

Bridging to Tomorrow Update (January 25, 2016)

North Commuter Parkway Construction Update

Residents and business owners in Saskatoon's industrial area may notice an unpleasant odour in the air starting Tuesday, January 26 and lasting about 11 days.

Graham Commuter Partners, the company the City contracted to undertake the Bridging to Tomorrow Project, is beginning an environmental remediation (excavation and removal of contaminated earth) of the land along the proposed project area, which the City recently bought for the project.

The Bridging to Tomorrow initiative includes the construction of the North Commuter Parkway and Bridge and the new Traffic Bridge, both of which will provide significant benefits to the citizens of Saskatoon and the province. For more information, visit <u>Saskatoon.ca/bridging</u>.

Why is the clean-up needed?

During the 1960s and 1970s, this small area was used as a landfill. The earth-covered waste material is primarily tallow (animal fats). The removal and replacement will ensure the soil meets the new Saskatchewan Environmental Code Standards.

Is the odour harmful?

The work may be stinky, but it's not harmful. The City will monitor the area and work with GCP to ensure all reasonable controls are in place to control the odour as much as possible.

If residents have questions or concerns, they may call GCP's information line at 1-877-800-0138.

Safety Reminder:

Residents are reminded to please comply with posted signage and construction fencing designed to maintain a safe perimeter around the construction area.