

Pitt Meadows Road and Rail Improvements Project

Phase one engagement: October 21- November 22, 2019

What we've heard to date and what we've done

The following table reflects what we heard from residents and stakeholders to date and how we are acting on that feedback.

What we heard	What we have done
<p>Engage early and often with the heritage and museum society about relocating the Hoffmann and Son Machine Shop and the Old General Store.</p>	<p>When funding was confirmed, the port authority began discussions with the heritage and museum society to discuss relocating these two sites.</p> <p>Working with the heritage and museum society, we developed a letter of commitment that outlines how we will work together, including confirmation that the port authority will fund the move so the project does not cause undue burden to the heritage and museum society.</p>
<p>Create opportunities for community enhancement and beautification as part of the Harris Road underpass, including Indigenous artwork, pedestrian and cycling facilities, landscaping, and improved access to businesses on Harris Road.</p>	<p>We are in the process of engaging an urban design firm to complete a review of the project area. This team will work to develop different options informed by your feedback throughout this engagement process.</p> <p>We have also completed an archeological assessment of the area and are preparing to do a geotechnical assessment next month.</p> <p>Additionally, we are consulting with Katzie First Nation and other local Indigenous groups to identify what opportunities they may see through this project.</p>
<p>Address concerns about managing traffic during and after construction.</p>	<p>While we are very early in the design process, managing construction and its impact on the community is a priority, and we will be developing a traffic management strategy to mitigate the traffic impacts of construction on the community and studying future traffic patterns and volumes.</p> <p>We will complete a baseline study, and model future traffic volumes and train crossing frequencies.</p>
<p>Explore ways to maintain or enhance the historical characteristics of Harris Road.</p>	<p>We learned more about the rich history of Pitt Meadows from the heritage and museum society and the importance of heritage recognition in the community. This engagement process is an opportunity for you to share your ideas about how we can reflect those characteristics in the design.</p>



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<p>Address concerns about noise and vibration from existing and future expansion of CP operations, and the need to explore opportunities to mitigate this as part of this project.</p>	<p>We heard that noise and vibration from train activity is a concern for the community. As part of the project, we have hired acoustic experts to study current noise and vibration levels and model future levels. This information will be used to explore and inform opportunities for noise and vibration mitigation with the city and CP.</p>
<p>The city does not have the capacity to contribute to the capital costs of the project.</p>	<p>The port authority, city and CP agreed that all capital costs associated with the project (including the relocation of the Hoffmann and Son Machine Shop and the Old General Store) will be paid for by the three funding partners. In return, the city will own and maintain the Kennedy Road overpass and the public serving portions of the Harris Road underpass (not the structure supporting rail tracks).</p>
<p>Be mindful of the impact to businesses.</p>	<p>We understand that business owners, especially those with businesses along Harris Road, are concerned about project impacts to their operations. We have already met with several business owners to understand their concerns and how they operate. We intend to meet with the owners of all businesses that may be impacted during construction.</p>

