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You are receiving this email because you signed up to receive updates about the Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project.

Preparation for construction continues

Last month, we completed in-water geotechnical work. This month, preparation for construction continues with surveys, inspections, and site visits. This will include setting up staging areas for construction as well as investigative geotechnical work to inform the detailed design.

Pictured right: a "drill rig" used for taking samples of the earth for geotechnical work to help inform construction plans. By taking samples, we can find out whether the ground is soft or hard, and plan in advance to work with the right equipment.

What to expect:
We will continue on-terminal geotechnical work. Workers will be drilling test holes to provide information that will support the final detailed design for the project.

Hours of work:
Monday to Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Work times may extend beyond these hours if needed. If this is the case, stakeholders will be notified.
**Anticipated traffic impacts:**
Traffic is not anticipated to be affected.

**Port traffic detours anticipated to start this May**

In coordination with work happening for the Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project, the port authority will be doing upgrades to the Clark Drive overpass.

Detours to accommodate the upgrades are anticipated to begin as early as the first week of June.

**Port road users can expect the following changes to traffic patterns:**

- Clark Drive overpass will be CLOSED as an entrance to port lands, except to emergency vehicles.
- Clark Drive overpass will remain open as an exit from port lands.

**Alternate routes to enter the South Shore:**

- Commercial vehicle traffic (container trucks, dump trucks) required to enter via Commissioner Street.
- Passenger and service vehicle traffic (courier vans, catering trucks, non-industrial vehicles) may enter from Commissioner Street or use the Heatley Avenue overpass.

Additional details and a formal start date will be provided in future updates. Further details on truck rerouting will be provided through the **PortVan EHub app under “Notifications”**. Download the PortVan eHub app for iPhone or Android in the app store.

Residents and businesses along Hastings, Powell, Dundas, Nanaimo and McGill are likely to notice an increase in commercial vehicle traffic for the duration of these projects.

We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding while we undertake this important work.
Local jobs

We are committed to maximizing positive opportunities for residents and businesses from the Downtown Eastside, Strathcona, and Railtown. The project is anticipated to create 350 full-time equivalent jobs per year during construction period.

In addition to job opportunities during construction, we anticipate that once work is complete there will be:

- 800-900 new jobs for ongoing operations related to the expansion
- 1,700-1,900 jobs estimated to be created in the greater port economy (logistics, supply chain, transloading, distribution)

More information about employment and subcontractor opportunities will be shared in future updates.

About the projects

The Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project are being completed to help meet anticipated near-term demand for containers shipped through the Port of Vancouver. The project includes a new overpass for Centennial Road, making Waterfront Road a continuous road along the South Shore, and a reconfiguration and expansion of the Centerm terminal.

The project is being delivered by Centennial Expansion Partners (CXP) and is anticipated to be complete by end of 2021.

Interested in seeing the full construction schedule?

Download the construction activities and timelines PDF

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