

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Work to Begin on Northfield/Boundary/Highway 19A Intersection

*Drivers are advised of delays and traffic pattern changes*

#### Summary

Construction on the intersections of Northfield Road/Boundary Avenue and Highway 19A/Northfield Road is set to begin early 2018. Working in partnership with the Ministry of Transportation, the City of Nanaimo has developed a design for roadway improvements to the intersections with the goal of making it safer for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. Commuters should expect traffic patterns to change throughout construction, are advised to use care and encouraged to consider alternate routes.

*Strategic Link: n/a*

#### Key Points

- Work on Highway 19A is anticipated to be complete by June 30 and work on Northfield Road and Boundary Avenue is anticipated to be complete by December 2018.
- The City of Nanaimo and the Ministry of Transportation have agreed to evenly share the costs of the project.
- Drivers are advised that while the intersection may be more efficient after construction is completed, significant increases in traffic capacity are not expected. The focus of the project is to create a safer intersection for all users of the road.

#### Quotes

"We are anticipating this project to be completed in phases throughout the year and will keep the public informed of its progress. Commuters should expect that traffic patterns will change frequently as the project moves through different phases of construction and use care when going through the construction zone."

Mike Strain  
Construction Project Manager  
City of Nanaimo

#### Quick Facts

- The intersections of Northfield Road/Boundary Avenue and Highway 19A/Northfield Road has long been an area of concern due to the high number of vehicle collisions.

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