

McKenzie Interchange Project Spring 2016 Comment Period

Appendix 2: Notification Materials

August 2016

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING

Public Notice of Information Session McKenzie Interchange Project

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure invites the public to attend an information session regarding the McKenzie Interchange Project located at the intersection of the Trans-Canada Highway and Admirals Road and McKenzie Avenue.

This will be an opportunity for the public to review and provide input on the project. Ministry staff will be available to provide information and answer questions.

The drop-in information session is scheduled for the following date:

Wednesday, May 18, 2016 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall 753 Burnside Road West, Victoria, B.C.

For those unable to attend the information session, the information presented will be posted on the ministry's web site.

For more information, please visit our web site: http://engage.gov.bc.ca/mckenzieinterchange/ Or contact us by telephone at 250 387-8700 or by e-mail at mckenzieinterchange@gov.bc.ca





Check out the newly updated designs for the #McKenzie interchange project bit.ly/10CxBam #yyj





McKenzie Interchange design updates include noise mitigation, environment, cycling, pedestrians,

transit http://bit.ly/27Bt8Aq #yyj 5:55 pm - 18 May 2016





Bring your <u>#yyjMcKenzie</u> Interchange questions to the open house today 3:30-7:30pm

http://bit.ly/10w9Mkx #yyj

8:59 am - 18 May 2016



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Get the details on McKenzie Interchange design at info session tomorrow http://bit.ly/10w9Mkx #yyj

#yyjmckenzie

3:15 pm - 17 May 2016



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Learn more about McKenzie Interchange design this Wednesday bit.ly/1Ow9Mkx #yyj









Learn more about McKenzie Interchange design at info session next week http://bit.ly/1OpYKNI #yyj

#langford

7:05 pm - 12 May 2016



Drop in to learn more about McKenzie Interchange design Wed May 18 bit.ly/1OpYKNI #yyj #bchwy1





WATCH: A bit of background on the chosen new Mckenzie Interchange design and its benefits. Video:

http://bit.ly/1rfJoq0 #yyj 11:37 am - 26 Apr 2016



And the Mckenzie Interchange choice is....partial cloverleaf. 75% of those who provided feedback,

picked it. http://bit.ly/1NPX1kn #yyj 11:20 am - 26 Apr 2016



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Did you give input re: #yyjMcKenzie? See the ongoing results page on how input leads to action

http://ow.ly/vn3T301wIXe

9:30 am - 22 Jun 2016



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How does your input inform decision-making? Check out Your Input, Your Impact on #yyjMckenzie:

http://ow.ly/GEWH301fPqG

11:30 am - 14 Jun 2016



Today's the last day to submit a feedback form for the #yyjMcKenzie Interchange Project:

http://ow.ly/z7GO3016KVw #yyj

11:35 am - 10 Jun 2016



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Feedback form on the #yyjMcKenzie interchange project open til June 10. Share your thoughts:

http://ow.ly/FzJV3010JYO #yyj

11:40 am - 7 Jun 2016



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Comments still invited on the <u>#yyjMcKenzie</u> Interchange Project. Complete the feedback form here:

http://ow.ly/mQSj300QVYX

10:30 am - 2 Jun 2016



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Get your feedback in on <u>#yyjMcKenzie</u> only 2 weeks left! http://ow.ly/BxTi300EKOK <u>#Saanich</u> 11:00 am - 27 May 2016



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Don't forget to get your online feedback form in by June 10 for #McKenzieYYJ

http://ow.ly/f6S4300qcQr

12:20 pm - 23 May 2016



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RT @TranBC: Learn more about McKenzie Interchange design this Wednesday bit.ly/1Ow9Mkx #yyj #yyjMcKenzie



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Open House on #yyjMcKenzie on May 18 from 3:30-7:30 pm. More details here:

http://ow.ly/itBZ300g78i #yyj #BContheMove

2:30 pm - 16 May 2016



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Attend the #yyjMcKenzie Interchange open house May 18 in #Saanich #yyj 3:30 – 7:30 p.m.

http://ow.ly/kK6e3009l3i

10:30 am - 13 May 2016



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Design chosen for <u>#yyjMCKenzie</u> Interchange Project. Attend the info session May 18 to learn more:

http://ow.ly/4ndGjn

11:50 am - 30 Apr 2016



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#McKenzie Interchange Project: next Info Session on May 18 in Victoria. Read more here:

http://ow.ly/4nal3C #yyj

10:58 am - 27 Apr 2016



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RT @BCGovNews: Final concept chosen for McKenzie interchange, http://ow.ly/4n7f8v @TranBC

@DriveBC @toddstoneBC #YYJ #yyjMcKenzie #BC

11:20 am - 26 Apr 2016

INFORMATION BULLETIN



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For Immediate Release 2016TRAN0094-000770 May 12, 2016

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

McKenzie Interchange project moves forward; further design work showcased

VICTORIA – The public is invited to attend a drop-in information session on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, regarding the detailed design of the new interchange at the intersection of the Trans Canada Highway (Highway 1) and McKenzie Avenue.

This session is an opportunity for the public to review additional details for the selected partial cloverleaf design that are a result of public feedback and continued discussions with First Nations and key stakeholder groups. Details include cycling and pedestrian connections, noise and environmental mitigation strategies, and construction timelines and staging.

Staff from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and other members of the project team will be available to go over the information, answer questions and provide further details on the project.

If you are unable to attend, the information presented will be posted online after the start of the open house at: http://engage.gov.bc.ca/mckenzieinterchange/

You may also send comments or questions to the project team by phoning 250 387-8700 or sending an e-mail to: mckenzieinterchange@gov.bc.ca

Public Information Session:

Date: Wednesday, May 18, 2016

Time: Public is invited from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Location:

St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall 753 Burnside Rd. W. Victoria

Media Contact:

Government Communications and Public Engagement Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure 250 356-8241

NEWS RELEASE



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For Immediate Release 2016TRAN0102-000806 May 18, 2016 Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Detailed plan, environmental improvements, released for McKenzie interchange

VICTORIA – The Province released an updated design today for the McKenzie interchange project that includes new details on noise mitigation, environmental enhancements, as well as additional features for cyclists, pedestrians and transit users.

"The McKenzie interchange project continues to move forward as we work to tackle the number-one bottleneck outside the lower mainland," said Transportation and Infrastructure Minister Todd Stone. "This project will lower commute times, make travel safer for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers, and improve air quality by getting rid of idling traffic."

The ministry has included input from stakeholders, including the District of Saanich and other groups, to develop the project in an environmentally responsible way. The plan now includes a detailed environmental strategy to mitigate any impacts from construction, both within the project limits, as well as a comprehensive strategy for Cuthbert Holmes Park. The ministry will add new trees, shrubs and plantings, address storm water with new drainage, and construct a new trail along the north side of the park, with native trees to buffer the highway noise. Once construction is finished, air quality in the area will improve with less idling cars.

Details are also now available for the noise mitigation plan, which will include three-metre-high concrete walls along sections of the highway right-of-way. In addition, the raised portions of the Galloping Goose Trail will be used as a sound barrier, and noise will be further reduced by dropping the highway under McKenzie/Admirals. Once construction is finished, noise levels in nearby neighbourhoods along Highway 1 will be noticeably lower.

The designs on display also include details around trail connections to schools and bus stops, as the ministry works to make the new overpass more convenient and safer for pedestrians, cyclists and transit users.

As well, the project team outlined its strategy to minimize travel delays during construction. This includes relocating the Galloping Goose Trail as part of the initial development to keep cyclists and pedestrians at a safe distance from construction activities. Next, the highway on- and off-ramps and new lanes on McKenzie will be built so traffic can use the new lanes while the existing highway is excavated and lowered for the new bridge.

Today's open house runs until 7:30 p.m. in Saanich at the **St. Joseph the Worker Parish Hall**, and the ministry will collect online feedback forms until June 10. The project team will also continue to receive feedback from the community and stakeholders with additional meetings.

Learn more:

http://engage.gov.bc.ca/mckenzieinterchange/

A backgrounder follows.

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BACKGROUNDER

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Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

McKenzie interchange project design details

The McKenzie interchange will improve safety, congestion and reliability. The current intersection has a collision rate almost three times the provincial average, and is the number-one bottleneck on Vancouver Island. As well, unpredictable travel times affect transit service levels and commuters. The ministry is moving forward with design work and has released additional details regarding noise mitigation and environmental improvements, as well as additional features for cyclists, pedestrians and transit users.

Partial cloverleaf design:

The partial cloverleaf design was selected after thorough technical analysis showed it to be the safest, most efficient design that also best meets the long-term needs of the region. Analysis shows this design will result in:

- Reduced frequency and severity of crashes, providing \$30 million in safety benefits over the first 20 years (\$4 million more than any other option),
- Substantial travel time savings,
- Elimination of long queues on Highway 1 and McKenzie, which will stop drivers from shortcutting through neighbourhoods,
- Elimination of long queues on Admirals Road northbound, enhancing local access to neighbourhoods,
- Improved transit reliability and connections, encouraging increased transit use,
- Reduced noise for neighbouring residents through lowering of Trans-Canada Highway and addition of noise walls,
- Enhanced enjoyment and safety for Galloping Goose Trail users through grade separation and noise walls, and
- Reduced idling and fuel consumption, leading to lower greenhouse-gas emissions.

Environmental plan:

A comprehensive plan has been developed that includes:

- Clearing invasive plant species and planting new trees, shrubs and vegetation to replace plants and trees that are removed,
- Establishing new planting areas adjacent to schools,
- · Addressing storm-water drainage by building a new treatment area,
- Taking measures to prevent any sediment or construction materials from reaching the water during construction,
- Ensuring protective measures are in place, including special monitoring and buffer zones during bird breeding season.

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The Province will make the following improvements to mitigate environmental impacts in Cuthbert Holmes Park:

- Increasing the amount of park land by transferring unused ministry-owned lands to Saanich for the park,
- Building and re-establishing trails,
- Constructing a new park trail along the north side of the park, complete with native tree buffer from highway,
- Incorporating a new trail head and kiosk at the parking lot off of Admirals Road with interpretive signage, and
- · Planting new areas of trembling aspen.

Pedestrian, cyclist and transit user features:

The ministry will build new bus-on-shoulder lanes with transit signal priority. In addition, the new bus stops will be well-lit, with shelters, and will have fully accessible pedestrian connections. The detailed plans also include where buses will travel and where the new and future bus stops will be located around the interchange.

For cyclists and pedestrians, the Galloping Goose Trail will include dedicated overpasses at both McKenzie Avenue and the Trans-Canada Highway so that cyclists and pedestrians will no longer have to cross in front of vehicles. The new overpass for cyclists and pedestrians will be more than twice the width of the existing path, and the trail will be widened to meet the growing number of cyclists and pedestrians. The grades at the overpasses will be gentle, not exceeding four per cent. The ministry will also install new lighting along the trail and on the accesses to the nearby schools, which see an average of 350 students every school morning.

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ENGAGEMENT WEBSITE



McKenzie Interchange



Welcome to the McKenzie Interchange Project engagement website.

The purpose of this website is to provide you with information about the McKenzie Interchange Project and allow you an opportunity to provide input and share your thoughts, at phases throughout the project.

The Province of B.C. and the Government of Canada are investing \$85 million in the development and construction of the $McKenzie\ Interchange\ Project,\ a\ new\ interchange\ on\ the\ Trans-Canada\ Highway\ at\ the\ Intersection\ with\ Admirals\ Road$ and McKenzie Avenue in Saanich. The intersection is the number one bottleneck on Vancouver Island. The project will $help\ improve\ traffic\ flow\ in\ the\ Capital\ Regional\ District, while\ reducing\ collisions\ and\ improving\ pedestrian\ and\ cyclist$

You can learn more and provide input by:

- · Continuing to visit this site for project updates
- Sending an email to mckenzieinterchange@gov.bc.ca
- · Calling 250 387-8700
- Signing up to receive email updates to get more information.

The input received, along with technical and financial information, will be considered as we design the McKenzie Interchange Project. Discussions with key stakeholders including local governments and community associations are continuing, and the project is on track for construction to begin later this year.

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