation will begin. The sub-drain collection system will be installed as sections of the pond are completed. After the sub-drain collection system has been installed, the remaining landscaping work will be done which will include topsoil, sod, recreation amenities and other fixtures. The dry pond area will then remain fenced until landscaping has been established.

Residents can expect to see the contractor use a combination of excavators, loaders, skid steers, and tandem trucks, as well as other equipment. There will be an increased presence of tandem trucks and other construction equipment entering and exiting the site.

# **MAP OF WORK AREA**



## **SCHEDULE**

Use of the laydown area in Ottewell Park began the week of **July 7, 2025**. Once final permits and agreements are in place, dry pond construction will begin. It is expected that dry pond construction will be complete in **December 2025**.

All affected landscaping, pavements and sidewalks will be restored to their original condition.

Landscaping restorations will be completed in **spring 2026,** as weather permits.

Please note, these timelines are estimates and may change based on weather, progress and construction conditions.

# **HOURS OF WORK**

The hours of work will be from **7:00am to 7:00pm, Monday through Saturday.** If required, these hours may be extended, and construction may occur on Sundays from 9:00am to 7:00pm.

EPCOR will work to manage noise associated with the construction. We will work to ensure that the construction is completed within the requirements of the City of Edmonton Noise Bylaw.

# WHAT TO EXPECT

### Site Access & Laydown Area

No road closures are expected; however, there will be an increased presence of tandems trucks and other construction equipment entering and exiting the site.

A portion of Ottewell Park will be used during construction as a laydown area both for the dry pond

construction as well as sewer upgrade work in the neighborhood. The laydown area will be used for the duration of the entire project and will be reopened to the public once the project is complete.

### **Sports Field Closures**

Recreational amenities located inside the work area will be closed during construction. This includes the:

- U13 baseball diamond
- U15 baseball diamond
- U11 soccer field, and
- U13 soccer field.

All existing amenities will be replaced within the dry pond area once construction is complete. Some amenities will be reoriented or relocated to another area within Ottewell Park. After construction, once the landscaping has established, the park area will be reopened to the public.

#### **Restricted Haul Times**

Safety of both the public and work crews is EPCOR's top priority during construction. Due to the close proximity of the dry pond construction to Braemar School and St. Brendan Catholic School, material hauling is restricted during school drop-off and pick-up hours.

### **Dust Management**

Crews will work to keep dust to a minimum. This will include utilizing water spraying systems, limiting stockpiles, limiting operations in windy conditions, as well as ample street monitoring/cleaning.

All loaded trucks importing and exporting materials to and from site will be tarped. Roads affected by hauling will be cleaned as required.



# **OVERALL PROJECT MAP**



# **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The Ottewell Flood Mitigation project will reduce the risk of flooding in Ottewell and area neighbourhoods. Ottewell is primarily serviced with a mix of combined sanitary and storm lines. There is no stormwater management facility in the neighbourhood, and the current overland or surface drainage system is not effective. There are several areas in this neighbourhood where water can pool during intense rainfall events, which puts the Ottewell community at a higher risk of flooding. EPCOR is constructing a dry pond in Ottewell Park and installing/upgrading various storm infrastructure throughout the neighbourhood.

# **OVERALL PROJECT SCHEDULE**

The project will be completed in two parts:

- Storm sewer construction, which began in May 2024. All sewer upgrade work is anticipated to be completed in 2027.
- Dry pond construction, which is anticipated to be complete in 2025.

More information about the schedule for storm sewer upgrades is included in the overall project map. The overall project is expected to be completed in 2027. EPCOR is completing this work in advance of the City of Edmonton's Neighbourhood Renewal work.

# BOOK A FREE FLOOD PREVENTION INSPECTION

EPCOR can help you minimize the risk of flooding on your property from a heavy rain fall event. Book a free inspection with one of our flood prevention advisors to help identify individual property risks and recommendations to mitigate those risks. A subsidy for a backwater valve, which helps to protect your home from a sewer line back up, is also available.



#### **Book online!**

Book a free flood prevention inspection with one of our advisors online.

Contact us at **floodprevention@epcor.com** or visit **epcor.com/floodprevention** to learn more.

## **SAFETY**

The construction area will be fenced and/or marked as a restricted area. We will take every precaution to ensure public safety, and we request your assistance in keeping children and pets a safe distance from the construction site and the equipment.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we perform this necessary work.

This project is part of EPCOR's Stormwater Integrated Resource Plan (SIRP) and is funded in part by the Government of Canada's Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF).

## OTHER WORK IN YOUR AREA

# Ottewell Road Sewer Upgrades (In progress)

### May 2025 - July 2025

Crews are performing upgrades to the sewer system on Ottewell Road between 94B Avenue and north of 94 Avenue. Crews will be constructing a large stormwater storage pipe underneath Ottewell Road, two new manholes, and three catchbasins and catchbasin leads. Catchbasin leads connect the catchbasins to the existing drainage infrastructure.

# Austin O'Brien Road Sewer Upgrades (In progress)

### May 2025 - November 2025

Crews are performing open trench construction to upgrade the sewer system on Austin O'Brien Road, east of 64 Street.

# **UPCOMING WORK AREAS**

### 94A Avenue Sewer Upgrades

### **July 2025 - November 2025**

Crews will be performing open trench construction to upgrade the sewer system on 94A Avenue and 95 Avenue. More information will be provided to residents in a construction notice prior to work beginning.

# **MORE INFORMATION**

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