

BACKGROUND: LAIRD STATION

Laird Station will be a mined underground station located at the intersection of Laird Drive and Eglinton Avenue East. In addition to its passenger functions, Laird will also be a turnback station and will have special trackwork for LRT operations.

TIMELINE

- Construction of Laird Station began in 2016 with piling and entrance excavation.

KEY FEATURES

- Two station entrances: one at the southwest corner of the intersection and one just east of Laird Drive on the south side of Eglinton Avenue East
- On-street TTC bus connections
- 60 outdoor bicycle parking spaces
- A station plaza and retail spaces at street level in the southwest entrance
- Trackwork that will allow trains to turn around on either side of the station, as well as a storage track on the east side of the station

STATION CONSTRUCTION

- Laird is one of three Crosstown stations being mined: excavation is conducted at the entrance sites, and mining equipment is brought in to excavate the station area laterally underneath the roadway without disturbing traffic above.
- Mining is conducted carefully, progressing just under one metre outward every day.
- To ensure mining stability, the platform level walls and roof are rounded. This shape will be seen from platform level when the line is operational.



Southwest Entrance



Platform Level



Station Interior Feb 2019



Archway Construction March 2019



Mining Progress March 2019

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