

# BILLY BISHOP TORONTO CITY AIRPORT PEDESTRIAN TUNNEL UPDATE

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The Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport pedestrian tunnel continues to make great progress. Read below to learn what's new, what's next and what to expect with this exciting project.

## WHAT'S NEW

A number of the tunnel's final finishes are now being put into place. The glass windows and entranceways in both the mainland pavilion and the island-side atrium have now been installed, the brickwork in the pavilion has been completed, and the majority of the tiling inside the tunnel's interior has been laid. The installation of the escalators and elevators on both sides of the tunnel continues to be a major focus in the tunnel's construction, with the rubber handrails being installed on the escalators in the coming days.

Take a journey inside the tunnel for a sneak peek at the work being done to get the tunnel ready by clicking [here](#).

## WHAT'S NEXT

The pedestrian tunnel is set to open in late spring 2015. The next phase of tunnel construction includes the completion of architectural finishes, elevating devices, removal of the hoarding and completion of the landscaping.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

The use of heavy machinery and deliveries to and from the site are necessary and may result in construction-related noise. However, the primary hours of construction will continue to be scheduled within the operating hours of the airport. During the final phase of the tunnel construction, there have been changes to the ferry loading lanes and passenger drop-off areas that will remain until the opening of the tunnel.

## ABOUT THE PROJECT

The Billy Bishop Airport pedestrian tunnel construction began in March 2012 and is expected to be completed in late spring 2015. The tunnel is being constructed on behalf of PortsToronto using a P3 model with construction partners Forum Equity Partners and PCL. When it is complete the tunnel will offer an efficient and convenient access route for travellers. In addition, the project is facilitating the installation of water and sewer services between the mainland and the Island on behalf of the City of Toronto.

When it opens, the pedestrian tunnel will have four moving sidewalks travelling at 2.3 kilometres per hour. From a bank of six elevators on the mainland side, travellers will descend 100-feet to access the tunnel and travel along the passageway to escalators, which lead to the airport's check-in area. The complete journey will take less than six minutes, and will dramatically improve passenger flows.

For more information on the project, visit [PortsToronto.com](http://PortsToronto.com) or [bbtcatunnelproject.ca](http://bbtcatunnelproject.ca). Follow PortsToronto on Twitter and Facebook for regular updates.

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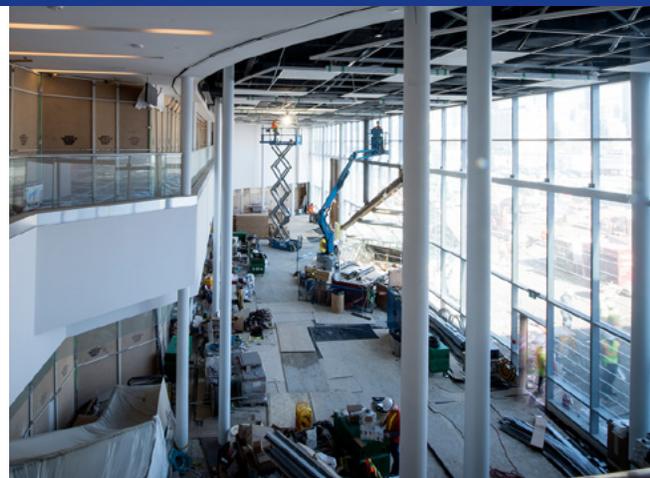
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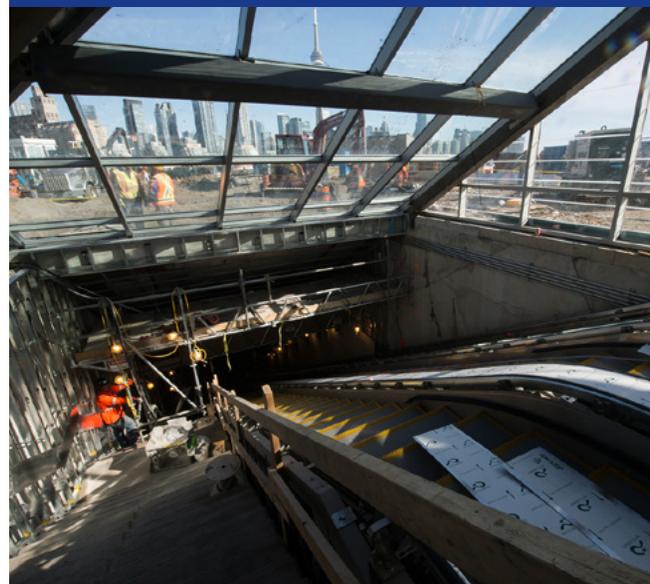
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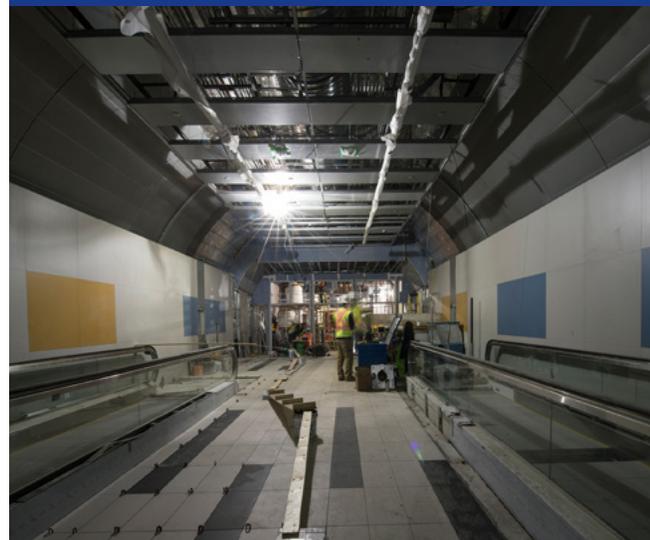
A glimpse inside the island atrium



The escalators in the island-side atrium are nearing completion



Elevator installation is underway



Tiling and architectural finishes are being installed