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## STOP AND GO ALONG MAIN DRAG



STAFF PHOTO/SJOERD WITTEVEEN

Crews work on widening and improving Main Street in west-end Stouffville Tuesday. The \$9.5-million project, which is being done in three phases, will be complete in 2011.

*Cut gas line, dust, noise hurt restaurants' business*

## Main St. under construction through 2011

BY ALYSHIA HIGGINS

Getting tired of seeing dump trucks, excavators and torn-up pavement on your main drag?

Get used to it.

The re-development of Main Street in west-end Stouffville isn't slated for completion until 2011.

The project is in the first of three phases and everything is going according to plan, said Dave Cash, the town's chief administrative officer.

The project will cost \$9.5 million, with 85 per cent paid by devel-

opment charges.

The first, and longest, phase includes Main from Winona Drive, from just west of Nine Line to just east of Hwy. 48. The road is being widened to four lanes and will boast new sidewalks, boulevards, medians and synchronized traffic signals when completed.

Asphalt should be laid by December with the final asphalt, trees and sod in next spring.

"A key benefit will be up-to-date storm water drainage systems to

better manage the water quantity and quality," Mr. Cash said.

Phase two will involve the reconstruction and widening of the Main Street and Hwy. 48 intersection at Ringwood. The region will also be widening Stouffville Road right to Hwy. 404 at the same time.

The final phase will involve lining up the north and south sections of Ninth Line and removing the jog at Main Street.

Despite the obvious inconveniences of the major project, the

end result will be worth it, Mr. Cash said.

"We're looking forward to a really nice product when we're finished," he said.

Business owners have not expressed concerns about the construction to the chamber and commends the town for its efforts in keeping disturbances to a minimum, Helene Johnson, president of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Chamber of Commerce, said.

"I noticed they're spraying (Main

Street) with water to keep the dust down and a two-way traffic flow is being kept along Main Street," she added. "I think the town is trying very hard to keep everything in check."

Shoeless Joe's co-owner D Dimoski isn't as upbeat.

"I'm extremely unhappy with the construction," he said.

The restaurant's gas line was cut off for a couple hours during dinner time last week he said, and the

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