



NOTICE TO PARENTS AND RESIDENTS

Passage of School Buses and Private Vehicles Along 15th Street and 13th Avenue During Fall 2022

The District of Invermere is undertaking the replacement of municipal sanitary sewer collection and water distribution pipes located under 13th Avenue during the summer and fall of 2022. This is the second of two phases of infrastructure replacement along 13th Avenue. MarWest Industries Ltd (Castlegar) has been contracted to do Phase 2 of the work. While the project is progressing well, it will not be completed before public schools reopen in Invermere on September 6, 2022.

School District #6 (Rocky Mountain), District of Invermere, and MarWest Industries Ltd (MarWest) have prepared a plan that supports the movement of School Buses along 13th Avenue in the morning and afternoon so that students can be transported to and from Eileen Madson Elementary School, J.A. Laird Elementary School, and David Thompson Secondary School. Construction has progressed and the section of 13th Avenue between 10th Street and 14th St will be paved and opened to traffic before the start of School. However, construction is still ongoing along 13th Avenue between 14th Street and 15th Street, and 15th Street between 13th Avenue and 12th Avenue.

To avoid disrupting construction and creating safety concerns, vehicles and pedestrian traffic will not be allowed to access or drive through 13th Avenue between 14th Street and 15th Street. Vehicles will also not be able to access 13th Avenue from 15th Street. Furthermore, as construction progresses along 15th Street between 13th Avenue and 12th Avenue, this road will be closed to pedestrian and vehicle traffic to support sewer and water infrastructure replacement.

During construction, some detours may change, motorists and residents are asked to follow the traffic detours as marked, or the directions given by traffic control personnel. Fortunately, the interruptions to the regular movement of School Buses and Private Vehicles along 13th Avenue will be temporary. MarWest expects to complete the remainder of the project and repave impacted roads by the end of October.

Recommendations for Parents and Residents during 13th Avenue construction:

- Expect some traffic delays along 15th Avenue and other nearby roads, especially before and at the end of school days, and allow extra travel time.
- At all times, yield to school buses to help support the drop off and pick up of children.
- If possible, walk instead of drive to your destination (e.g., school, work, shopping).
- To help keep children and young adults safe direct them to avoid all construction areas along 13th Avenue and 15th Street.

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Map of Area:



