

June 2, 2011

Final Paving on Highway 19A Completed Two Days Ahead of Schedule

The final stage of paving on the South Island highway (19A) between Hilchey and Rockland Road was completed on June 1, two days ahead of schedule. Highway 19A between Hilchey and Rockland Road has now been re-opened to traffic.

After some early delays due to wet weather, crews were able to complete the majority of the paving over the May 28-29 weekend. Line painting and the balance of paving on Simms Road was completed this week.

Tayco Paving and Uplands Excavating were the contractors responsible for the paving and the finishing work. They successfully completed the paving work and re-opened the road two days ahead of the June 3 completion date estimate.

“Paving completion is an important final milestone for the Highway 19A Upgrade Project,” said Acting Mayor Councillor Mary Storry. “We broke ground in March of last year and the final lift of asphalt has now successfully been applied. This project has created numerous local jobs, delivered important new water and sewer infrastructure, and added great value to the entrance to our City. I invite everyone down to see this work, if you haven’t already.”

Some minor traffic slow-downs may occur while remaining line painting is completed, but traffic flow will not stop in either direction during this work.

Funding for this \$13.5 million project has been provided by the federal and provincial governments through the Infrastructure Stimulus Fund (part of Canada’s Economic Action Plan) and the Building Canada Fund, and by City reserves. BC Hydro also contributed through their beautification fund.

For more information on the Highway 19A Upgrade project please visit the project pages on the City of Campbell River website: www.campbellriver.ca

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