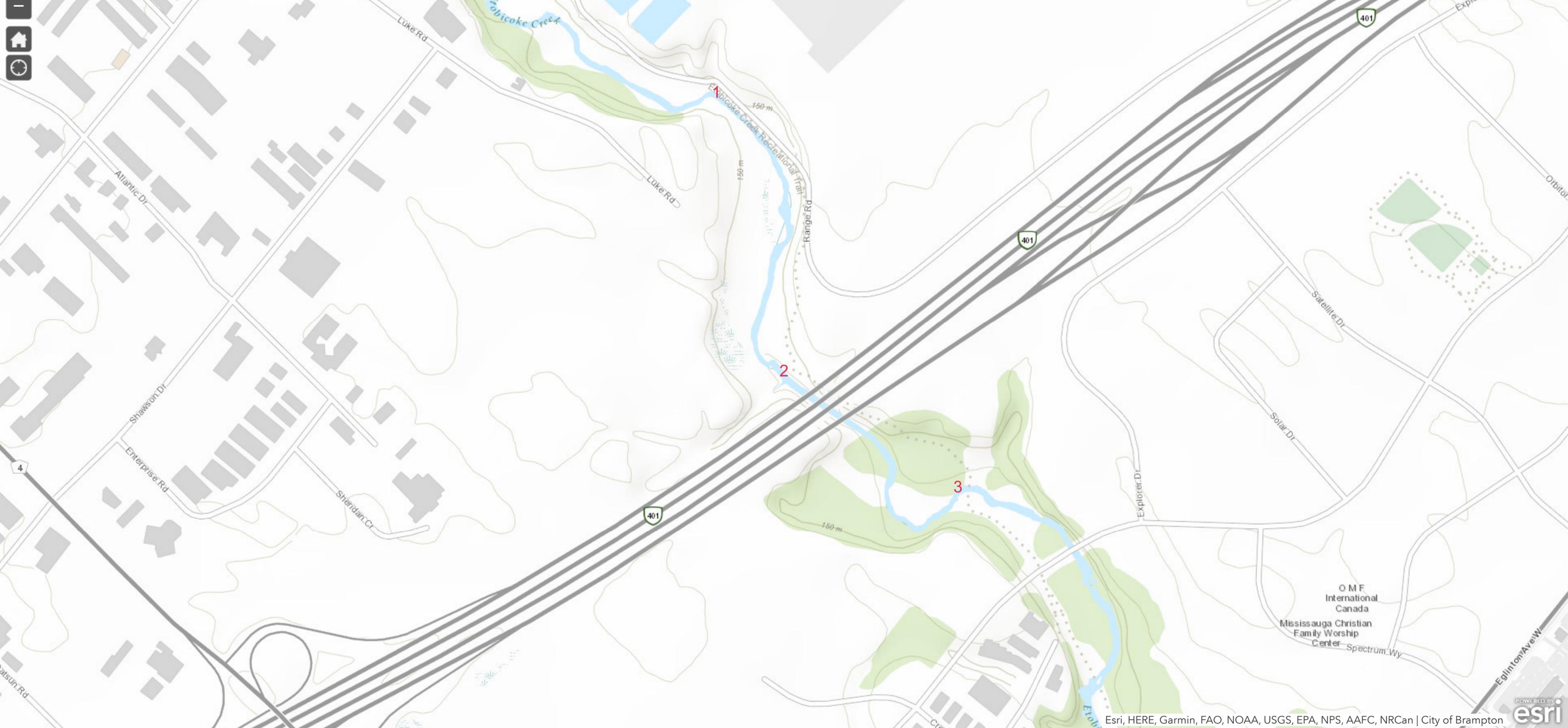


# **Etobicoke Creek Trail Damage**

**Damage sustained to the Etobicoke Creek Trail in Mississauga from the storm event of July 16th, 2024.**

**On July 16th, 2024, a localized rain event hit Mississauga. It was characterized by a large amount of rain, in a short amount of time. Storm sewer systems were overwhelmed, in certain areas. Damage was sustained in three areas of the Etobicoke Creek Trail, near the Highway 401 underpass. These areas are in the process of being repaired.**

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**Location #1**  
**Asphalt path surface**  
**damaged and foundation**  
**gravel compromised. Gravel**  
**washed on to pathway.**



## **Location #2**

**Rock avalanche from rebuilt ravine, the airport south runway storm water drainage channel. A pathway had been cleared through the rubble, by trail users.**



# **Location #3**

**Large tree uprooted and washed down the creek to impact the bridge abutment.**



Hello Stephen,

Thank you for your e-mail to the City of Mississauga.

Thank you for reaching out and bringing forward concerns following Tuesday July 16th significant rainfall/storm. Our Parks team is currently assessing the damage and prioritizing city-wide clean-up and repairs based on severity. At this stage, we are still determining the full extent of the destruction and unfortunately do not have specific timelines for the clean-up efforts. We understand that residents are understandably concerned about specific areas, and we are committed to addressing these concerns as we prioritize sites across the city.

For other questions or concerns, please reply back or call 3-1-1 (905-615-4311 outside city limits) Monday to Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and provide your service request number (if applicable).

Sincerely,



**David**

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- **Name:** Stephen Laidlaw

# Progress

## October 26th, 2024 Trail Visit

- This visit to the Etobicoke Creek Trail showed significant progress.
- The bridge at location #3 was reopened, with the 50 foot tree still wedged against it.



# Rock Slide

## Location #2

- The rocks had been moved off the trail by heavy equipment and returned to the airport south runway storm runoff channel.



# Rock Slide

## Location #2

- The south runway stormwater drainage channel.
- Work still in progress.



# Work Remaining

- The main airport runway drainage channel, near location #1 is being rebuilt, resulting in trail closure.
- Work was ongoing as of October 26th, 2024, so should be completed soon.



# Work Remaining

## Trail surface and foundation repair.

- This is a look at location #1, in a northerly direction.
- My assumption is that the Mississauga 311 response was referring to this general area.



# Setback.

**November 15th, 2024 visit.**

- A new closure of the trail was instituted when it was found that subterranean erosion was continuing at location #1.
- The erosion was on both sides of a drainage pipe that ran under both the roadway and the path. This has compromised the substantial retaining wall that supports the west side of the path.



# Conclusion

## The importance of recreational trails.

- I visited the trail six times to check on the repair progress.
- Every time, I encountered a number of people who were still using the semi closed sections.
- This trail was very important to them, with some using it daily.
- Some patrons shifted hundreds of pounds of rock, to make a path through the avalanche section.
- A durable, timely repair is recommended for this valuable resource.

