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HIGHWAY 19A UPGRADES WORK RESTARTS, ROCKLAND ROAD CLOSURE REQUIRED

The final work required to complete the Highway 19A Upgrades project is now underway – and to complete this year’s task list safely, Rockland Road (between the highway and Galerno Road) will be closed during the construction period.

In 2020, all underground services were installed through the project boundaries – roughly from Simms Creek to Big Rock Boat Ramp. Roadway structure was established, and curbs, lighting and the new roundabout were also installed.

This year, overhead wires will be moved under ground – a task postponed due to COVID-19 – and landscaping will be completed. The work requires extensive coordination with a number of service providers and contractors, particularly through the tightest area at Rockland Road. To give crews room to work and maneuver off the highway, a portion of Rockland Road will be closed again beginning March 22, 2021.

“With this significant waterfront improvement project so close to completion, this year will show residents all of the benefits these upgrades offer, including improved seawalk and cycling areas, new park spaces, new crosswalks, parking and sidewalks and more,” said Mayor Andy Adams. *“We know everyone is eager to see the project complete, and this plan will help us get to the finish line sooner and safely.”*

Along Highway 19A, two-way traffic will be maintained, for the most part. Single-lane alternating traffic will be necessary at times. The work under the roadway is complete, so most work in 2021 will be in the expanded road area, or off the roadway in park areas and boulevards.

“The project team has done an excellent job in adapting the plan to deliver this project despite significant hurdles such as the COVID-19 pandemic,” said deputy city manager, Ron Neufeld. *“This is an example of how changes have to be made to adapt to circumstances outside our control, and we thank everyone for their patience.”*

Rockland Road will be closed as of March 22 until project completion – anticipated in August 2021.

For more information on the projects and what’s to come, visit campbellriver.ca/construction.

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COVID-19

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