

FRONT STREET SEWER UPGRADE

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Metro Vancouver plays a key role in providing safe, efficient wastewater conveyance and treatment for over 2.5 million people in the Lower Mainland. Operating this vast liquid waste system requires ongoing upgrades, improvements, and maintenance.

Project Overview

As part of Metro Vancouver’s commitment to protecting public health and the environment, the Front Street Sewer Upgrade will take place at the intersection of Columbia Street and Front Street in the City of New Westminster this spring. This upgrade will provide additional sewer system reliability and capacity in order to accommodate projected population growth in New Westminster, Coquitlam, Port Moody, Burnaby and Port Coquitlam.

This work will involve the construction of three large sewer pipes and two underground chambers. As a result, a small section of Front Street will be closed to all traffic (please see map below), with a short detour on Begbie Street.

The work is scheduled to take place at an accelerated rate with a fixed deadline in order to reduce the construction time and minimize impacts to the community, commuter and truck traffic.

Schedule & Hours of Work

Construction is scheduled to begin in April 2018 and take approximately six months to complete.

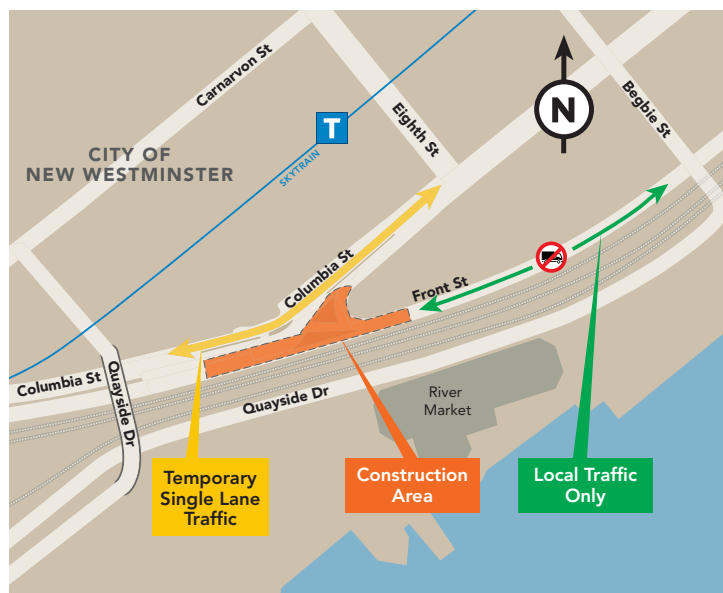
Work will generally occur from Monday to Friday, between 7:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. However, there may be times when crews will need to work longer hours or on weekends to complete certain tasks.

All work will comply with City of New Westminster bylaws or granted bylaw variances.

Traffic Impacts

During construction, Front Street between Columbia Street and Begbie Street will be closed to all traffic (please see map). Detours and safety measures will be in place.

In addition, all truck traffic will be re-routed from Front Street to Royal Avenue. Regular traffic will still be permitted to use Front Street, with a short detour on Begbie Street.



Location of the Front Street Sewer Upgrade at the intersection of Columbia Street and Front Street.



Truck traffic will be rerouted from Front Street to Royal Avenue for the duration of the work. Businesses will remain open and regular vehicles will be allowed on Front Street.

Motorists, cyclists and pedestrians are asked to pay close attention to all construction signage and to follow the direction of traffic control personnel.

Bus routes along Columbia Street may experience delays but are expected to function as usual.

Noise & Odour

All work will comply with City of New Westminster noise bylaws or granted bylaw variances. Where practical, crews will attempt to reduce noise impacts.

There may be some occasional temporary odour associated with this work. Mitigation measures will be in place to reduce odour as much as possible.

Community Liaison Officer

A Community Liaison Officer (CLO) has been assigned to this project who will be available on an ongoing basis to provide project updates. The CLO will meet with businesses prior to construction to discuss the project impacts, compile resident feedback and be available by phone to address any questions or concerns.

Local residents and businesses will receive ongoing notification through newsletters, web updates, email and on site signage.

Project Updates

For additional information on this project, please visit www.metrovancouver.org and search: "Front Street Sewer Upgrade."

Contacting Metro Vancouver

Community Liaison Officer: 604-432-6200 (Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

After Hours Emergency: 604-451-6610

Email: icentre@metrovancouver.org (Please include "Front Street Sewer Upgrade" in the subject line)

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