

New Durham Region Park and Ride and Carpool Lot Opens

Three Hundred and Thirty Four Parking Spots Now Available

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The governments of Canada and Ontario, along with Metrolinx, announced the opening of a new park and ride and carpool lot on Brock Road at Highway 407 in Pickering, making it easier for commuters to take transit in Durham Region.

Beginning February 9th, this new lot will provide commuters with 334 parking spaces as well as a pick-up and drop-off area. In addition, GO bus route 51B (Pickering/York University) and route 52 (Oshawa/York University) will serve the lot, giving commuters a quick and easy way to share their ride and connect to GO Transit.

The \$7-million project was funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of Ontario through the GO Transit Improvement Program, a joint investment by the federal and provincial governments to support the expansion of GO Transit bus and rail services in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area, the Niagara Region and the Waterloo Region. Canada and Ontario each contributed \$2.215 million, with the remainder funded by the Ontario government through Metrolinx.

QUOTES

“Safe and reliable public transit makes communities livable, sustainable and prosperous. This park and ride and carpool lot will provide commuters, students and families with better access to public transit and encourage carpooling which will help reduce traffic congestion across the region.”

— Jennifer O’Connell, MP for Pickering–Uxbridge, on behalf of the Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities

“The new park and ride and carpool lot at Highway 407 and Brock Road will make the daily commute and quality of life better for commuters. Commuters will be able to carpool and hop onto GO Transit buses to get where they need to go faster.”

— Joe Dickson, MPP for Ajax-Pickering

“We’re bringing GO bus service to this new park and ride lot to help people in Durham move throughout the region. We are committed to making improvements like this to make it easier for people to connect to transit, when and where they need it.”

— Greg Percy, President of GO Transit

QUICK FACTS

- There are approximately 100 park and ride and carpool lots at highway interchanges across the province.
- Since 2003, Ontario has extended GO’s rail network by nearly 90 kilometres, opened 14 new GO stations, rebuilt four existing stations, and added more than 31,000 new parking spots across the system.
- Research shows that every \$100 million of public infrastructure investment in Ontario boosts GDP by \$114 million, particularly in construction and manufacturing sectors.

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