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Portside/Blundell Road Improvements Project

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Phase two engagement coming this spring

To ensure your input continues to inform aspects of the design and traffic management plan for construction, the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority will be hosting phase two engagement later this spring.

In the coming weeks, we will be reaching out to project stakeholders to help identify the best days and times to schedule a virtual information session. We hope you stay tuned for more information and look forward to connecting with you.

Last year, we concluded the first phase of engagement for the project. You can [view the phase one engagement summary here](#).

Proponents shortlisted for Portside overpass and widening of Blundell Road

The project has two components:

- Portside overpass and widening of Blundell Road
- Portside Road extension and bridge

We recently completed the request for qualifications (RFQ) evaluation of proponents to design and build the Portside overpass and widening of Blundell Road, and we are pleased to announce the following shortlisted proponents:

- Peter Kiewit Sons ULC / Brybil Projects Ltd.
- Ledcor CMI Ltd.
- Flatiron / Carlson Joint Venture

We are aiming to have a design-build contract in place by late summer 2021.

Project and environmental review

The Portside/Blundell Road Improvements Project team is required to apply for a project and environmental review (PER) permit. Any proposed project on lands or waters within the port authority's jurisdiction, such as this one, cannot begin work without this permit.

In the coming weeks, we will be submitting a PER application for the Portside Road extension component of the project.

About the PER process

Through the PER process, the port authority fulfils our federal responsibilities under the Canada Marine Act and the Impact Assessment Act, carefully reviewing and considering potential effects from all proposed project development on federal lands and waters as well as neighbouring communities before determining if a project can proceed.

For more information about the PER process, visit portvancouver.com/per.

About the project

The port authority is leading the **Portside/Blundell Road Improvements Project**, which will upgrade the road network in the Fraser Richmond Industrial Lands. This network has some of the most concentrated activity in the Greater Vancouver area for moving goods from marine terminals to rail lines and trucks, and then off to other destinations. The project includes:

- A new overpass on Portside Road at Blundell Road to cross over the CN rail line
- Widening Blundell Road from two lanes to four lanes, between the No. 8 Road intersection and just west of York Road
- A new bridge and extension of Portside Road over the No. 7 Road Canal
- A new multi-use pathway along the north side of Blundell Road and south side of Portside Road

In addition to supporting Canada's trade, these improvements will benefit the community by improving safety and community access, creating more reliable travel times, and providing better emergency response.

Project timeline

- 2019 – Project receives funding from the Government of Canada's National Trade Corridors Fund for design and construction

- Fall 2019 to fall 2020 – Stakeholder engagement, environmental permits, lease amendments, agreements
- Spring 2021 – Preliminary design, environmental assessments, phase two engagement
- 2022 – Construction begins
- 2024 – Project completion

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