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IMPROVED SAFETY AT FOUR CAMPBELL RIVER CROSSWALKS

The City of Campbell River (the City) has installed rapid rectangular flashing beacons (RRFB) at four crosswalks, which enhance pedestrian safety through improved warning lights.

Pedestrians push the button, which triggers the lights that warn oncoming vehicles. Before crossing, pedestrians should ensure vehicles have stopped, look both ways and cross with caution.

RRFBs have been installed at:

- ERT Road and Maple Street
- ERT Road and Evergreen Road
- Highway 19A and Dahl Road
- Highway 19A and Twillingate Road

"Improving crosswalks encourages walking, improves safety and promotes healthy lifestyles and community," says Melissa Heidema, City Transportation Specialist. "Rapid rectangular flashing beacons are one of the many tools the City is using to assist pedestrians and drivers to create safer streets for all road users. Drivers and pedestrians should be mindful of each other, stay aware of the rules of the road, and give right-of-way when required."

Upgrades to the first three crosswalks have been completed. Upgrades to the crosswalk at Highway 19A and Twillingate are waiting for pavement markings to be installed. The City thanks ICBC for its contribution of \$26,800 to the project.

For more information on the many walking amenities in the City, visit <u>campbellriver.ca/walking</u>, email <u>transportation@campbellriver.ca</u>, or call 250-286-5721.

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