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\$27M waterfront improvements begin this summer – Upgrades along Hwy19A ready to roll

An extensive, three-year renewal project begins this summer in Campbell River to deliver major upgrades to the waterfront corridor along Highway 19A from Rockland Road to the Maritime Heritage Centre.

These waterfront improvements include three key upgrades: updating the waterfront sewer line between Rockland Road and the Maritime Heritage Centre, a rebuild of the Big Rock Boat Ramp and completing the next phase of Highway 19A improvements.

"This work will bring a number of long-term benefits to Campbell River," says Mayor Andy Adams. "We now have the funding to move forward with these related projects, and we've coordinated the timing to maximize efficiencies and minimize disruption as we upgrade our highway and sewer infrastructure. We look forward to the finished results, which will greatly improve the livability of our city."

While planning has been underway for some time, residents will see construction get started at the beginning of this summer, particularly between 1st Avenue and the Maritime Heritage Centre and at the Big Rock Boat Ramp. The first phase of construction work is expected to go out to tender shortly.

For the waterfront sewer work, which will begin this summer, significant excavation will be required to lay the new gravity-fed sewer and related utilities. While two-way traffic is intended to be maintained in 2018, the project work will inevitably cause disruption to traffic, parking, and in some areas, property along the route. The project team is reaching out to people who will be directly affected by changes to traffic – and updates will be shared with everyone on the project webpage, via social media, published notices, news stories and more.

"This summer's work sets us up for the more extensive work scheduled for 2020, which will require closures along the highway," says Ron Neufeld, deputy city manager. "The project team will be working hard to help everyone know what's happening when and where and how to move efficiently around the project area over the next three years."

For more information on the projects and what's to come, visit www.campbellriver.ca/construction

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