

NEWS RELEASE

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Construction Season Now in Full Swing

Summary

Construction season in Nanaimo is underway. There are a number of City of Nanaimo projects already started, with more projects to start in the coming months. The following routes are currently affected:

- From May to September, water main and sewer replacements coinciding with the addition of a bike lane along Bruce Avenue from 5th to 7th Street. Temporary detours and single lane alternating traffic can be expected.
- From June to July, a new sidewalk will be installed on the southerly side of Hammond Bay Road between Tom's Turnabout and Dunn Place along with a new pedestrian activated warning flasher at the existing Hammond Bay Road crosswalk on the west side of Entwhistle Road. Following the sidewalk construction, this section of Hammond Bay Road will get repayed. Single lane alternating traffic can be expected.
- From May to August, water main replacement will affect Jingle Pot Road from Westwood Road to Harwell Road, Harwell Road from Jingle Pot Road to Woodthrush Place, and Westwood Road from Jingle Pot to Arbot Road. Single lane alternating traffic can be expected. To lessen the impacts for Westwood Lake Park users, work on Westwood Road will be completed in June.

Strategic Link: The water and sewer projects support the City of Nanaimo's commitment to asset management. The sidewalk and bike lane improvements 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

"The variety of construction projects around Nanaimo this year will help to sustain the City's infrastructure for the future. The City thanks residents and commuters for their patience and cooperation during construction season."

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