



Commissioner Street Road and Rail Realignment Project Newsletter

June 2022

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Permit amendment approval

Construction on the [Commissioner Street Road and Rail Realignment Project](#) is progressing well, and we are nearing project completion.

Last month, the project team received approval to conduct certain construction activities outside of regular working hours, between June 29 and July 31, 2022. The remaining project activities include bypass pumping for the new Metro Vancouver sewer, lane painting and relocating fibre optic system along the rail corridor. The original project permit and subsequent permit amendments can be found [here](#).

Construction activities between June 29 and July 31, 2022 will continue during port authority standard work hours (Monday to Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.), and some works will take place outside of port authority standard work hours, as shown in the [summer construction schedule](#).

From June 29 until July 9, 2022 (inclusive), high-impact construction activities will take place overnight between 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. to run temporary bypass pumping until the installation of the new Metro Vancouver sanitary pipe is complete.

Bypass pumping has to run continuously during this time because the sewer flow from the old sanitary pipe has to be diverted to avoid spillage while we switch to the new Metro Vancouver sanitary sewer pipe. We will install shrouded pumps to mitigate noise near the two work sites at Victoria Drive and New Brighton Road.

What to expect

As much as possible, we will limit the night shift work. Activities will generate noise and localized lighting from the project site, but will not be continuous except for the bypass pumping, as noted above. We recognize this is a disturbance to the surrounding community and to minimize impacts, the contractor will implement the following mitigation measures:

- Conduct those activities that may result in more noise, such as excavation using a vacuum truck (hydrovac), in the early hours of the night shift (5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.)
- Cover stationary equipment to contain the noise
- Face lights on construction site away from residences
- Use silent pumps where possible during the bypass pumping for Metro Vancouver sanitary sewer relocation activities, or use shrouding around the pump station
- Ensure all noticeable noise (such as white noise back up beepers on equipment) is well within 70 dBA, as per WorkSafeBC construction guidelines

Noise monitoring stations

Noise monitoring on the project is taking place at a few locations near the project site. There are two stationary noise monitors on Commissioner Street, one along Renfrew Street and one along Nanaimo Street. We also use a mobile device to monitor noise on the hill from Dusty Greenwell Park when performing noisy activities.

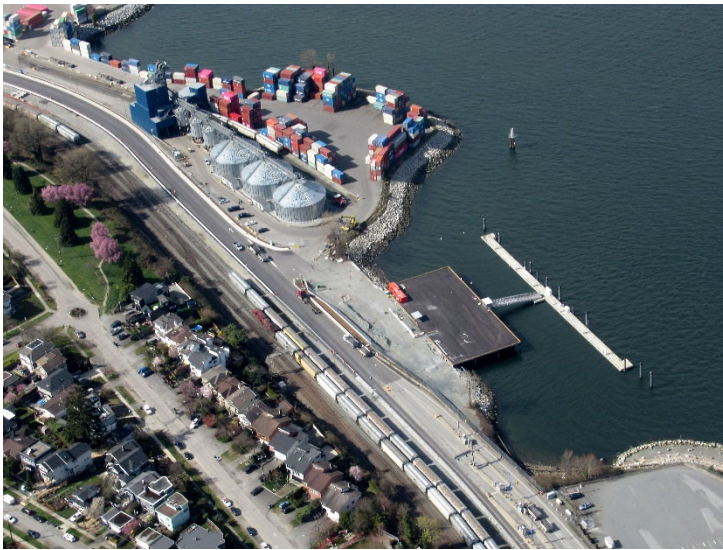
Noise enquiries

The project team has implemented a process to track and respond to project-related enquiries about noise. We invite you to direct any noise queries pertaining to the project to csrr@portvancouver.com.

To help us effectively monitor and respond to your noise queries, we ask that you include the following information:

- Date and time of noise (day and night)
- Description of noisy activity
- If this noise is new or has been heard since the project started construction on April 12, 2021
- Location of the source of the noise, or where it is being heard from

Photo gallery



Pictured: Aerial view of Commissioner Street.

About the project

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is undertaking a roadwork project to widen and realign Commissioner Street to the north between Nanaimo Street and Slocan Street in order to make room for Canadian Pacific Railway (CP) to add additional rail tracks. This project is being done to help improve the cargo capacity of port terminals on the south shore of Burrard Inlet in preparation for growth in Canadian trade, and to fulfill our mandate to enable trade through the Port of Vancouver. The project received funding from the Government of Canada through the [National Trade Corridors Fund](#).

B&B Heavy Civil Construction Ltd. is completing the project.

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