



New Storm Drain Pipes Will Improve Drainage in Low-Lying Areas

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For Immediate Release

VICTORIA, BC – On Monday, the City of Victoria will resume construction to install new storm drain pipes in James Bay. The pipes will improve drainage in this low-lying area when high tides are timed with heavy rainfalls. Traffic will be impacted in areas when St. Lawrence Street, from Michigan to Superior Streets, is closed for six weeks starting in early March.

During the closure, non-residential traffic will be directed to Oswego Street at Dallas Road and Belleville Street to minimize disruption. Crews will make every effort to reduce their impact on the neighbourhood. The Times Colonist 10K race in April will not be affected.

The first phase of the project began in October, consisting of a new pipe and outfall installed at Fisherman's Wharf. This phase will include installing new storm drain pipes from the Fisherman's Wharf Parking lot to Michigan and Superior Streets.

To complete this phase by mid-May, work will occur Monday – Saturday, from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. Residents and businesses will be notified by mail and signs will be posted.

The City of Victoria is committed to improving and maintaining Victoria's aging underground infrastructure which dates back to 1891, and greatly appreciates the public's patience.

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