

WATERFRONT PROJECT 2018-2020

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WATERFRONT UPGRADES BRING FRESH NEW LOOK TIME TO CELEBRATE PROJECT COMPLETION!

It's time to celebrate the end of major construction on the City of Campbell River's Waterfront Upgrades Project. This past month saw the last bit of work on landscaping, fencing, finishing concrete and paving along sections of roads and the seawalk. The project is now considered officially complete – coming in on time and on budget.

The Upgrades on Highway 19A began in 2019 and included new water, sewer and storm services, undergrounding of electrical lines, construction of new curbs and medians, installation of the Rockland roundabout, paving along pathways and roads from Simms Creek to Big Rock Boat Ramp. This work – Phase 3 of the Highway 19A Upgrades Project - was supported by \$6.43M of grants from the Government of Canada and BC's New Building Canada - Small Communities Fund.

The upgrades on Highway 19A were a part of a larger umbrella project that started in 2018 and included sewer upgrades from Maritime Heritage Centre to Simms Creek, three new lift stations and the improvements to the Big Rock Boat Ramp.

Despite navigating a number of challenges, including – most significantly – COVID-19, crews were able to complete the work on schedule while staying within the allocated budget. It's a significant accomplishment.

There is some final deficiency work that will be wrapped up in the coming few weeks. The centre feature of the roundabout – a separate project from the construction of the roundabout included in this work – will be constructed in 2022.

Learn more about the project at campbellriver.ca/construction.



COMMUNITY BENEFIT: (from left) Coun. Colleen Evans, Mayor Andy Adams and Coun. Ron Kerr visit the finished seawalk area to celebrate the completion of the Upgrades project.



SMOOTH RIDE: Final paving gives the area a polished look while providing dedicated bicycle lanes.



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THEN AND NOW

Standing south of the Big Rock these two pictures from the same view show how far an area can come in two years!



Aug. 2019: New larger sewer pipe is installed through the construction zone. New water and storm services were also installed. Park area is unfinished gravel shoulder with no seawalk and two lane traffic.



Aug. 2021: With all new underground services the aboveground area sees large improvements – centre medians and turn lanes, powerlines moved underground, properly landscaped park area, finished seawalk, cycling lanes, westside sidewalk.



QUICK QUESTION

Answering frequently-asked questions about the project

Q: When will the next phase of the Highway 19A Upgrades project start?

A: The city of Campbell River knows that the public is eager to see a continuation of these improvements including undergrounding of power lines and improved transportation infrastructure to extend north to 1st Avenue. Council and staff are looking into grant opportunities to continue improvements but there are no plans for upgrades to get underway right away. To stay updated please visit campbellriver.ca/construction.

FINAL TOUCHES

Since last month, a lot has been accomplished in the project area – and while the work is essentially complete, people in the area may still be able to spot a few crews in the area wrapping up on final touches. These include:

-  Finishing landscaping – including hydroseeding
-  Installation of park furniture (benches, picnic tables)
-  Completion of property restoration with homes in the area
-  Finish installation of street signage
-  Roundabout Centre Feature (estimated Spring 2022)

Thank you!

THANK YOU AND GOODBYE FOR NOW!

The City of Campbell River would like to thank everyone for their patience during the final phase of the Waterfront Upgrades Project. As work winds down, we will no longer be sending out these monthly news bulletins. If necessary, we will keep you updated about any final changes on the city's website and social media. We appreciate all your feedback throughout this project. We are confident that these important improvements to the city will be enjoyed by the public for years to come.

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

This is the city's final monthly newsletter on the project. Thank you for following along.

Any outstanding questions can be sent to: capitalprojects@campbellriver.ca

For more information, please visit: campbellriver.ca/construction



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