

SWIFT UPDATES

CTA Yellow Line Oakton Station in Downtown Skokie Project



New CTA station artist rendering



Preparation work for concrete slab in utility tunnel



Aerial view of utility tunnel

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Construction is underway to bring CTA service to the new CTA Yellow Line Oakton Station in Downtown Skokie. There's already much activity at the site and this monthly newsletter will keep the community informed on its progress.

The project includes north and south station houses with a platform between. There will be entrances from Oakton Street and the upcoming Drop Off-Pick Up Lot at the southwest corner of the Skokie Boulevard/Searle Parkway intersection. The station will have customer assistance kiosks and farecard vending machines. Other features include new signage, bicycle parking and connections to bus service.

What's Been Happening

Currently, excavation work has begun for the utility tunnel at the north and south station houses. Underground plumbing also is in progress as the excavation continues. Bracing for the temporary sheeting is complete and allows excavation work to continue at both station houses.

Work is also underway on the concrete mat slab in the bottom of the tunnel at the north station house. Temporary road installation on the project continues as well.

What's Next

The following activities are expected to begin in the coming weeks:

- Water main work
- Form and pour electrical manholes
- Train signalization
- Concrete pads for electrical and communication huts
- Concrete foundations and piers
- Duct banks for the huts
- Removal of the temporary bracing
- Structural steel installation

The Village of Skokie and project partners are very excited about the construction and look forward to making great progress as the warmer weather begins!

If you have any questions, please contact the Village of Skokie: phone: (847)933-8232 or email: info@skokie.org
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