

First Narrows Tunnel Improvements

We're working in your neighbourhood to improve the delivery of clean, safe drinking water.

Construction starting in your community

September 3, 2020

Metro Vancouver provides clean, safe drinking water to residents and business across the region through a system of reservoirs, water mains, and pump stations. Operating our vast drinking water system, requires constant upgrades and expansion to meet the needs of a growing region.

Metro Vancouver will be replacing and upgrading aging valves that help control water flows through the First Narrows Tunnel Crossing. These valves are housed within two valve chambers located along the Capilano Water Main Corridor ("Capilano Corridor"), one at the intersection of Marine Drive and the other within Metro Vancouver's works yard south of Welch Street. (See map on reverse).

Construction for this project will be completed during the fall and winter months to ensure continued supply of water in the summer, when rainfall is lower and demand for water is higher.

In preparation for this project, Metro Vancouver will be undertaking maintenance and investigative work in September and October 2020. This work includes topographical survey, geotechnical investigations, and valve maintenance work happening in mid-September. These activities may have minor impacts to traffic around the work area.

The work at the intersection of Marine Drive is scheduled to start as early as November 2020 with paving and restoration of the area to take place in January 2021. Construction activities may cause temporary traffic delays for motorists travelling through the area.

Construction within Metro Vancouver's works yard is expected to take place in early 2021 for approximately four months.

When complete, the new valves will ensure the continued supply of clean, safe drinking water south of the North Shore.

Thank you for your patience as we complete this necessary work.



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