



Centerm Expansion Project

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July 2020

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

What to expect this month

This month, work in the water and on terminal continues.

Pictured: West end dykes breaking through the water's surface in the western expansion area.



Road work - Where to enter the port

Commissioner Street entrance

- Open to Port Pass holders driving passenger vehicles
- Open to all commercial straight trucks
- All semi-trailers must enter at Commissioner Street off McGill Street

Clark Drive overpass

- Entrance for visitors without Port Passes (relocated from Heatley Avenue)

- Open to Port Pass holders with commercial straight trucks with destinations East of Rogers Street. All others must enter via Commissioner Street.
- Open to Port Pass holders driving passenger vehicles
- Closed to semi-trailer and container trucks

Heatley Avenue overpass

- Open to Port Pass holders driving passenger vehicles. Access to DPW, CXP Office, VFPA maintenance facility (no access to Lantic/Rogers Street)
- Closed to semi-trailers, regardless of access permissions. Please use Commissioner Street entrance
- All traffic west of VFPA maintenance facility, including container trucks, must exit via Heatley Avenue

Marine work

Infilling is continuing this month at the west end dykes 24 hours a day, six days a week (Monday to Saturday, with Sunday being the off-day). This work is expected to be completed by the fall. Work on the northeast dyke is almost complete.

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Centennial Road detour starts July 12



Starting on July 12 we will be changing traffic patterns on port roads to give us enough space to build the new Centennial Road overpass, while allowing trains to continue to run.

For the next six months, all port traffic travelling west of Rogers Sugar will be required to exit the port via the Heatley overpass. This includes truck traffic from Centerm.

Residents and businesses along Hastings Street, Powell Street, Dundas Street, Nanaimo Street and McGill Street are likely to notice an increase in truck traffic for the duration of this work.

We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding as we do these important upgrades to port roadways.

To help manage traffic impacts in the area, we will be:

- Adjusting traffic signal timing on Heatley Avenue to reduce truck congestion
- Removing southbound parking at Heatley Avenue to allow trucks to turn
- Installing signage to ensure truck drivers follow appropriate truck routes
- Using traffic control personnel to manage traffic

All trucks working at the port must take part of our ongoing **truck licensing system**, we manage and reduce pollution and greenhouse emissions from trucks through a truck licensing program.

For more information about the Centerm Expansion Project, visit our **website**. We encourage you to **subscribe** to the Centerm project newsletter to receive regular updates.

Bringing in sand from Oakridge

In July, dump trucks will be delivering sand to Centerm from the Oakridge Center re-development to be used as infill for the western expansion area of Centerm. The work will be happening during regular working hours and is anticipated to be completed by the end of July.

An increase in truck traffic on designated City of Vancouver truck routes and East Waterfront Road can be expected during this

time. Dump trucks will have space to temporarily park on port land to limit impacts along East Waterfront Road.

Western dykes construction update

Work on the southwest perimeter dyke is nearly complete. This month, we will be infilling the area with sand. The land in the southwest expansion area is anticipated to be fully out of the water by mid-July.

Once land has broken the water's surface, sand will be placed on top to help the land settle (called "preload"). The preload will stay in place for around four months, or until the land is compacted enough to meet long term strength requirements.

This [flyover video](#) shows how work on the dykes is progressing in the western expansion area.



Pictured: Dykes surfacing in the western expansion area.



Pictured: A view of the southwest dykes from the terminal.

The 309 is coming back

In July, the largest dredging vessel on the west coast, the "309" is returning to Centerm.

Pictured: Lagoon that will be filled in the eastern expansion area.



It is anticipated to be onsite for approximately one month to complete infilling and preload placement in the lagoon in the eastern expansion area.

Shoreline protection at Mariner Seafoods

Mariner Seafoods Ltd. is doing shoreline protection work near their facility at 2295 Commissioner Street. This work began on June 29 and will be completed July 11.

Work hours

Monday to Saturday between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

About the projects

The port authority is building the Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project 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 projects, delivered by Centennial Expansion Partners (CEP), are set to be complete by the end of 2021.

Interested in seeing the full construction schedule?

[Download the construction activities and timelines PDF](#)



Centerm: Current view



Centerm: Rendering of view following construction completion

Contact us

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