

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **ERWS Construction Commencement and Trail Closure**

With the award of the contract for the Englishman River Water Service project for the water intake, water treatment plant and Top Bridge reservoir transmission main, the contractor, Knappett Projects Inc, has advised the City of their intent to begin initial work on February 20. This work will involve the clearing and grubbing of some of the vegetation located in Top Bridge Park.

To accommodate this work and necessary for the ongoing safety of residents and visitors, a section of the Top Bridge Regional Trail will be closed during construction. This closure will occur from south of the E & N Railway overpass to sections within Top Bridge Park. Closure signage will be posted at trailhead locations at the Industrial Park access, the end of Greig Road and in the parking lot at Top Bridge Park.

Please be reminded construction activities and the associated truck traffic pose a risk to the public and we ask all parties respect the trail closure as it is for the safety of the public.

When construction of the transmission main along the E & N Railway and Top Bridge Park is complete, a trail will be built over top of the transmission main which will enhance the community's multi-use trail network and provide a strong east to west connection from Top Bridge to Springwood Park.

It is anticipated the Englishman River Water Service project will be completed during summer 2018 which allows compliance with Island Health's operation conditions for the project. Once this significant community project is complete, the community's water system will ensure high-quality, safe water which will exceed Canadian Drinking Water Guidelines and the project will be sized to handle water demands for future generations.

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