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Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project Engagement Summary Report



Acknowledgement

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority respectfully acknowledges that the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project takes place on the ancestral lands of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Musqueam, Semiahmoo, and Tsawwassen Nation peoples and extend our thanks to them. Further, we acknowledge and give thanks to the broader traditional territories of the Coast Salish people, where we live and work.

Thank you, also, to everyone who has completed the project survey, attended the public information session or provided feedback on this project. We appreciate your time and value your input.



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About the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is the federal agency, which, on behalf of all Canadians, is responsible for the stewardship of the lands and waters that make up the Port of Vancouver. Our mandate is to enable Canada's trade objectives, ensuring goods are moved safely through the Port of Vancouver while protecting the environment and considering local communities. We are accountable to the federal minister of transport.



Our vision

For the Port of Vancouver to be the world's most sustainable port



Our mission

To enable Canada's trade objectives, ensuring safety, environmental protection and consideration for local communities

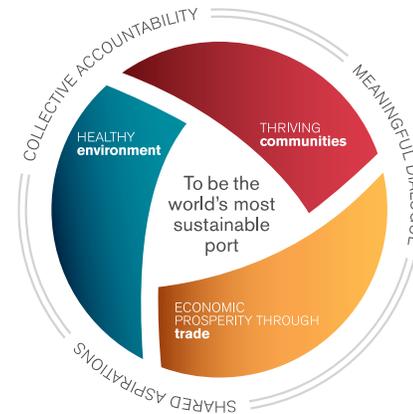


Our values

- Accountability
- Collaboration
- Continuous improvement
- Customer responsiveness

Our definition of a sustainable port

We believe a sustainable port delivers economic prosperity through trade, maintains a healthy environment, and enables thriving communities through meaningful dialogue, shared aspirations and collective accountability.



Executive summary

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority—in partnership with Wallenius Wilhelmsen Solutions (WW Solutions)—is leading the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project, to improve efficiency of the terminal's existing operations and increase its capacity to handle a greater volume of automobile imports in the future.

Between February 23 and March 29, 2022, we held a public engagement period for the proposed project to provide community with an opportunity to learn more about the project, and to seek feedback on our proposed design and construction plans. We invited the community to visit our website and engagement page, join us for an online information session, and to share feedback by completing a survey, or contacting us by email, phone or Canada Post.

This report summarizes what we heard, and how we are using this feedback to inform the project as it progresses.

Numbers in brief



5,448

notification letters sent



12

social media posts promoting the public engagement period



1

public information session held



35

surveys completed



58%

of survey respondents support or strongly support the project



8

emails received to the project inbox

Common feedback

The feedback we received from this engagement indicates that participants are generally supportive of the proposed project. Some of the most common things we heard for consideration include the following:

- Construction traffic
- Post-project terminal operations
- Off-terminal rail movements

How feedback is being used

The port authority has collated and analyzed all feedback received during the public engagement period. We have considered how to update project plans in response to what we heard, taking into account the project scope, technical analysis and the project budget. In response to feedback, we are updating the draft construction staging and traffic management plan.

Automobile imports through the Port of Vancouver

The Port of Vancouver is Canada's largest and most diversified port. Each day, commodities and goods from across Canada arrive at the port by rail and road for export, and consumer and manufactured goods from around the world are imported to Canada. The port authority is responsible for ensuring that the Port of Vancouver is ready to handle Canada's growth in trade, including the forecasted increase in the auto sector.

As the most efficient gateway for Canadian-destined automobiles from Asia, the Port of Vancouver receives nearly 100% of all Asian-manufactured imports destined for the Canadian market and serves more than a dozen of the world's top auto manufacturers. In recent years, auto imports have increased, driven by a growing consumer demand for hybrid and electric vehicles. The port authority expects auto imports to continue growing.

Auto terminals at the Port of Vancouver also handle additional cargo, such as heavy rolling machinery and equipment, and offer extensive on-dock rail and truck loading capability.



About the project

The Annacis Auto Terminal and Richmond Auto Terminal handle nearly all imports of Asian-manufactured vehicles destined for the Canadian market. However, both terminals are currently operating near maximum capacity and modifications are needed to accommodate forecasted growth in demand for auto imports.

The port authority - in partnership with terminal operator, WW Solutions - has proposed improvements to the Annacis Auto Terminal to improve the efficiency of the terminal's operations within the existing footprint and increase its ability to handle a greater volume of automobile imports in the future.

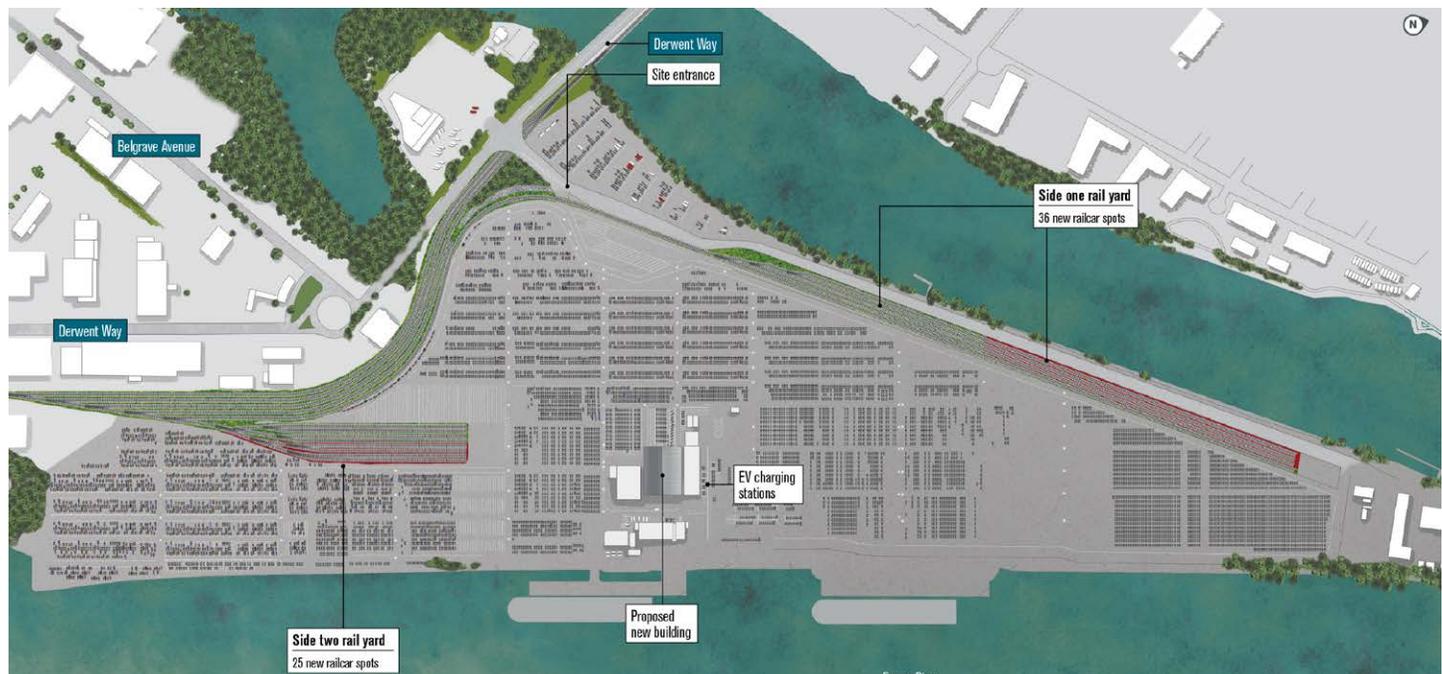
The proposed project will allow the port authority to consolidate the two existing port automobile terminals into a single terminal at the Annacis site and repurpose the Richmond Auto Terminal for other port-related activities.

Improvements to the Annacis Auto Terminal include:

- Expanding the two existing rail yards within the terminal
- Installing electric vehicle charging stations
- Replacing some terminal buildings with a new vehicle processing facility

This work will increase the annual terminal capacity of the Annacis Auto Terminal from approximately 352,000 vehicles to 480,000 vehicles.

Proposed improvements



Project and environmental review

The port authority's federal mandate is to enable Canada's trade through the Port of Vancouver while protecting the environment and considering local communities. We fulfill our federal responsibilities under the *Canada Marine Act* and the *Impact Assessment Act* through the PER process. This proposed project is being reviewed through the PER process – PER# 21-019. You can learn more about PER at: portvancouver.com/projectenvironmentalreview.

By the numbers

Survey responses	35 surveys completed	90% of survey respondents are residents who live near the terminal	58% of survey respondents support or strongly support the project
Correspondence	8 emails received to the project inbox	0 phone calls about the proposed project	0 comments forwarded by PER representatives
Information session	1 information session	18 participants	2 views of the video of the information session
Stakeholder meetings	1 meeting with the Port Community Liaison Committee - Delta	1 stakeholder meeting	1 stakeholder meeting with local authorities
Social media	12 social media posts on three channels in two languages	21,072 social media views	697 social media engagements (reactions, comments, shares)

Notification activities

The port authority notified local residents and businesses, and stakeholders about the project and opportunities to participate through the following activities:



5,448 notification letters

The port authority delivered 5,448 notification letters to all addresses within 700 metres of the project area by February 22, 2022.



2 newspaper advertisements

The port authority ran two print ads in the Delta Optimist and New Westminster Record on February 24, 2022.



12 social media posts

The port authority posted 12 social media posts on Facebook and Twitter in English and French, and LinkedIn in English.



24 emails

The port authority sent 24 emails to stakeholders, including elected officials, municipalities, and port tenants in the project area.



1 project newsletter

The port authority sent one project newsletter to six subscribers on February 22, 2022.

Samples of these notification materials can be found in [Appendix 1: Notification materials](#).



Communications materials

The port authority created communications materials to share information about the proposed project, and support participation in the engagement activities. These were published on two online spaces launched to support this project:

portvancouver.com/AnnacisAutoTerminal hosting:

- A description of the proposed project and its benefits, and the anticipated timeline
- Copies of the project communications materials, including the:
 - ◆ Factsheet
 - ◆ Overview of possible impacts
 - ◆ Project video
 - ◆ Public notification letter
 - ◆ Newsletter
- Details about engagement opportunities and timing, and a link to the engagement page hosting the survey
- Information about how feedback would be considered
- Project team contact information, and a link to sign up for the project newsletter
- A link to the PER application and submission materials, and PER contact information

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 - The engagement survey and information about how feedback would be considered
 - The information session sign-up link (prior to the session), and video of the presentation and summary of the Q & A (after the session)
 - Project team contact information, and a link to sign up for the project newsletter
 - A link to the PER application and submission materials, and PER contact information

These communications and engagement materials can be found in [Appendix 2: Communications materials](#) and [Appendix 3: Engagement materials](#).

Engagement activities

The port authority invited the community and stakeholders to learn about the project and share their feedback as part of the PER process, and focused in particular on the construction traffic management plan and possible mitigations.

Based on our understanding of the scope of the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project, and community interests, the project team determined that the level of engagement for this project was “consult” on the [International Association for Public Participation](#) (IAP2) spectrum of public participation.

At this level of engagement, the promise to the public is to keep them informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and to provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.

Project survey

From February 23 to March 29, 2022, the port authority hosted a 15-question survey on the proposed project at portvancouver.com/annacisengagement. The survey included questions about the project overall, the draft construction traffic management plan, the demographics of the survey taker and the engagement experience.

The port authority offered to mail or email the survey to anyone unable to complete it on the engagement site.



Survey

35 surveys completed



Demographics

90% of survey respondents are residents who live near the terminal



Feedback

58% of survey respondents support or strongly support the project

The results of this survey are considered in the ‘Engagement findings and considerations’ below. A copy of the survey is available in [Appendix 3: Engagement materials](#) and the full survey results form [Appendix 4: Survey Results](#).

Stakeholder meetings

In response to its project notifications, the port authority received three requests to meet with stakeholders to discuss the proposed project. The project team, and PER representatives, met with:

- Public Services and Procurement Canada on March 10, 2022
- Metro Vancouver on March 24, 2022
- The City of Delta on April 7, 2022

At these meetings, the port authority's Annacis Auto Terminal Optimatopn project team shared information about the project, answered questions, and received information about stakeholders' interests and concerns. The port authority project team also met with the Port Community Liaison Committee - Delta to discuss this project on March 8, 2022, with similar content.

Comments and questions from the information session are considered in the "[Engagement findings and considerations](#)".

Online information session

On March 10, 2022, the port authority hosted a 90-minute real-time information session with pre-registered members of the public via Zoom webinar. PER representatives attended to answer questions related to the PER process.

At the information session, the project manager provided an overview of the project and its benefits, the draft construction traffic management plan, and anticipated construction impacts and planned mitigations. The presentation is available in full in [Appendix 3: Engagement materials](#).

Participants were invited to answer questions pulled from the survey in real-time, and were given the opportunity to ask their own questions about the project.

By the numbers



Attendance

18 attendees at the information session



Feedback

14 comments shared and questions asked in the information session



Video

2 views of the video of the information session

Following this session, the port authority shared:



A video of the information session presentation

[Watch the video](#)



A summary of the information session Q & A

[Read the Q & A summary](#)

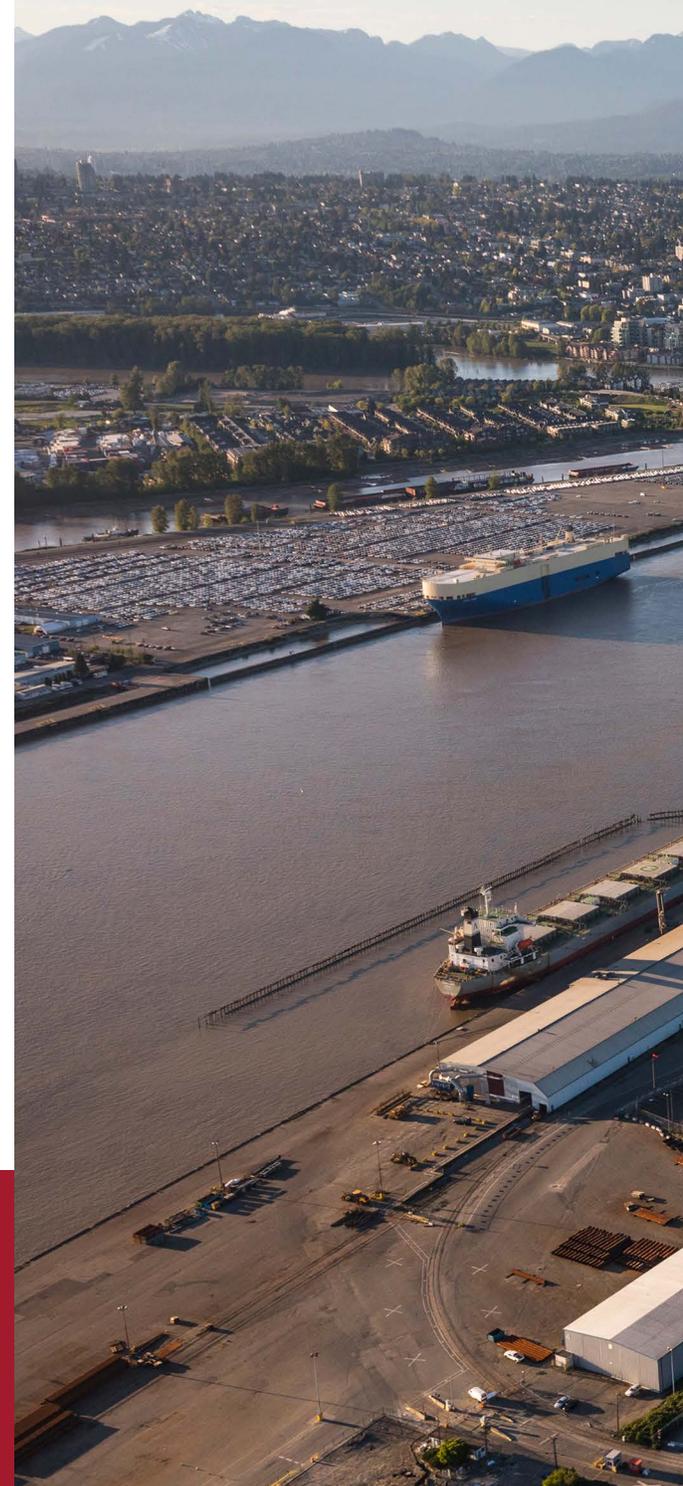
Comments and questions from the information session are considered in the 'Engagement findings and considerations' below.

Engagement findings and consideration

Following the end of engagement on March 29, 2022, the project team collated the survey results, and comments shared during the information session and at meetings, and via email, and analysed them to identify common themes and interests. These themes, and the individual comments, were reviewed and the project team considered how they might update their approach to the project as a result.

Summary of feedback	Port authority consideration
<p>Construction traffic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants said that local traffic is already congested and asked that the construction staging and traffic plan: avoid travel during peak hours and ensure continuous access to properties on the private roads near the project area. A few participants asked if the project would create alternatives to travel over the Queensborough Bridge. 	<p>The project team has submitted a draft Construction Staging and Traffic Management Plan that analyzes current traffic conditions and anticipated construction traffic, and recommends ways to mitigate the effects of construction traffic on local community. This plan anticipates a maximum of 10 to 15 construction vehicles per hour during the port authority's standard work hours of Monday to Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Construction vehicles are being routed to and from the project site from Highway 91 along designated truck routes on Annacis Island.</p> <p>Our consultants believe that Highway 91, and the local roads recommended for use, have capacity for the small increase in traffic volume that may be caused by the project. This plan is being reviewed as part of the PER process and the project team will be advised if any additional mitigation measures are required.</p>
<p>Construction site access</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A participant pointed out that the draft construction traffic management plan includes access to the site via Highway 91, travelling along Derwent Way, and that currently there is no intersection between the two roads. 	<p>The project team has reviewed the draft construction staging and traffic management plan and has asked our consultant to update it. If the project proceeds to construction, existing roads will be used to access the site: we will not build a new intersection between Highway 91 and Derwent Way.</p> <p>The project team is committed to providing early and frequent communication about the traffic management plan to affected stakeholders, including mitigation measures that will be implemented. Any changes to the draft traffic management plan will be shared on our website, and communicated to local residents and businesses prior to the start of construction.</p>
<p>Other construction impacts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants asked that the port authority ensure it is mitigating the effects of noise, dust and site lighting during construction. 	<p>The project team has submitted a Construction Environmental Management Plan that describes how construction at the terminal could be managed so that work would not result in significant adverse impacts to the environment, as well as how any effects of construction could be mitigated.</p> <p>The plan takes a broad view of 'environment', including recommending ways to mitigate construction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noise e.g., limiting construction hours Dust e.g., watering the site to limit dust Light e.g., pointing lights downward <p>This plan is being reviewed as part of the PER process and the project team will be advised if any additional mitigation measures are required.</p>

Summary of feedback	Port authority consideration
<p>Terminal noise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some participants suggested terminal operations are noisy and recommended noise management mitigations or that the terminal cease operating. 	<p>This project has been proposed to prepare the terminal to handle a greater volume of automobile imports anticipated in the future. The scope of the project does not include components to mitigate the noise of regular operations, which are not changing.</p> <p>In preparation for this project, the port authority and WW Solutions reviewed public feedback it has received about the terminal over the past five years. There were fewer than five complaints about the terminal, and none of these were related to noise.</p>
<p>Terminal road traffic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants expressed concerns about truck movements within their communities, and recommended that goods transported from the terminal by road adhere to local truck routes and avoid travel during peak traffic hours. 	<p>This project has been proposed to prepare the Annacis Auto Terminal to handle a greater volume of automobile imports in the future and will not change how autos are transported from the terminal. Some autos are transported from the terminal via auto carrier on the road.</p> <p>Within Metro Vancouver, truck routing falls under the jurisdiction of local municipalities, and any concerns about traffic on local roads should be raised with the appropriate municipality.</p>
<p>Off-terminal rail traffic and effects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The majority of comments and questions that the port authority received during this engagement period related to the movement of trains off the terminal, particularly through the Queensborough neighbourhood. Participants asked how the project would affect the volume of traffic, and recommended that that the project mitigate the effects of train traffic and noise e.g. by reducing the need for whistling at at-grade crossings in the community. 	<p>The port authority's mandate is to enable Canada's trade objectives, while protecting the environment and considering local communities. This project has been proposed to prepare the terminal to handle a greater volume of automobile imports in the future, which it is designed to do, in part, by increasing the space available on the terminal for rail cars. The scope of the project does not include off-terminal improvements.</p> <p>Off-terminal rail movements are determined by the railways and their customers - in this case, the railway's customers are the original equipment manufacturers and are not under the purview of the port authority. While volumes are anticipated to grow, the growth is unlikely to directly generate additional trains to AAT.</p> <p>Any comments or questions about rail movements on Annacis Island and neighbouring communities can be directed to SRY Rail Link by visiting sryrailink.com/contact.</p>



Next steps

In the coming months, PER representatives will complete their review of the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project. They will then determine whether the project can proceed, and if so, if there are conditions the project must meet. A permit decision is expected by summer 2022 and if the project is approved, we expect construction to begin in fall 2022 and to be complete by fall 2023.

Prior to PER's decision, the project team is continuing to advance its plans for the project. The port authority will continue to share updates about the project via the project webpage and newsletter.

 **Stay informed**

Sign up for the Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Projects newsletter to receive updates as this project progresses:
portvancouver.com/annacisautoterminal.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Notification materials

Public notification letters

These letters were sent to all addresses within 700 metres of the project site.



This notice contains important information. Please have it translated. 此通知包含重要資料。請將其翻譯成中文。

February 22, 2022

Re: Invitation to provide feedback on the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Dear neighbour,

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority - in partnership with Wallenius Wilhelmsen Solutions (WW Solutions) - is proposing improvements to the Annacis Auto Terminal at the Port of Vancouver. We are writing to you to share information about the proposed project and how you can provide feedback.

About the Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Almost 100% of Asian-made vehicles destined for Canada arrive through the Port of Vancouver at the Annacis Auto Terminal and Richmond Auto Terminal. In recent years, imports have increased because there has been an increasing demand for hybrid and fuel-efficient vehicles.

The Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project will improve efficiency at the terminal, so that imports can increase within the terminal's existing footprint, and enable the port authority to consolidate the two automobile terminals into a single terminal at the Annacis site. The Richmond Auto Terminal will be repurposed for other port activities.

The project includes:

- Expanding two existing terminal rail yards
- Installing electric vehicle charging stations
- Upgrading or replacing some terminal buildings used to process vehicles

These improvements will:

- Support climate change resiliency by responding to increased demand for electric vehicles
- Increase the resilience of the transportation system by reducing train building required within the existing yard, leading to smoother yard operations and increased capacity
- Support further economic development by allowing for auto terminal optimization and freeing up valuable trade-enabling industrial land to be repurposed in support of other export trade development

Project map



Project and Environmental Review

The port authority's federal mandate is to enable trade through the Port of Vancouver while protecting the environment and considering local communities. We ensure port projects meet these requirements through our project and environmental review (PER) process.

The proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project is currently under review (PER No. 21-019). You can learn more about this process at: portvancouver.com/projectenvironmentalreview.

For questions about the port authority's PER process, please contact the port authority at PER@portvancouver.com or 604.665.9047.

Upcoming public engagement opportunities

From February 23 to March 29, 2022, we invite you to learn more about the project and provide feedback. In support of government guidance to practice physical distancing to reduce the spread of COVID-19, public engagement on this project will be held virtually at: portvancouver.com/annacisengagement.

Visit the project engagement site to:

- Learn about the project and read through the project fact sheet
- Sign up for our online information session on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- Watch the project overview video
- Complete the survey between February 23 and March 29, 2022

For more information, visit the engagement site: portvancouver.com/annacisengagement.

Project timeline

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

What's next

We are working with Indigenous groups, municipalities, stakeholders, and the public to advance project design and develop a construction staging and traffic management plan. We will gather feedback during the public engagement period, summarize what we hear and share information on how input was considered.

More information

The Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project was identified in the Greater Vancouver Gateway 2030 Strategy. The strategy recommends ways to improve the region's trade network, while addressing community impacts of goods movement.

This project is funded by the Government of Canada through the National Trade Corridors Fund, the port authority, and terminal operator WW Solutions.

If you have any questions about the project, please reach out to the project team by email to: annacisautoterminal@portvancouver.com, or phone: 604.665.9004.

Sincerely,

Tom Corsie
Vice President, Real Estate
Vancouver Fraser Port Authority

Stakeholder emails

These emails were sent to port tenants, elected officials and municipalities in the vicinity of the project to supplement notifications provided by PER representatives.

Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

From: [Redacted]
Sent: [Redacted]
To: [Redacted]
Cc: Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project
Subject: Vancouver Fraser Port Authority | Engagement on proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Annacis Auto Terminal

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority – in partnership with terminal operator Wallenius Wilhelmsen Solutions (WW Solutions) – is proposing improvements to the Annacis Auto Terminal in Delta.

We are launching public engagement and are inviting those with an interest to learn about the proposed project and provide feedback from February 23, 2022 to March 29, 2022. This email explains the work proposed and how your constituents can participate in upcoming engagement opportunities.

About the project
Almost 100% of Asian-made vehicles arrive in Canada at the Port of Vancouver's Annacis Auto Terminal and Richmond Auto Terminal. These imports have increased in recent years as customer demand for hybrid and fuel-efficient vehicles has grown.

The proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Project is intended to improve terminal efficiency, so that auto imports can be consolidated at Annacis, and so that the Port of Vancouver is prepared to support the growing demand.

The project includes:

- Expanding two existing terminal rail yards
- Installing electric vehicle charging stations
- Replacing select terminal buildings with a new vehicle processing building

More information is available on our website at portvancouver.com/AnnacisAutoTerminal.

The proposed project is currently under review through the port authority's [project and environmental review \(PER\) process](#) (PER No. 21-019). During the review period, the PER team will reach out to stakeholders for comment.

Public engagement opportunities
Due to COVID-19 and the government's direction to practice physical distancing, we are unable to host in-person engagement. As a result, we are hosting online engagement to keep the community and staff safe.

From February 23 to March 29, 2022, you and your constituents can learn more about the proposed design and provide feedback by:

Attending the virtual information session
Scheduled for Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. Sign up at portvancouver.com/annacisengagement

Completing the survey
Review the project materials on the engagement site and complete the survey at portvancouver.com/annacisengagement

Providing a written response
Emailed to annacisautoterminal@portvancouver.com

Or mailed to:
Vancouver Fraser Port Authority

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Attention : Project communications
100 The Pointe, 999 Canada Place
Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3T4

Phoning
778.957.9444

If you hear from your constituents about the project, please encourage them to participate in this engagement process so that their views can be considered.

What's next
We are working with Indigenous groups, municipalities, stakeholders, and the public to advance project design and refine a construction staging and traffic management plan. We will gather feedback during the public engagement period, summarize what we hear and share information on how input was considered in ongoing project planning.

More information
This project was identified in the Greater Vancouver Gateway 2030 Strategy, which recommends ways to improve the region's trade network, while addressing the community impacts of goods movement.

This project is funded by the Government of Canada through the [National Trade Corridors Fund](#), the port authority, and the terminal operator.

If you have any questions about the Annacis project, or engagement activities, please reach out.

Warm regards,

[Redacted]
Government Affairs Coordinator



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The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority's Canada Place office sits on the traditional territory of the x'mədkwəjam (Musqueam), Sḵwəp'wəmesh (Squamish), and səllwətəl (Tsəl'Wəsh) Nations.

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority's Delta community office sits on the traditional territory of the x'mədkwəjam (Musqueam), ḵəyčəy (Katzie), ḵwəts'əkəsh (Kwákwáw), Səmləhmo, and sčəwəl'əsh məsəl'əyən (Tsar'məssen) Nations.

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Newspaper advertisements

These were published in the Delta Optimist on February 24, 2022 and New Westminster Record on February 24, 2022.

Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Invitation to participate in the public engagement period

About the project

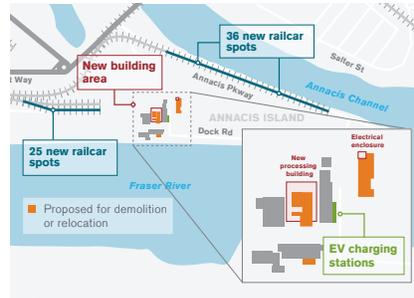
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By expanding two existing terminal rail yards, installing electric vehicle charging stations and replacing select terminal buildings with a new vehicle processing building, we will improve efficiency at the terminal within its existing footprint so that it can meet an increasing customer demand for hybrid and energy-efficient vehicles, and for auto imports from Asia.

The proposed project is in the design phase and is being reviewed under the port authority's project and environmental review process.

If approved, construction is anticipated to begin in fall 2022 and to be completed by fall 2023.

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



How to share your feedback

From **February 23 to March 29, 2022**, the port authority invites you to learn more about this proposed project and share your feedback to help inform the project construction staging and traffic management plan. In support of government guidance to practice physical distancing to reduce the spread of COVID-19, engagement is taking place online.

Visit portvancouver.com/annacisengagement to:

- ✓ Learn about the project and read through project information
- ✓ Sign up for the online information session taking place on **Thursday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m.**
- ✓ Complete the survey between **February 23 and March 29, 2022**

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Project newsletter

This newsletter was sent to the project newsletter subscriber list at the start of the public engagement period and posted on the project website.

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Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

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Public engagement period open

You are receiving this email because you signed up for updates related to the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project.

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority has launched public engagement on this proposed project and we are inviting those with an interest in the terminal to share their feedback to help inform the project construction staging and traffic management plan through to **March 29, 2022**.

About the proposed project



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Upcoming public engagement opportunities

From now through to March 29, 2022, we invite you to learn more about the project and share your feedback to help inform the project construction staging and traffic management plan. You can get involved by:

- Visiting the project webpage at: portvancouver.com/annacisautoterminal
- Signing up for the online information session which will be held on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.: sign up for the information session [here](#)
- Sharing your feedback via the survey at: portvancouver.com/annacisengagement
- Signing up for the project newsletter: [newsletter sign up](#)

Project timeline

The proposed project is currently in the design phase and is being reviewed under the port authority's project and environmental review process. Learn more about the process on the port authority [website](#). This project is PER No. 21-019. If a permit is issued, we expect to begin construction in fall 2022, and to complete the project by fall 2023.

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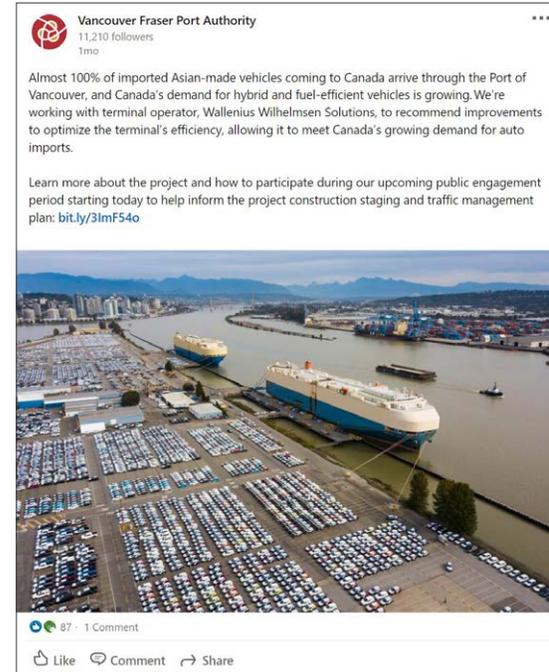
Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project
February 23 to March 29, 2022

Virtual information session
March 10, 2022
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Almost 100% of imported Asian-made vehicles coming to Canada arrive through the Port of Vancouver, and Canada's demand for hybrid and fuel-efficient vehicles is growing. We're working with terminal operator, Wallenius Wilhelmsen Solutions, to recommend improvements to optimize the terminal's efficiency, allowing it to meet Canada's growing demand for auto imports.

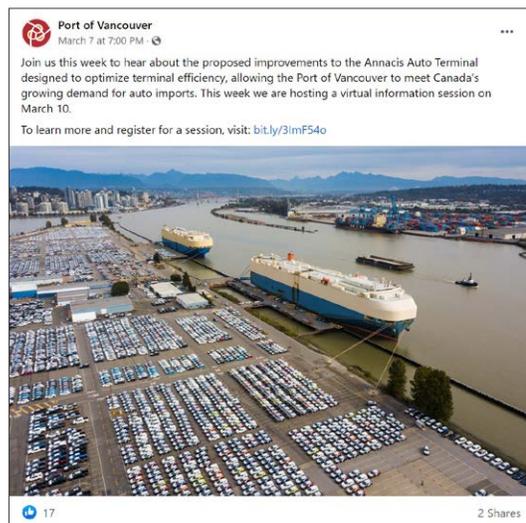
Learn more about the project and how to participate during our upcoming public engagement period starting today to help inform the project construction staging and traffic management plan: bit.ly/3lmF54o



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Join us this week to hear about the proposed improvements to the Annacis Auto Terminal designed to optimize terminal efficiency, allowing the Port of Vancouver to meet Canada's growing demand for auto imports. This week we are hosting a virtual information session on March 10.

To learn more and register for a session, visit: bit.ly/3lmF54o



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Appendix 2: Communications materials

Project webpage: portvancouver.com/annacisautoterminal

The screenshot shows the Port of Vancouver website with a navigation menu and a main content area. The main content area features a large image of a port terminal with a ship and cranes. Below the image is the title "Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project" and a "Contact us" box. To the right is a sidebar with a list of projects. Below the main content is a video player for the "Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project (Overview)". Below the video player is a map of the Annacis Island terminal area with callouts for "36 new railcar spots", "25 new railcar spots", "New building area", and "EV charging stations".

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Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority—in partnership with Wallenius Wilhelmsen Solutions (WWS)—is leading the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project, which will improve efficiency of the terminal's existing operations and increase its capacity to handle a greater volume of automobile imports in the future.

From **February 23 to March 29, 2022**, we invited everyone with an interest in this proposed project to learn more and provide their feedback. We will be sharing a summary of what we heard and how it is being considered soon. For more information, visit the engagement site: portvancouver.com/engagemnt.

Contact us

To receive project updates: [sign up for our project newsletter](#)

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 - Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project
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 - ThyssenKrupp Container Examination Facility
 - Centerra Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project
- Road and rail
- Habitat restoration

About the proposed project

Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project (Overview)

Watch on YouTube

The Annacis Auto Terminal and Richmond Auto Terminal handle nearly all imports of Asian-manufactured vehicles destined for the Canadian market. However, both terminals are currently operating at maximum capacity and modifications are needed to accommodate forecasted growth in demand for auto imports.

The project will allow the port authority to consolidate two existing port automobile terminals into one at the Annacis Auto Terminal. The Richmond Auto Terminal will be repurposed for other port-related businesses.

Terminal improvements include:

- Expanding two existing terminal rail yards
- Installing electric vehicle charging stations
- Replacing some terminal buildings with a new vehicle processing facility

At the same time, and independent from the terminal works listed above, the port authority will undertake separate maintenance works to enhance shoreline protection which will help safeguard the terminal lands from erosion.

Map of Annacis Island terminal area showing railcar spots and charging stations.

- 36 new railcar spots
- 25 new railcar spots
- New building area
- EV charging stations

Prepared for discussion or solicitation

Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project



About the project

Automobile imports have increased in recent years due to consumer demand for hybrid and more fuel-efficient vehicles. The Annacis Auto Terminal and Richmond Auto Terminals are operating at maximum capacity and modifications are needed to improve existing operations and accommodate growth in demand for auto imports.

The proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project will allow the port authority to consolidate the two existing port automobile terminals into a single terminal at the Annacis site and repurpose the Richmond Auto Terminal for other port-related activities.

The terminal improvements include:

- Expanding two existing terminal rail yards
- Installing electric vehicle charging stations
- Replacing selected terminal buildings with a new vehicle processing facility

The port authority is working with Indigenous groups, municipalities, and stakeholders to better understand their interests as they relate to this project. This work includes technical studies and engagement, advancing project design and planning for project construction, should the project be approved.

In partnership with terminal operator WWL Vehicle Services Canada Ltd, the port authority is leading proposed improvements to the Annacis Auto Terminal in Delta, B.C. The Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project will improve the efficiency of the terminal's operations within the existing footprint, increase its ability to handle a greater volume of automobile imports in the future, and help meet emerging climate change targets by responding to increased demand for electric vehicles.

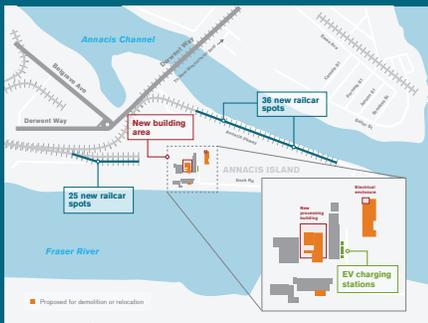
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From February 23 to March 29, 2022, the port authority invites everyone with an interest in this proposed project to learn more and provide their feedback. Find out how on the project webpage.

The Port of Vancouver is Canada's largest port. Each day, commodities and goods from across Canada arrive at the port by rail and road for export, and consumer and manufactured goods from around the world are imported to Canada. This trade is growing, which means more trade-related traffic through the Lower Mainland.

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority has a federal mandate to enable Canada's trade through the Port of Vancouver and is working with partners on infrastructure projects to improve supply-chain efficiency and the movement of trade-related cargo through the region.

The port authority's role is to ensure the Port of Vancouver is ready to handle Canada's growth in trade, including the forecasted increase in the auto sector. The Port of Vancouver receives nearly 100% of Asian-manufactured vehicles destined for the Canadian market and serves more than a dozen of the world's top auto manufacturers.



Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Project benefits

The port authority has a strong track record of delivering high-quality projects based on best practices in environmental sustainability and protection, and community engagement. Benefits of the Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project include:



Improving efficiency and capacity of the auto terminal to support Canada's growing auto sector



Supporting climate change resilience by responding to increased demand for electric vehicles and enhancing shoreline protection



Increasing the resilience of the transportation system by reducing the extent of switching and train building required within the existing yard, leading to smoother operations and increased capacity



Supporting further economic development by allowing for auto terminal expansion and freeing up valuable trade-enabling industrial land to be re-purposed in for other port-related activities

For more information about project impacts, visit the project webpage.

Project partner roles

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The port authority will lead technical assessments, design development, and stakeholder, Indigenous, and public engagement.

Transport Canada

The Government of Canada is a funding partner through the National Trade Corridors Fund.

WWL Vehicle Services Canada, Ltd.

WW Solutions is a partial funding partner.

Timeline

- 2019**
Project submitted to the National Trade Corridors Fund for funding
- 2021**
Preliminary design and project definition report
- 2022**
Project and environmental review, public engagement and Indigenous consultation
- Spring 2022**
Anticipated Project and Environmental Review decision
- Fall 2022**
Construction begins
- Fall 2023**
Project completion

**Timelines are subject to change.*

About the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is responsible for the stewardship of the federal port lands and waters in and around Vancouver, British Columbia. It is financially self-sufficient and accountable to the federal minister of transport, and operates pursuant to the *Canada Marine Act*. The port authority's mandate is to facilitate Canada's trade objectives, ensuring goods are moved safely through the Port of Vancouver, while protecting the environment and considering local communities.

For more information

Sign up [online](#) for the project newsletter to receive email notifications of project updates.

Online

 portvancouver.com/annacisautterminal

Email

 annacisautterminal@portvancouver.com

Newsletter

 [Sign up to receive project updates](#)

Project information document

The project information is available on the project webpage [here](#) and engagement page [here](#).

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Public information

February 23, 2022

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Land acknowledgement

We respectfully acknowledge that the Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project takes place on the ancestral lands of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Musqueam, Semiahmoo, and Tsawwassen Nation peoples and extend out thanks to them. Further, we acknowledge and give thanks to the broader traditional territories of the Coast Salish people, where we live and work.

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Purpose of engagement

- We will:
 - Provide an overview of the proposed project and design
 - Share construction plans and mitigations
 - Ask for your thoughts and feedback
 - Answer your questions
- Your feedback will help us:
 - Refine the construction and traffic management plan
 - Consider community interests and preferences

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2.3 million people

16 municipalities and several First Nations

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Port of Vancouver growth in trade

Port of Vancouver cargo volumes and five-year forecast

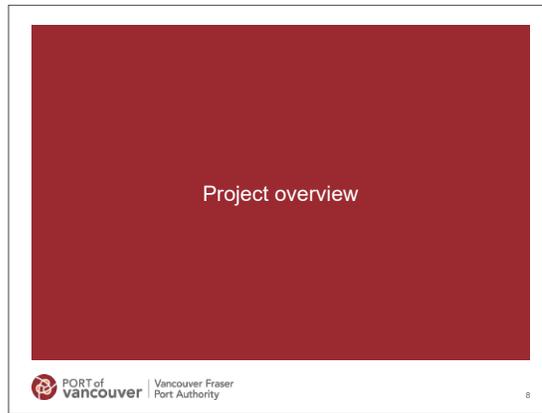
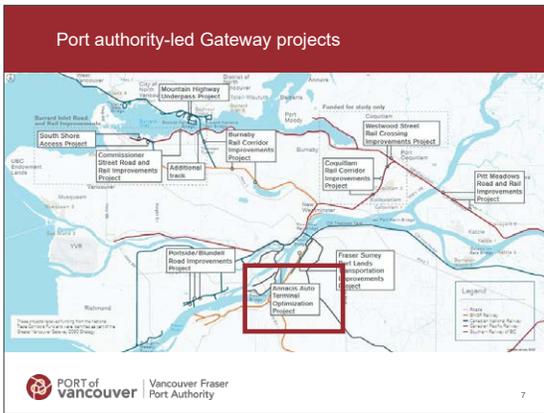
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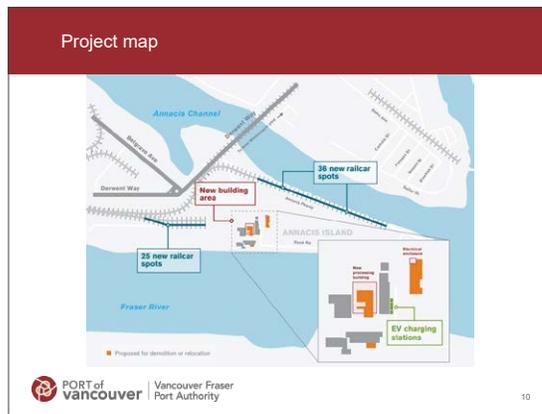
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Project rationale

- Improves efficiency at the terminal
- Supports national trade growth and increasing demand for hybrid and fuel-efficient vehicle imports
- Increases import capacity within the terminal's existing footprint
- Enables the consolidation of two automobile terminals into a single terminal at the Annacis site

100% of Asian-made vehicles destined for Canada arrive via the Port of Vancouver



Project benefits

- Improved import capacity at an existing industrial site
- Supporting climate change resiliency and growing demand for electric vehicles
- Increasing transportation efficiency: reducing onsite train building required
- Supporting further economic development

Project timeline

2019-2021	Early 2022	Mid 2022-2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project submitted to the National Trade Corridors Fund for funding Preliminary design and project definition completed Indigenous consultation began 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project and environmental review application accepted Public engagement period to collect and understand community interests Feedback will be used to refine the traffic and construction management plan, and considered along with other project influences <p>We are here</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If approved, project and environmental review permit anticipated by summer 2022 Construction anticipated to start in fall 2022 Construction anticipated to be completed by fall 2023

Timelines are subject to change

Project information document

The project information is available on the project webpage [here](#) and engagement page [here](#).

Construction staging and traffic management

Traffic management during construction

- Our draft construction traffic management plan recommends accessing the terminal via Highway 91 and then travelling:
 - To site via Derwent Way, Annacis Parkway and Dock Road
 - From site via Belgrave Way and Cliveden Avenue



Traffic management during construction

- This recommendation is based on an examination of:
 - Road capacity – the number of vehicles roads were designed for
 - Traffic volumes – the number of vehicles using a road at a given time
- Highway 91 was recommended to avoid travel through New Westminster
- The local roads recommended have capacity to accommodate our estimated additional volume of a maximum of 10 to 15 construction vehicles per hour during construction hours

Traffic management during construction

- The draft plan recommends an exception for an anticipated two-month construction period for rail side two, when it recommends:
 - Access to and from site via Audley Boulevard and Aldford Avenue



Traffic management during construction: mitigations

- Install traffic signage and use flaggers
- Minimize the number of truck trips by coordinating work
- Avoid peak traffic on Annacis Parkway
- Prohibit staging (waiting) of construction vehicles and laydown (storing) of materials on public roads
- Maintain access to the site's operational work areas at all times
- Review the full construction staging and traffic management plan on the port authority website: portvancouver.com/working-with-us/permitting/status-of-applications, PER No. 21-019

Do you have any concerns about traffic impacts during construction?

Project information document

The project information is available on the project webpage [here](#) and engagement page [here](#).

Is there anything else the port authority should consider during construction to reduce any impacts of construction traffic on your travels?



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Other construction impacts and mitigations



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Construction impacts and mitigations: environment



- The possible effects of construction activities on the environment will be mitigated by following the project Construction Environmental Management Plan, including:
 - Controlling runoff and sediment from site
 - Avoiding vegetation disturbance
 - Writing and implementing environmental emergency and spill response plans
 - Collecting, storing, transporting and disposing of hazardous materials in accordance with all regulations and best practices
- No continuing effects are anticipated post-construction



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Construction impacts and mitigations: noise



- Construction activities may result in temporary increases in noise
- To mitigate this:
 - Work will be scheduled within standard port authority construction hours: Monday to Saturday between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
 - No work will take place on Sundays or public holidays
 - Vehicles and equipment will be inspected and maintained to limit noise, and muffled if possible
 - Engines and equipment will be turned off when they are not in use
- No continuing effects are anticipated post-construction



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Construction impacts and mitigations: lighting and views



- When construction activities are scheduled outside daylight hours e.g. during winter evenings, work areas will require lighting
- To mitigate any impacts from these lights:
 - Lights will be placed as close to work areas as possible
 - Lights will be pointed downward to the work site
- No continuing light effects are anticipated post-construction
- Post-construction views will be similar to views today: the new processing building will look similar to, and be approximately the same height as, existing buildings



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Construction impacts and mitigations: air quality



- Construction activities have the potential to temporarily impact local air quality, including causing dust
- To mitigate this:
 - Engines and equipment will be turned off when they are not in use
 - Dust control measures will be used, e.g. watering
- Post-construction, the consolidation of imports at this location will result in a translation of emissions
- The port authority's vision is to be the world's most sustainable port, and we lead and participate in air quality and climate action programs, see more at portvancouver.com/climatesmart



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Project information document

The project information is available on the project webpage [here](#) and engagement page [here](#).

Construction impacts and mitigations: archaeology



- An archeological overview assessment determined there was low possibility of archeological disturbance
- To mitigate the impacts of any chance find:
 - Contractors will be trained in stop-work procedures and Indigenous communities will be notified if there is an unexpected discovery
 - An archeologist and First Nations representative will monitor the initial excavation of rail side two
 - The port authority will continue consultation activities with Indigenous groups
- No continuing effects are anticipated post-construction

Construction impacts and mitigations: post-project traffic



- Following the completion of this project, auto imports will be consolidated at the Annacis Auto Terminal
- This will result in changes to the road, rail and river traffic at both the Annacis Auto Terminal and the Richmond Auto Terminal
- Local traffic changes will be influenced by several factors, including:
 - Consumer demand
 - Global market dynamics
 - Size and capacity of vessels serving the terminal
 - Length of trains serving the terminal

Do you have any other comments about the project that you would like the port authority to consider?

Learn more and share your feedback

1. Review project information at: portvancouver.com/annacisautoterminal
2. Submit your feedback via the online survey by March 29, 2022 at: portvancouver.com/annacisengagement
3. [Sign up for the project newsletter](#) for regular project updates

The public comment period will be open from February 23 to March 29, 2022
Please share your feedback by **March 29, 2022**

Contact us
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604.665.9004

Website
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Project video

The project video is available on the project webpage [here](#).



Appendix 3: Engagement materials

Project engagement site:

portvancouver.com/annacisengagement



Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Public engagement updates

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority invites those who work, live and play near the Annacis Auto Terminal to learn about the proposed optimization project and provide their feedback to help shape the construction staging and traffic management plan. We encourage you to read through these materials, attend our online information session, and complete the project survey by March 29, 2022.

The project is currently under review through the port authority's [project and environmental review \(PER\) process](#). As part of this review process, the project team is holding a public engagement period to share information and gather feedback from the public and stakeholders with an interest in the project.

About the project

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority—in partnership with Wallenius Wilhelmsen Solutions (WW Solutions)—is leading the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project at the Port of Vancouver in Delta. The project will improve efficiency of the terminal's existing operations and increase its capacity to handle a greater volume of automobile imports in the future.

The project will also allow the port authority to consolidate two existing port automobile terminals into one at the Annacis Auto Terminal.

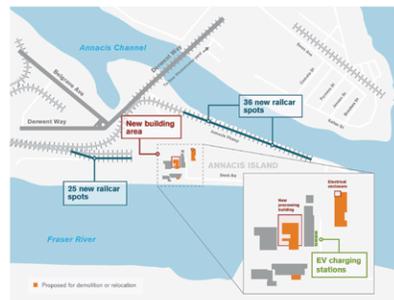
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- Expanding two existing terminal rail yards
- Installing electric vehicle charging stations
- Replacing some terminal buildings with a new vehicle processing facility

This project was identified as a priority by the Greater Vancouver Gateway 2030 Strategy, which recommends ways to improve the region's trade network, while addressing community impacts of goods movement.

The project is funded by the Government of Canada through the [National Trade Corridors Fund](#), the port authority, and the terminal operator, WW Solutions.

Project map



How to participate

From February 23 to March 29, 2022, we invite you to learn about the proposed project and share your feedback. The project team will use the feedback gathered through the public engagement period to inform the project's construction staging and traffic management plan. Other comments will be considered along with feedback from the community, stakeholders and local Indigenous groups, as well as technical, budget and environmental considerations. To participate, you can:

Complete the survey

From February 23 to March 29, 2022, [complete the survey](#).

Attend the virtual information session

In support of government guidance to practice physical distancing to reduce the spread of COVID-19, we are hosting an online information session:

- Date: Thursday, March 10, 2022
- Time: 6:00 p.m.
- Duration: 90 minutes

At this session, project representatives will share information about the project, and be available to answer questions and discuss your feedback.

Sign up for a session here

Watch the recording

A recording of the information session will be uploaded after March 10, 2022.

Provide written feedback

If you are unable to complete the survey online, please contact us to request a digital or paper form.

Email your feedback to

annacisautoterminal@portvancouver.com

Mail your feedback to

Vancouver Fraser Port Authority
Attention: project communications
100 The Pointe, 999 Canada Place
Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3T4

Call us
604.665.9004

Regulatory review

The port authority's federal mandate is to enable trade through the Port of Vancouver while protecting the environment and considering local communities. We ensure port projects meet these requirements through our project and environmental review (PER) process.

The proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project is currently under review ([PER No. 21-019](#)). You can learn more about this process at: portvancouver.com/projectenvironmentalreview.

For questions about the port authority's PER process, please contact the port authority at PER@portvancouver.com or 604.665.9047.

Project partners



Vancouver Fraser Port Authority

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is responsible for overall project management, public and stakeholder engagement and environmental protection.



WW Solutions is a partner in this project and operates the Annacis Auto Terminal

Funding partners

This project is funded by the Government of Canada through the [National Trade Corridors Fund](#), the port authority, and terminal operator WW Solutions.

[Part of Greater Vancouver Gateway 2030](#)

Engagement during COVID-19

The port authority's top priority is the health and safety of our employees, stakeholders and the community. In support of the federal government's guidance to practice physical distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19, we are continuing to conduct engagement remotely.

The Port of Vancouver plays a vital economic role in Canada by connecting consumers and businesses with the global marketplace. Despite the pandemic, the port remains open for business, and the port authority is continuing work to deliver critical trade-enabling projects like the Annacis project.

Over the course of the pandemic, we have found effective ways to share information, and provide opportunities for meaningful dialogue and input. If you have comments about this engagement or project, please call us at 604.665.9004 or email us at annacisautoterminal@portvancouver.com.

Stay informed

Sign up for our newsletter to receive information about this project
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Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Closes: March 29, 2022, 11:50 PM

Share your feedback about the proposed Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project at the Port of Vancouver. Your responses to this survey will be considered by the project team as part of the Project and Environmental Review (PER) process for the proposed project. Your feedback will help us refine our construction staging and traffic management plan.

Participate Now

Approximate time 7 minutes

PROJECT TIMELINE

Project submitted to the National Trade Corridors Fund for funding
2019

Revised project scope approved by Transport Canada
Summer 2021

Preliminary design
Fall 2021

Project and Environmental Review submission
Winter 2022

Public engagement period
February 23–March 29, 2022

Anticipated Project and Environmental Review decision
Spring 2022

Construction begins
Fall 2022

Project completion
Fall 2023

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- February 2022 Fact Sheet Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project
- February 2022 Project Information Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project
- February 2022 Public Notification Letter Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

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Project survey

This survey was available for completion and submission from February 23 to March 29, 2022.



Relationship to the project

What is the best way to describe your relationship to this project? Select all that apply:

- I live near the proposed project
- I work at or near the proposed project
- I travel near the proposed project
- Other (please specify)

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Construction staging and traffic management

If approved, the project will increase truck travel along permitted routes during the construction period – between fall 2022 and fall 2023. Our consultants have analysed existing traffic volumes and flows, and considered whether an increase of up to 15 construction trucks per hour during working hours could be accommodated on the roads near the project area. You can read the report and its recommendations [here](#).

We would like to know how and when you travel near the project area so that your feedback can be considered for the next version of the construction staging and traffic management plan.

Which roads do you typically travel along near the project area? Select all that apply:

- Highway 91
- Derwent Way
- I do not travel to or near Annacis Island
- Other (please specify)

Information session video

The video is available via the engagement page [here](#).

Information session recording: Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

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Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Public information session

Robert Crompton, project manager, engineering, port authority

March 10, 2022

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Information session recording: Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Project rationale

- Increases import capacity within the terminal's existing footprint
- Improves efficiency at the terminal
- Supports national trade growth and increasing demand for hybrid and fuel-efficient vehicle imports
- Enables the consolidation of two automobile terminals into a single terminal at the Annacis site

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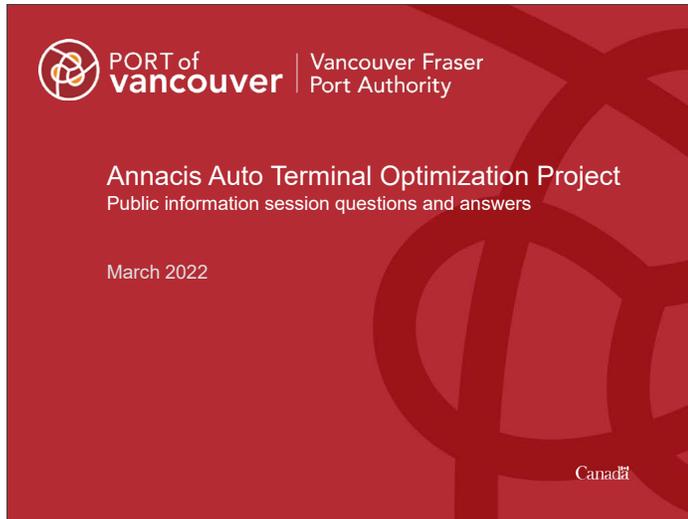
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Information session Q & A summary

The summary is available on the engagement page [here](#).



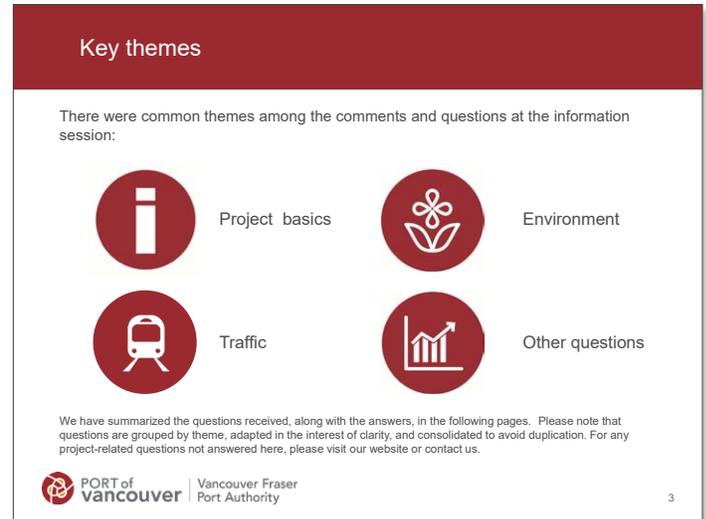
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Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project

Public information session questions and answers

March 2022

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Key themes

There were common themes among the comments and questions at the information session:

- Project basics
- Environment
- Traffic
- Other questions

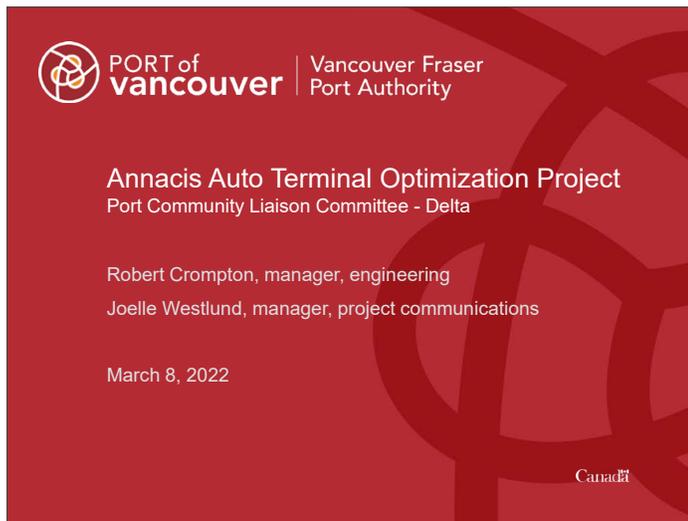
We have summarized the questions received, along with the answers, in the following pages. Please note that questions are grouped by theme, adapted in the interest of clarity, and consolidated to avoid duplication. For any project-related questions not answered here, please visit our website or contact us.

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Port Community Liaison Committee – Delta presentation

The project team presented to the Port Community Liaison Committee – Delta on March 8, 2022.



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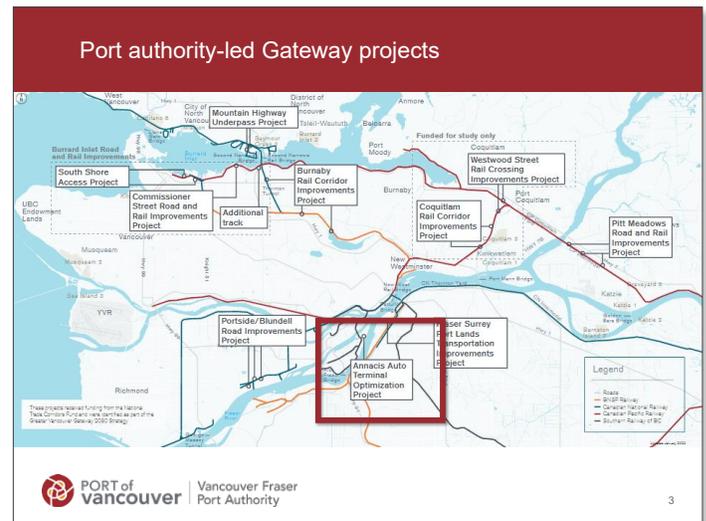
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Port Community Liaison Committee - Delta

Robert Crompton, manager, engineering
Joelle Westlund, manager, project communications

March 8, 2022

Canada



Port authority-led Gateway projects

Map showing various gateway projects in the Delta region, including:

- Mountain Highway Underpass Project
- South Shore Access Project
- Commissioner Street Road and Rail Improvements Project
- Additional track
- Burnaby Rail Corridor Improvements Project
- Coquitlam Rail Corridor Improvements Project
- Westwood Street Rail Crossing Improvements Project
- Pitt Meadows Road and Rail Improvements Project
- Portlander/Gundell Road Improvements Project
- Annacis Auto Terminal Optimization Project
- Upper Surrey at Lands Transportation Improvements Project

Legend: Road, Street/Railway, Canadian Pacific Railway, Canadian Pacific Railway, Southern Railway of BC

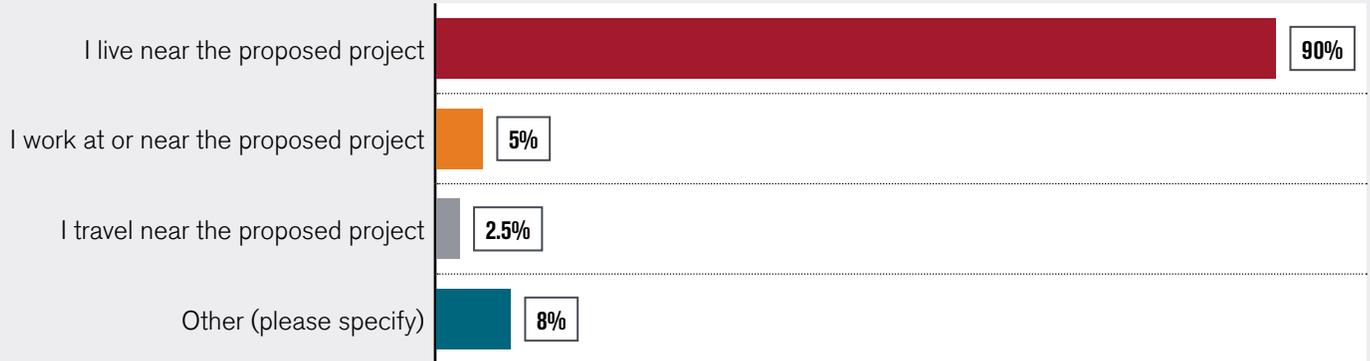
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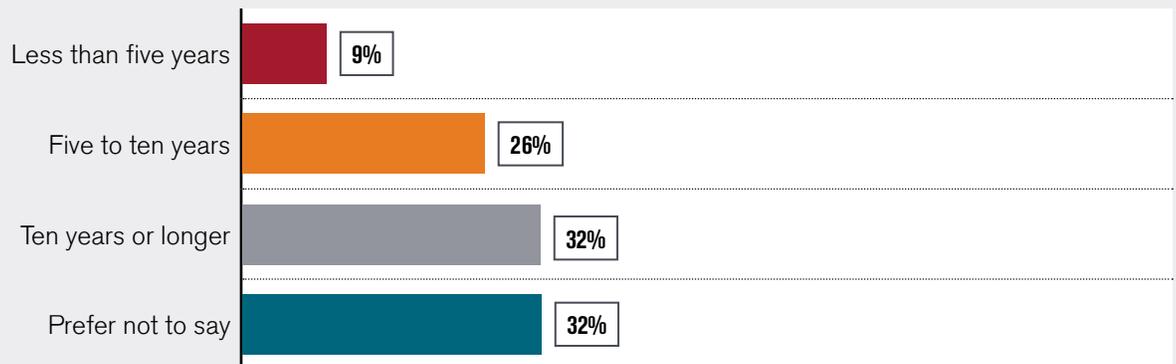
Appendix 4: Survey results

Relationship to the project

What is the best way to describe your relationship to this project? Select all that apply:

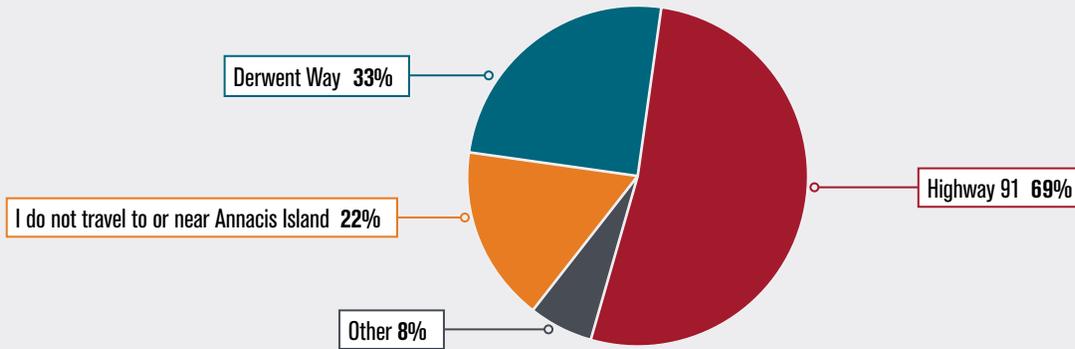


For survey takers who live near the project site: how long have you lived in your home?



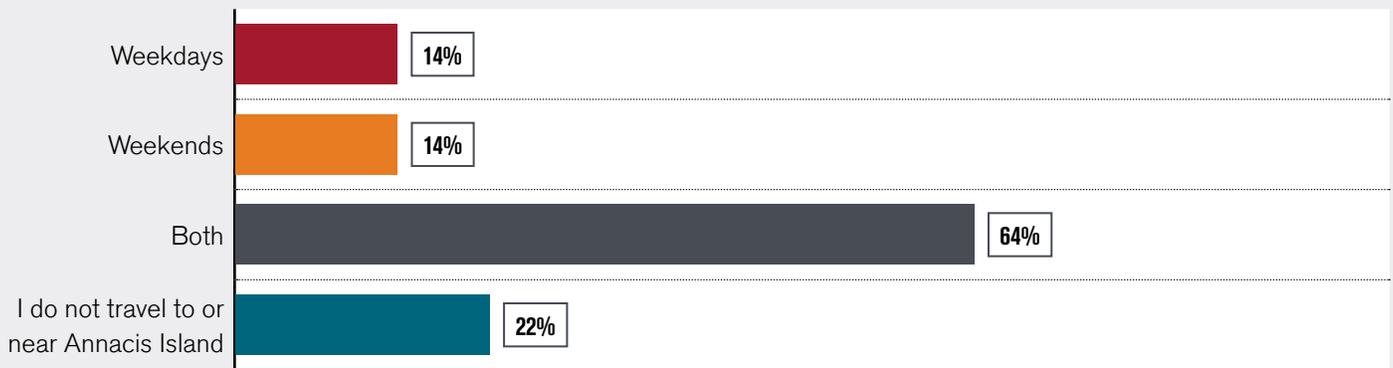
Construction staging and traffic management

Which roads do you typically travel along near the project area? Select all that apply:

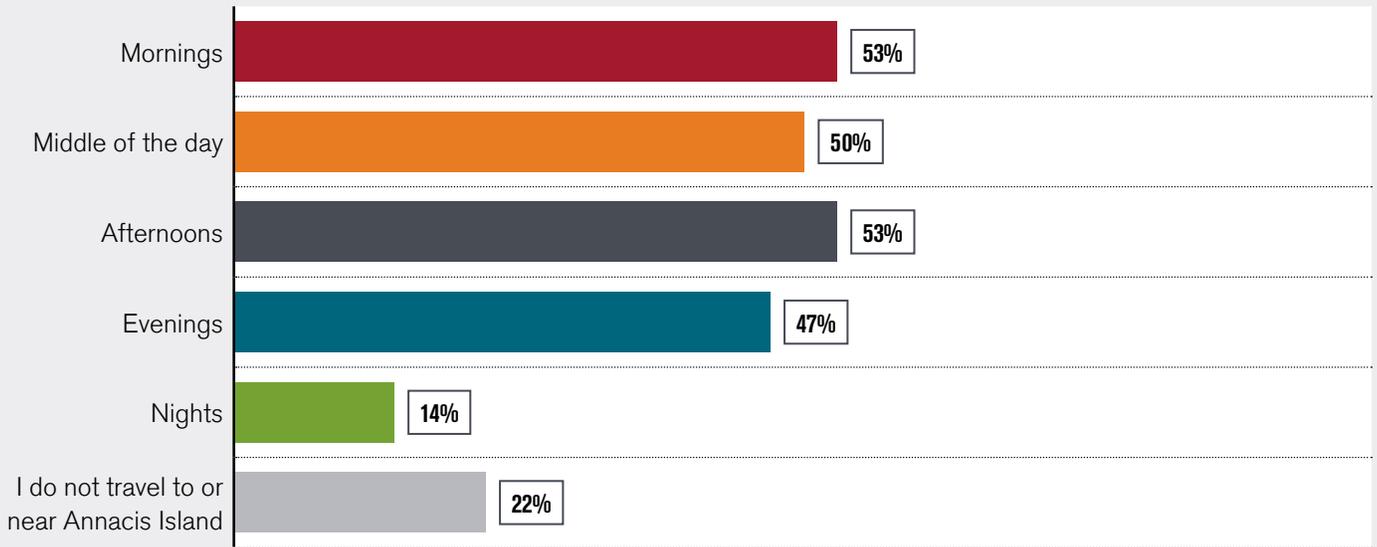


'Other' responses listed streets in the Queensborough neighbourhood that are used to access Highway 91.

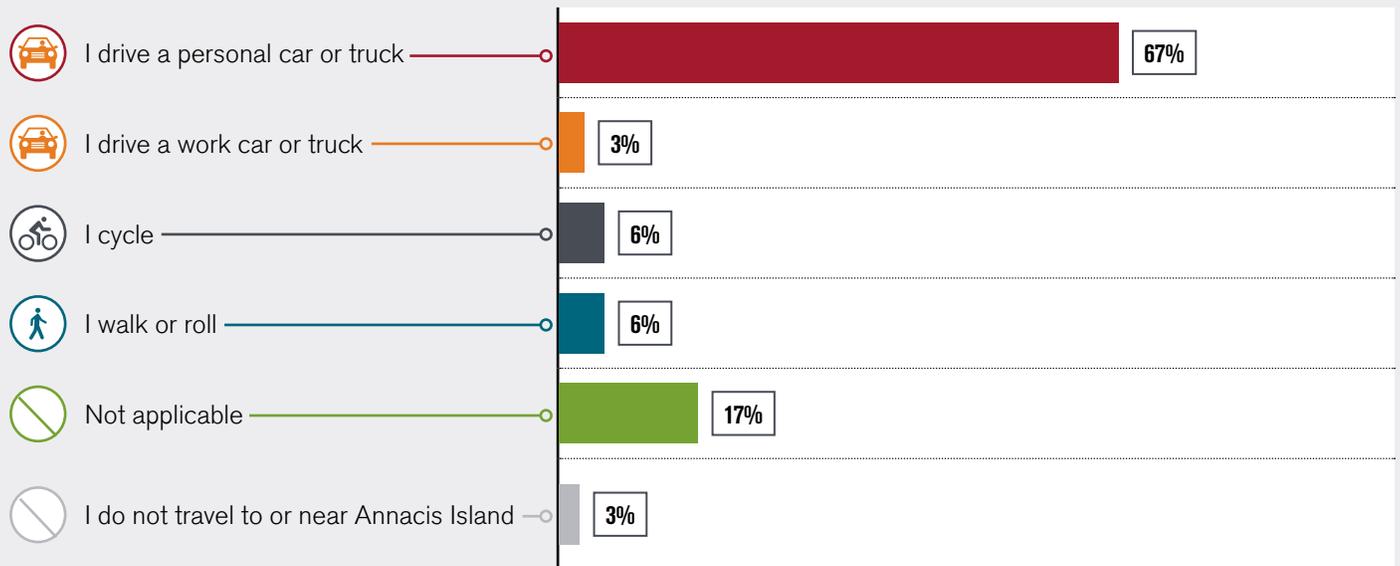
Which days of the week do you typically travel on those roads? Select all that apply:



What times of day do you typically travel on those roads?



How do you typically travel to or near Annacis Island? Select the way you travel most often.



*Other' responses were blank.

Is there anything else the port authority should consider during construction to reduce any impacts of construction traffic on your travels?

Responses to this question included comments on:

- Volume of traffic – participants believe that the area already experiences high traffic volumes
- Peak hours - and the request for construction trucks to avoid travel during these hours
- Truck routes in New Westminster, outside the project area

Sample comment:

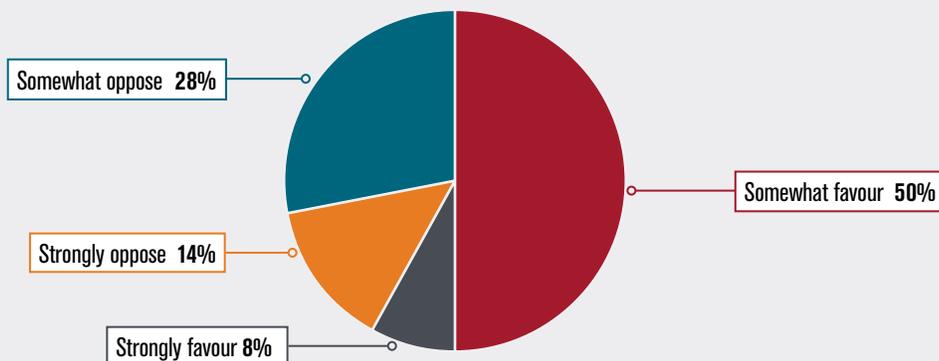
I am in favor of the improvements but would appreciate less traffic during the rush hour times.

General questions about the proposed project

How important is each of the project benefits to you? Select one:

Key themes	Not at all important	Somewhat important	Very important	Unknown
Improving efficiency and capacity of the auto terminal to support Canada's growing auto sector	25%	47%	17%	11%
Supporting climate change resiliency by responding to increased demand for electric vehicles and enhancing shoreline protection	3%	31%	47%	19%
Increasing the resilience of the transportation system by reducing the extent of switching and train building required within the existing yard, leading to smoother yard operations and increased capacity	22%	39%	17%	22%
Supporting further economic development by allowing for auto terminal expansion and freeing up valuable trade-enabling industrial land to be repurposed in support of other export trade development	25%	44%	14%	17%

What is your level of support for the proposed project? Select one.



Do you have any other comments about the construction of this project that you would like the port authority to consider?

Responses to this question included:

- Requests to mitigate construction impacts as far as possible
- Comments on the effects of rail traffic off the terminal

Sample comment:

Please do whatever you can to reduce negative impacts to nearby residents such as noise, dust, pollution, bad odours, etc.

Do you have comments about the project that you would like the port authority to consider?

Responses to this question included:

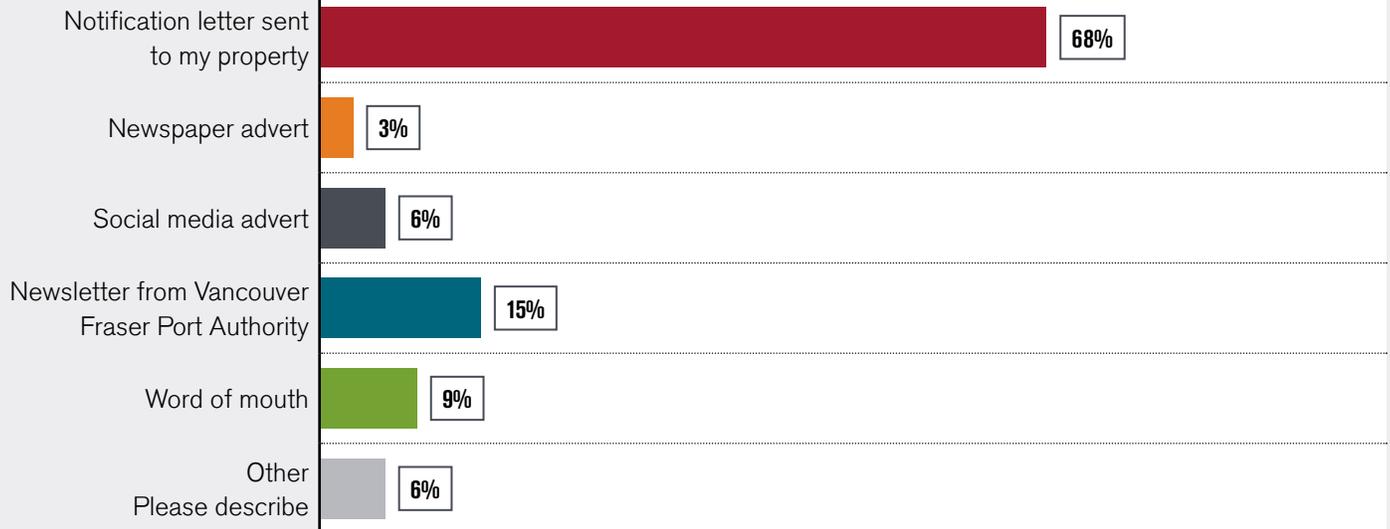
- Off-terminal train traffic, particularly through New Westminster communities
- Truck traffic near the project site, although auto carriers specifically
- Noise from the auto terminal

Sample comment:

I am interested in the increase of train traffic moving these autos from the Annacis site across the rail bridge through the Quayside area.

Keeping informed about the project

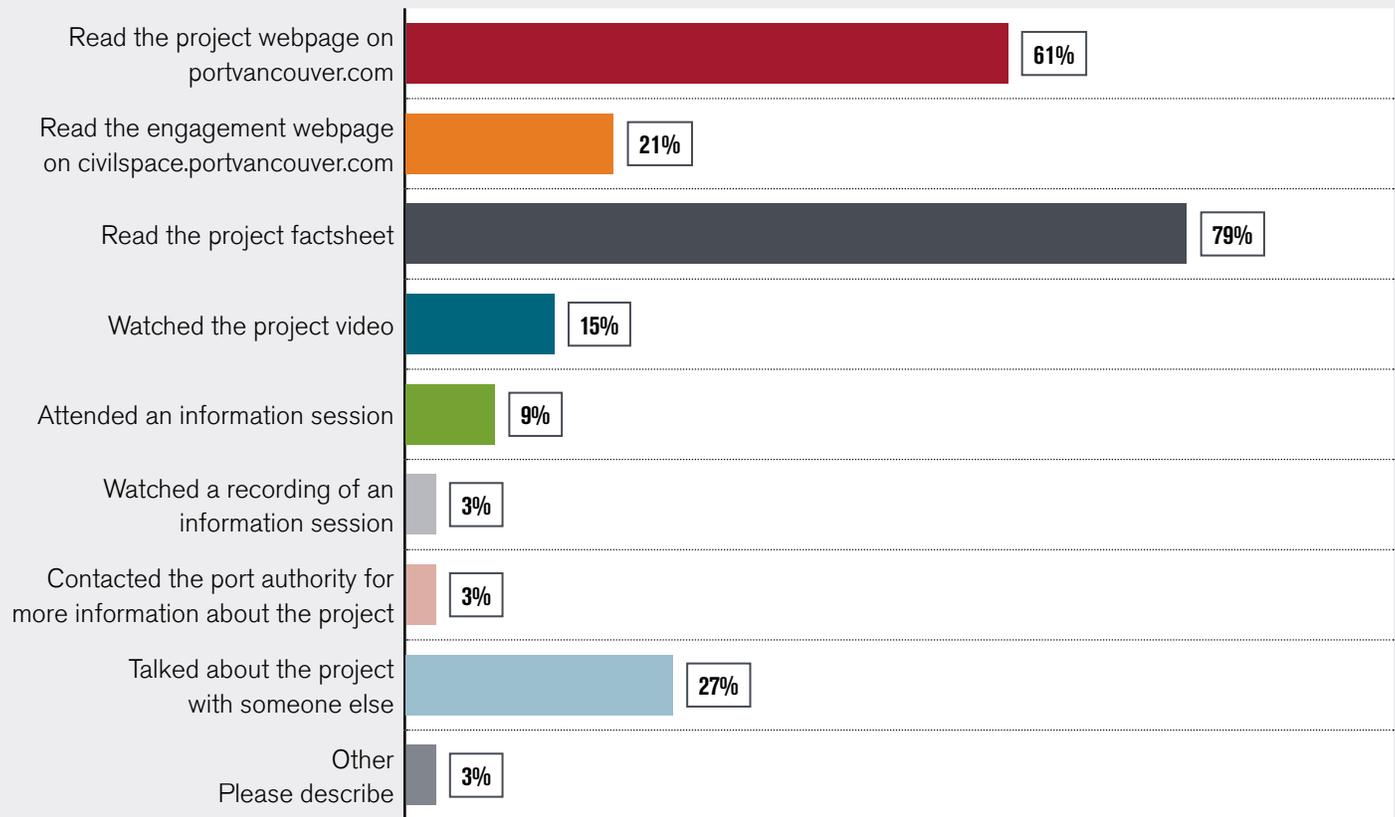
How did you hear about the project? Select all that apply:



*Other' responses were 'unsure'.



Which of the following did you do before taking this survey? Select all that apply:



'Other' responses listed a group discussion with neighbours.

If you had any challenges accessing or understanding project information, please tell us here.

Responses to this question included:

- Clarity of the engagement objectives
- Information shared at the information session



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