

Dear U of T community member:

Thank you for signing up to learn more construction updates related to our [Landmark Project](#), one of the most significant open-space projects at the University of Toronto in the past 100 years. While these updates are designed to keep our campus community in the loop about construction activities, we're happy to share the news with anyone who is interested.

We'll start with the obvious: the pandemic has complicated things. The good news is that we are taking advantage of little to no foot traffic on campus and working hard to minimize interruptions and ensure all safety measures are in place now and when normal University activity resumes. Rest assured that we are following the latest advice of government and public health officials as we move forward.

The big update is that drilling has started on the lawn at King's College Circle (KCC) for the planned [geothermal project](#). We anticipate there will be a total of four rigs on campus - big trucks that we'll do our best to keep out of anyone's way. This vertical drilling will last about six months while the entire geothermal project will require about a year to complete. We don't believe drilling should create noise disruption as we've conducted tests during regular academic year/hours previously with no concern being raised at the time. However, we will continue to monitor work and address noise disruptions should they occur.

We'd also like to direct your attention to our new Landmark Updates webspace [utoronto.ca/landmark](https://utoronto.ca/landmark) where you'll find answers to frequently asked questions including who to contact for Landmark developments in your area. For any donor-related questions, please feel free to contact Elaine Grant at [landmark.project@utoronto.ca](mailto:landmark.project@utoronto.ca) or visit [landmark.utoronto.ca](https://landmark.utoronto.ca)

Thanks again for your interest. We'll continue to update you regularly as we transform our downtown campus into one that is greener, more accessible, sustainable and walkable.