

Parksville Pathway Phase 1 Construction to Begin

At the January 19 meeting, Council approved the contract award for the Parksville Pathway Project Phase 1 to Graf Concrete and Iron Inc for \$999,999 plus GST. Construction of the 1.1-kilometre pathway which follows existing sewer line and trail, will begin this month with completion scheduled for October. The objective of phase 1 is to connect the Parksville Community Park at Corfield Street North to the north end of Shelly Road and The Nature Trust of BC trailhead property, traversing along forest, estuary and urban areas.

What the public should expect during construction

Pedestrian access to The Nature Trust of BC estuary property at both Mills Street and Shelly Road will be maintained during construction; however, the public should expect some disruptions during construction.

- Parking lot at 132 Corfield Street North will serve as a temporary site office and truck turnaround. Public parking will be available when possible; otherwise, Parksville Community Park lots should be used.
- Road works on Corfield Street North and Nerbus Lane are scheduled for early spring.
- During construction, there will be times when parking is restricted on Mills Street and Shelly Road, and access to the informal pedestrian path connecting Shelly and Mills may also be limited.
- Vegetation clearing outside the riparian areas will take place in early spring with construction in the wetland areas during summer.

The Parksville Pathway Project is part of a broader strategy to improve accessible pedestrian connectivity within the City. This initiative is being undertaken in collaboration with The Nature Trust of BC and its partners, enabling the development of a pathway crossing both City-owned land and land owned by Nature Trust, all situated within the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, Qualicum and Snaw-Naw-As First Nations. The pathway project was identified by the City in the 2013 Official Community Plan and included in subsequent plans for future pathway connectivity. For further information and background about this project, refer to [Let's Talk Parksville](#).

Questions about the project should be directed to engineering@parksville.ca or 250 951-2484.



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*The City of Parksville is located on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Nations,
home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.*