



New Water Main Installation on Douglas Street May Impact Commuter Routes

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For Immediate Release

VICTORIA, BC — To accommodate the installation of a new water main on Douglas Street between Hillside Avenue and Topaz Street, traffic will be reduced to one lane northbound heading out of town on weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. starting **Monday, October 5, 2009**. The work is expected to be completed by the end of November.

On **Sunday, October 4, 2009**, from 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., the intersection at Douglas Street and Hillside Avenue will be reduced to one lane northbound on Douglas Street, and one lane in both directions on Hillside Avenue. Access to Hillside Avenue will be limited.

Neighbouring residents and businesses have been notified by letter as the work will be noisy at times and may temporarily impact access to property. Signs will be posted. BC Transit and emergency services have been advised of the work.

Motorists and cyclists are encouraged to use other routes to avoid delays.

Installed in 1962, the existing cast iron water main pipe is brittle and is no longer adequate, having been damaged over time by the roots of boulevard trees. The new iron ductile pipe will be more durable, and will be installed in the roadway to avoid the removal of any street trees. The new 380-metre section of water main will have a projected life span of 100 years.

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