

# WATERFRONT PROJECT 2018-2020

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## SHORELINE PROTECTION WORK NOW UNDERWAY

### BEACH ARMOUR WILL HELP PROTECT INFRASTRUCTURE IN FUTURE

City of Campbell River residents are starting to get a peek at the changes to come along the oceanfront thanks to the Highway 19A Upgrades project.

The work, which started between Rockland Road and the Big Rock Boat Ramp in June, will include significant underground servicing upgrades, as well as improvements to the roadway such as widening (with added turn lane), new sidewalks, cycling lane, parks, parking and lookout at the Big Rock.

To ensure infrastructure – both above and below ground – is protected from rising ocean levels, the shoreline from Big Rock and Rockland Road is receiving additional armouring, and the road level is being raised. Crews in the area are working on the rock armouring right now – installing large rip rap along the shoreline – and building a retaining wall.

The new road structure will start becoming visible in mid-October, including the general outline of the new roundabout at Rockland Road.

#### Sanitary/Storm Pipes Installed

The sewer and storm forcemains have now been installed throughout the roughly 1-kilometre stretch, with connections to the individual properties being completed now. In the coming weeks, crews will begin the underground work related to all of the overhead services – a key outcome to this project is the removal of all overhead powerlines, and installing the infrastructure so that those can be transferred below ground will be the next step.



A retaining wall at the foot of Rockland Road will protect the roadway from rising ocean levels.

#### Keep in Touch

Updates about the project progress are shared using this newsletter and our webpages and social media accounts ([www.campbellriver.ca/construction](http://www.campbellriver.ca/construction), and [City of Campbell River – City Hall](#) on Facebook). Please contact us if you have any questions.

Want to see us in person? We had good interest in our pop-up information booth hosted in June at Rotary Daybreak Park. Let us know if you think this is a helpful way to connect with the project team, and whether we should do it again! Message us at [capitalprojects@campbellriver.ca](mailto:capitalprojects@campbellriver.ca)

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## PUMP STATION WORK SET TO PROCEED

The final steps of the Waterfront Sewer Project work have been given the green light to move forward.

At their Aug. 17 meeting, City of Campbell River council approved the contract award for three lift (pump) stations between Big Rock Boat Ramp and Anchor Inn. Knappett Industries was awarded the construction contract for \$2.192 million.

The installation of the sewer forcemain was completed in spring this year, and crews will now look to upgrade Lift Stations, 4, 5 and 6. Lift Station 4 is on the property of the Anchor Inn. Lift Stations 5 and 6 are between Rotary Beach Park and the Big Rock Boat Ramp and will be installed on right of ways on the east side of the road.

These lift stations are primarily underground, with limited infrastructure visible on the surface. Specialty chambers have been selected, to ensure the protection of the infrastructure considering rising ocean levels in the area – an example of the City's ongoing planning that considers the impacts of climate change.

Construction is expected to begin in September and will be largely off of roadways. Two-lane traffic will always be maintained. The project's preliminary schedule will see it completed in April 2021.



## QUICK QUESTION

Answering frequently-asked questions about the project:

**Q:** Why is a roundabout being installed at Rockland Road?

**A:** Increased traffic throughout Campbell River has increased the safety hazards at some key intersections. The intersection at Highway 19A and Rockland Road has been identified as a location that needs an additional traffic management tool to maintain flow while improving safety for all transportation. After assessment, installation of a roundabout was recommended for this location because they have the least impact on traffic flow, while still improving traffic management and safety. Roundabouts can offer many benefits, including: Improving safety for all road users, reducing speed, which results in reduced number and severity of crashes, reducing traffic noise and vehicle emissions compared to traditional signalized intersections and lower construction and operations/maintenance cost compared to traffic lights.

More information at [campbellriver.ca/roundabouts](http://campbellriver.ca/roundabouts)



## TRAFFIC REMINDER

Despite the tight construction zone and unfinished road surface, the project team continues to report significant amounts of speeding through the construction area. Please respect the 30 km/h speed limit – it is in place to keep drivers and workers safe. Along with a high level of activity in the area, there are also uneven road conditions, narrowed lanes and moving equipment to navigate.

RCMP have released reminders that the minimum fine for speeding in a work zone is \$196 and points on your license. Slow down in the cone zone!

## 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.

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