



June 15, 2021

Re: Invitation to provide feedback on the proposed Fraser Surrey Port Lands Transportation Improvements Project

Dear resident,

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is writing to provide an overview of the proposed Fraser Surrey Port Lands Transportation Improvements Project and to invite you to submit feedback on the project during the public comment period.

As a Canada Port Authority, we have a mandate to ensure the Port of Vancouver is ready for Canada's growing trade. One of the ways we do this is by investing in and building essential infrastructure that connects consumers and businesses with the global marketplace, ensuring the supply of important and essential goods right across the country. As we respond to the extraordinary circumstances of COVID-19, the port remains open for business, and we continue our work to deliver on critical trade-enabling projects such as the Fraser Surrey Port Lands Transportation Improvements Project.

About the Fraser Surrey Port Lands Transportation Improvements Project

The port authority's engineering department is leading the proposed road and rail improvements within the Fraser Surrey Port Lands to alleviate traffic congestion and rail crossing delays, and improve the ability of port tenants to move trade. The Fraser Surrey Port Lands is an industrial area situated alongside Highway 17 at Tannery Road, bordering on the municipalities of Surrey and Delta. Our goal is to enable safe and efficient goods movement by improving use of the area for port users and mitigating the impacts of growing trade on local communities.

The project includes:

- Creating a Timberland Road (south) route for traffic to travel through the Fraser Surrey Port Lands
- Converting the Timberland Road three-way intersection, at Tannery Road to a standard four-way intersection
- Adding vehicle access control system gates
- Upgrading six at-grade railway crossings to meet federal standards
- Adding street lighting, relocating closed-circuit television cameras, and integrating camera feeds into the port authority's operations centre

These improvements will:

- Improve port truck movements and traffic flows
- Improve travel times by removing rail crossing delays
- Improve emergency response access
- Improve safety and security
- Reduce train whistle noise through rail crossing upgrades

The project is jointly funded by the port authority and the Government of Canada through the National Trade Corridors Fund.

Project and Environmental Review process

The project is currently undergoing the port authority's [Project and Environmental Review \(PER\)](#) process ([application PER No. 20-007](#)). To learn more visit portvancouver.com/projectenvironmentalreview.

How to provide your feedback

From **June 16 to July 21, 2021**, as part of the PER process, the port authority invites you to learn about the proposed project and share your feedback. Here's how you can participate and share your input:

- Learn about the project by visiting portvancouver.com/frasersurreyengagement
- Complete the questionnaire between June 16 and July 21, 2021 online at portvancouver.com/frasersurreyengagement

The project team will use this feedback to inform the development of the project's construction staging and traffic management plan.

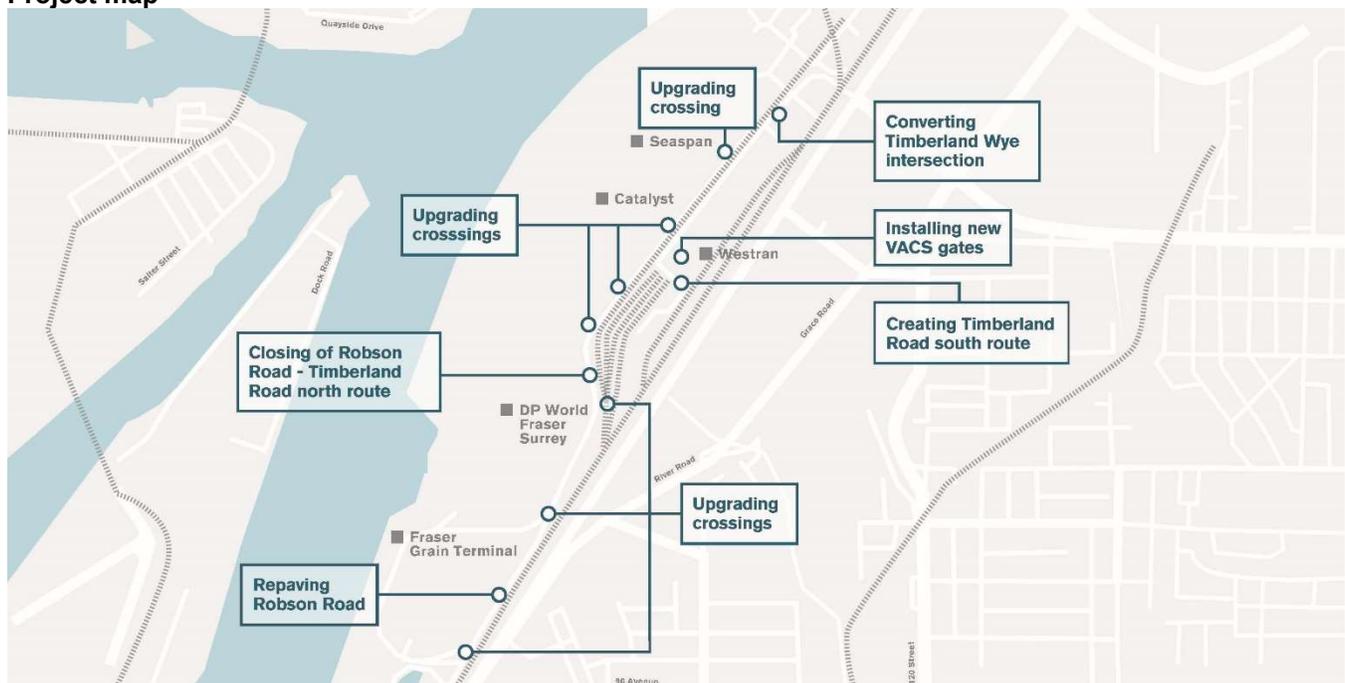
Project timeline

The proposed project is currently in the design phase, and is being reviewed under the PER process. Should a permit be issued, we expect to begin construction in winter 2022, and complete the project by spring 2023.

What's next

We are working with Indigenous groups, municipalities, other stakeholders and the public to advance project design and plan for project construction. We will gather feedback during the public comment period, will summarize what we heard and share information on how input was considered in ongoing project planning.

Project map



We are providing notification to the public through social media, website updates, and our email newsletter.

Please send any questions you may have about the proposed project to our project team at frasersurrey@portvancouver.com, or we encourage you to sign up to receive project updates through our newsletter at portvancouver.com/frasersurreyupgrades.

Sincerely,

Vancouver Fraser Port Authority