

# NOTICE TO RESIDENT

## Continuous Welded Rail (CWR) to be installed

April 2016

**VIA Rail Canada Inc. (VIA Rail) is pleased to provide advanced notice to residents that work will begin this summer to replace the bolted rail track with continuous welded rail in several Ottawa communities.**

**WHY:** By welding together the joints in the track, continuous welded rail (CWR) will significantly improve the condition of the railway by providing a smoother track surface.

VIA Rail Canada has informed the City of Ottawa of the work that will be conducted when there are no trains operating on the tracks. Crews will be working progressively along the tracks during the night and will not be staying static behind any one location for an extended period of time, however, VIA Rail Canada apologizes for any inconvenience that may be caused to local residents.

**WHAT:** Specifically the work will include:

- Delivery and distribution of continuous welded rail (CWR) on site by using rail work train;
- Embankment widening;
- Ballast (crushed stone) delivery and unloading;
- Ballast distribution and regulation;
- Rail replacement and joint elimination;
- Track surfacing, rail welding and de-stressing; and
- Pedestrian crossing rehabilitation.

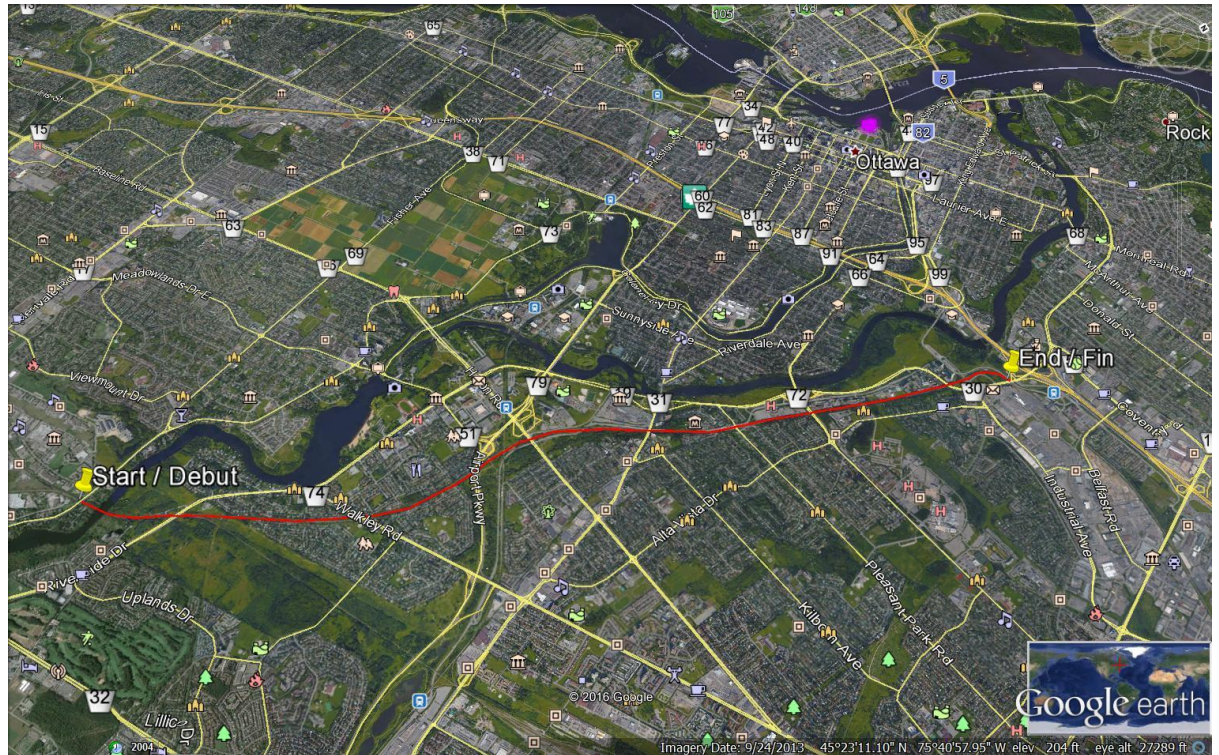
**WHEN:** This work is planned to begin in late May and will progress along the railway to until completion in late September. This timeline is subject to change or adjustment as necessary due to weather and performance of the contractor.

**WHERE:** The work will take place entirely in VIA Rail's right-of-way on the tracks adjacent to residences on the following streets:

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| • Corsica Private  | • Cabot St.                             |
| • San Remo Private | • Lamira St.                            |
| • Riverside Dr.    | • Leslie Ave.                           |
| • Caledon St.      | • Bank St. (near Billings Bridge Plaza) |
| • Dale Ave.        | • Ramsgate Private                      |
| • Abbey Rd.        | • Marble Cres.                          |
| • Norwood Ave.     | • Colman St.                            |
| • Rodney Cres.     |   |

- Sandhurst Ct.
- Flannery Drive
- Walkley Rd.
- Otterson Drive
- Fielding Drive
- Hartman Cres.
- Fielding Ct
- Quesnel Dr.

Figure 1: Installation of Continuous Welded Rail in City of Ottawa



Residents may also be interested to know that work is expected to begin this summer to renovate VIA Rail's Ottawa station on Tremblay Road, including building high level platforms for better accessibility to our trains. For more information about VIA Rail Canada's infrastructure improvements in your area, please visit <http://www.viarail.ca/en/about-via-rail/information-ottawa-area-residents>.

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