

NEWS RELEASE

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Road paving season is now upon us

Drivers advised to watch for construction signs and road crews

Summary

One advantage of the mild winter this year is Nanaimo is able to get an early start to the asphalt paving season. Through the City's annual Road Rehabilitation Program, the following roads are scheduled to be paved between March and May this year:

- · Bowen Road between Caspers Way and East Wellington Road
- Pryde and Bush Street between White Street and Townsite Road
- Nanaimo Lakes Road between Lincoln Road and Harewood Mines Road
- Bruce Avenue between Fourth Street and Albion Street
- Vancouver Avenue between Townsite Road and Cypress Street
- Young Road

Paving is weather sensitive so schedules will change. Traffic delays can be expected, but as a minimum, single lane alternating traffic will be maintained at all times. Sign boards will be posted on major roads to advise commuters in advance of the exact dates for the work. Residents and businesses fronting the paving locations will receive written project notices.

Strategic Link: The City's Road Rehabilitation Program supports the City of Nanaimo's commitment to asset management. The additional bike lanes added to the Bush/Pryde paving project also support the City of Nanaimo's commitment to improved transportation and mobility.

Key Points

- Drivers are urged to use extra caution when driving through construction zones; be aware of on-site workers;
 obey posted construction signs; and follow the directions of traffic control personnel.
- Local businesses in construction zones are always accessible and open for business.
- To get to your destination on time, commuters on affected routes are encouraged to leave a few minutes early or find an alternate route.

Quotes

"Nanaimo's Road Rehabilitation Program continues to maintain Nanaimo's roads and extend their service life. The City thanks residents and commuters for their patience and cooperation when driving through the paving construction sites."

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