

# WATERFRONT PROJECT 2018–2020

MARCH 2021 UPDATE – NEWS BULLETIN 25



BC Hydro crews prepare connections for the new underground lines.

## FINAL SPRINT ON HIGHWAY UPGRADES NOW UNDERWAY

### CREWS BEGIN MOVING SERVICES UNDERGROUND

The first of March was the first day back for crews on Highway 19A – and work is already rolling on the final task list for the critical upgrade work underway.

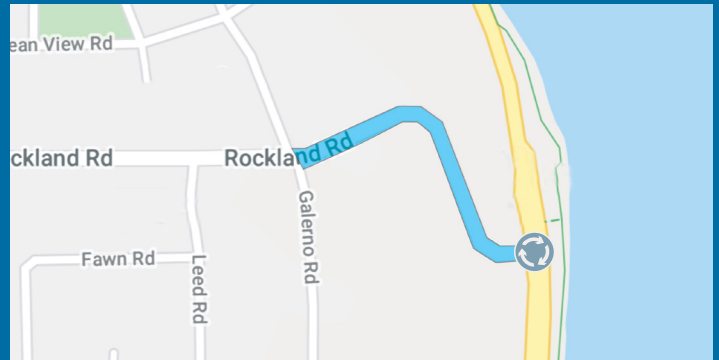
With underground services installed last year, this year's work will be focused aboveground, with no road excavation required. Crews from service providers such as BC Hydro and Telus are already on site running new lines into already-installed underground ducting, and preparing the official switchover from the overhead powerlines.

As that's completed, prime contractor Wacor will be managing a suite of other finishing tasks: from final road works to electrical connections at each home, to landscaping. The near-final step will be the second lift of pavement on the road, and painting of road lines.

Work is expected to be complete in August.

#### HERE'S A FEW UPDATES ABOUT MOVING THROUGH THE AREA:

- **Two-lane traffic largely maintained:** There will largely be two-lanes of traffic maintained as most work is to the side of lanes or off of



## ROCKLAND ROAD CLOSED MARCH 22

The finishing work to be completed on Highway 19A this year requires the coordination of a number of different services and contractors in a limited space and without ongoing lane closures on the highway. In order to provide the room the contractor needs to complete this work safely, Rockland Road will be closed as of March 22, until the end of construction (est. August). The closure will reduce points of conflict, particularly due to pedestrians being rerouted to the sidewalk on the west side of the highway where seawalk work needs to be completed.

Thank you for your patience during this process.

roadway. Single-lane alternating can still pop up intermittently and drivers should remain attentive to changing conditions.

- **Pedestrian Traffic:** Seawalk users will be rerouted to the west side of the highway (new sidewalk) when work around the seawalk – and final paving of the unfinished portion – is underway.
- **Rockland Road Closure:** In order to reduce potential conflicts through the roundabout area with multiple services providers, Rockland Road will be closed March 22 to the end of construction. See above sidebar.

Watch the City's website, social media accounts, and these newsletters for continued updates in the coming months.



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## NEW CONCRETE ENCLOSURES PROTECT CRITICAL SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE

Crews working on the Waterfront Sewer project have now installed key infrastructure at three lift stations along the route – and the enclosures required to protect them are an example of what is required to prepare for sea level rise in our community.

The concrete structures at lift stations 5 and 6 (near the former Travelodge and on a beach access north of the Big Rock Boat Ramp) will protect the lift station emergency generators from temporary sea water inundation as the effects of sea level rise begin to be felt along the waterfront roadway. Each has a fronting facing the roadway to provide access.

The project team is looking to finish the structures both to improve their appearance and prevent damage from vandalism. Work on three lift stations is progressing well and the contractor is on track to complete this work in May.



## BUSY CONSTRUCTION SEASON

The increased activity on the Highway 19A Upgrades project is just one area where construction will impact traffic flow in Campbell River this summer. Residents should also be prepared for traffic delays on Hilchey as a watermain replacement project restarts, and other areas. Where possible, drivers should consider using alternate routes along Dogwood, Alder and the Inland Island Highway. Thank you for reducing your speed through the construction zone and following the directions of traffic control personnel.

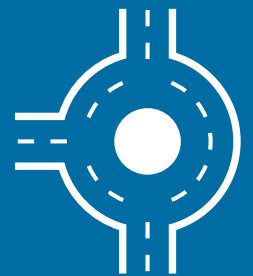


## QUICK QUESTION Answering frequently-asked questions about the project

**Q:** Should I use a turn signal when driving through the roundabout?

**A:** In short – yes. Your turn signal will let drivers behind you know your planned route, and will let those waiting to enter the circle, know when you're exiting. Here are ICBC's guidelines on turn signal use in roundabouts:

- **If turning right:** Signal right on your approach to the roundabout, and continuously signal right until the right turn is complete. This applies when travelling south with intent to turn up Rockland, or when entering from Rockland and wanting to head south.
- **If driving straight through:** You don't need to signal when entering the roundabout – but right-hand signal should be used when exiting.
- **If turning left:** Signal left on approach to the roundabout, and continuously signal left until approaching the exit. Signal right to exit.



## KEEPING YOU INFORMED

The City is committed to updating area residents as the work moves forward. We will contact people or property owners who will be directly affected by construction.

To subscribe to an email list for project updates, send a message to: [capitalprojects@campbellriver.ca](mailto:capitalprojects@campbellriver.ca)

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