

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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# Delays expected along Northfield Road between Bowen Road and Parkway

Motorist advised to plan alternative routes

## **Summary**

Motorists travelling along Northfield Road between Bowen Road and the Nanaimo Parkway are advised to plan ahead. Rock blasting associated with the construction of a new Mid Island Co-op Card Lock gas bar is scheduled to occur between July 23rd to August 14th at the southwest corner of Northfield and Boxwood Roads. For worker and general public safety, short duration closures of Northfield Road are required while the blasting work is underway.

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## **Key Points**

- From July 23 to August 14, Monday to Friday, between the hours of 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, (1:00 pm on Friday) the southbound left turn lane from Highway 19 to Northfield Road will be closed. Traffic should choose alternate routes during this time.
- Temporary closures of Northfield Road between Highway 19 and Boxwood Road are anticipated around 9:30 am, 12:30 pm and 2:30 pm. Up to 10 minute delays are expected.
- Drivers are asked to allow extra time for their commute and to obey all construction signage and traffic control personnel.

### Quotes

"This section of Northfield Road is a critical transportation link within the City of Nanaimo. An extensive amount of planning has taken place to minimize the impacts of these short term road closures."

Stephen Ricketts Construction Manager City of Nanaimo

"Closing the road is the only way to remove this rock safely. Every effort will be made to minimize the duration of each closure and to keep traffic moving."

Geoff Schulson Project Manager IWCE

### **Quick Facts**

 The traffic management plan was developed by Opus Engineering in consultation with the City of Nanaimo and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

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