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**Expect temporary traffic delays along Highway 19A during sewer upgrade work in south Campbell River
Temporary detours for local traffic to Maryland and Twillingate neighbourhoods**

Construction of Campbell River's south-end sewer upgrade will begin July 19 and last approximately four weeks. Work along Highway 19A between Maryland and Twillingate will take place Monday to Friday between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Work will affect traffic along the highway and access to local roads near the work zone.

Slower speeds, adjusted routes on roadway and temporary delays for through traffic

Single-lane traffic will be required, and lanes will shift on the roadway to make room for construction crews. Drivers should expect temporary delays during the work day, and obey the construction speed limit and traffic control directions in the construction zone at all times. Flaggers will direct traffic during construction hours.

"Please drive with extra care near and through the construction zone, especially when crews and equipment are working. Pedestrians and cyclists will also be making their way through this area, and we urge everyone to be very careful," says director of operations Drew Hadfield. *"We anticipate the road surface will be rough, and cones will mark any changes for traffic flow on the roadway, so the reduced speed limit will be in effect even when crews are not working. Drive with extra caution in the cone zone, and always leave the phone alone when driving."*

Local traffic detours

Two intersections accessing the highway will be closed periodically during construction. Temporary detour signs will be posted for local traffic to the Maryland and Twillingate neighbourhoods. Access the Maryland neighbourhood via Colorado Drive or Washington Drive. Access the Twillingate neighbourhood via Dahl Road.

Some crew vehicles and construction machinery will park along the north side of Twillingate Road. The contractor, Upland Contracting Ltd., is advising nearby property owners about this temporary arrangement.

Pedestrians, cyclists, bus stop and Seawalk

The Seawalk will remain open. Signs will direct pedestrians, and cyclists around the work zone. Temporary fencing will be installed from just north of Twillingate Road to Cherry Tree Lane to keep people safely away from construction material and equipment stored next to the Seawalk.

North and southbound bus stops, benches and signs will be temporarily relocated immediately north during this work. They will be returned to their current location once work is complete.

Please direct any questions or concerns related to traffic or construction activity to Upland Contracting Ltd. by calling 250-286-1148.

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BACKGROUND

This project is the first phase of sewer capacity expansion in the south end of Campbell River that was initiated by the City earlier this year.

In April, Council awarded a contract to Highland Engineering and Upland Contracting to upgrade approximately 170 metres of sewer pipe along Highway 19A between Maryland Road and Twillingate Road. This work was identified as the immediate priority and first phase of upgrades to expand sewer capacity in this growing neighbourhood. Construction is on track to be completed before fall and will accommodate development of all existing approved lots within the sewer catchment area.