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### **Logger Mike coming down next week, replacement carving in the works**

The spar pole in downtown Campbell River will be temporarily without its resident logger this spring while a replacement carving is in the works.

*“The burly icon representing one of Campbell River’s founding industries is weather-worn beyond repair, and the fresh face will be carved in time to be unveiled as part of this year’s Transformations on the Shore chainsaw carving contest,”* says Ross Milnthorp, the City’s general manager of parks, recreation and culture.

The current Logger Mike’s last day up in the air will be Tuesday, March 8.

Before the new Logger Mike is elevated to his place of honour, people will be able to see the replica, and have their photo taken with the carving in late June, at the end of the Transformations on the Shore carving contest at Frank James Park.

The carvings, new and old, will also tour downtown as part of the Canada Day parade.

*“This year’s carving contest and Canada Day celebration will offer unique opportunities to see both Logger Mikes at eye level, as we celebrate this part of our community heritage with one of the larger-than-life characters in Campbell River,”* Milnthorp adds.

The City will seek expressions of interest from prospective carvers.

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