

Bowmanville Hospital Community Update



Lakeridge
Health



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TEMPORARY HELIPAD SITE

We are pleased to provide the following update on the Bowmanville Hospital's helipad.

For over 30 years, the Bowmanville Hospital's helipad has been used to urgently transfer critically ill patients by helicopter from the hospital to other acute care facilities. Access to air ambulance transport is an essential part of delivering health care services to the Clarington community.

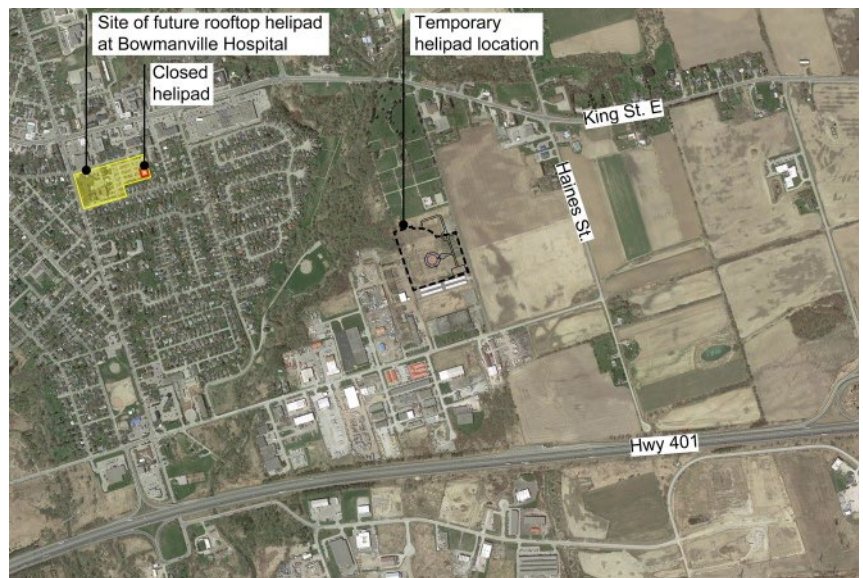


In September 2018, the hospital's helipad ceased operations due to safety concerns. Since that time, Lakeridge Health has been working with ORNGE Air Ambulance Service, along with municipal, provincial, and federal government partners on securing a location, funding, and capital approvals for a temporary heliport site in Bowmanville. This temporary site will accommodate emergency air transportation until a permanent rooftop helipad is completed as part of the Bowmanville Hospital redevelopment plan. Throughout this process we have been guided by feedback from our community partners and members of the local community.

Site Location

In January 2021, the Ministry of Health announced funding to move forward with the development of a temporary heliport site. A property on Haines Street, a five-minute drive from the hospital, has been identified as the location by the Municipality of Clarington and endorsed by the Ministry of Health.

The site is located in an open field on the west side of Haines Street, east of Soper Creek Forest, south of the Bowmanville Cemetery, and north of existing warehousing. This site is within the municipality's existing 'General Industrial' land use designation.



A feasibility assessment has ensured the site meets all safety requirements and technical standards for both ORNGE and Transport Canada. The heliport will be operated by Lakeridge Health and will be used exclusively to accommodate emergency medical air transportation by helicopter to and from the Bowmanville Hospital. Helicopters may approach or depart the heliport in any direction depending on weather conditions.

Construction Timing

Construction is scheduled to begin in July 2021 and is expected to be completed in October 2021.

Please Provide Feedback by April 16, 2021

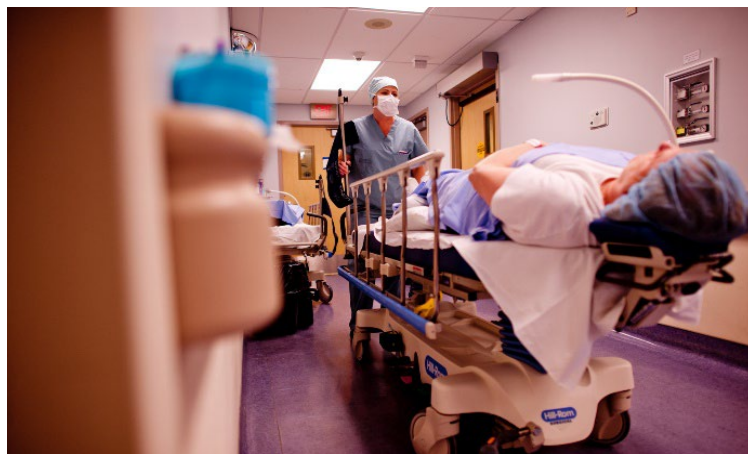
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Thank you for your interest and support of continuing access to critical emergency air transport of patients in the Clarington community and beyond.