



June 24, 2021

Re: Commissioner Street Vehicle Access Control System (VACS) traffic lane shifts/closure from June 25 to September 30, 2021

The Vancouver Fraser Port Authority is writing to notify you of the upcoming VACS lane closure on Commissioner Street from June 25 to September 30, 2021. This lane closure will affect the VACS gates and outbound traffic. The exit VACS lane will be relocated one lane to the north reducing total inbound lanes from three to two during this period. The closure is required to facilitate the relocation of the Metro Vancouver sanitary sewer and associated works associated with the Commissioner Street Road and Rail Realignment Project.

As part of the Commissioner Street Road and Rail Realignment Project, the port authority is undertaking road work to widen and realign Commissioner Street to the north between Nanaimo Street and Renfrew Street in order to make room for Canadian Pacific Railway (CP) to add additional rail tracks. This project is being done to help improve the cargo capacity of port terminals on the south shore of Burrard Inlet in preparation for growth in Canadian trade, and received funding from the Government of Canada through the [National Trade Corridors Fund](#).

What to expect:

- Starting on **June 25 until September 20, 2021**, we are continuing the lane closure of VACS exit lane 4 at the entrance to Commissioner Street. The outbound lane 3 will be shifted one lane to the north
- VACS lane 4 will be **closed to all** outbound traffic and exiting traffic will be diverted to lane 3 for outbound movements
- VACS lanes 1 and 2 will remain **open to inbound/westbound traffic only**
- VACS lane 3 is the temporary exit lane **open to all** for outbound traffic
- Oversized loads exit must be scheduled with VFPA land-operations during typical working hours and will be exited through lane 1 in coordination with traffic control personnel

Work hours:

- Monday to Sunday from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. with the exception of work during a **24 hours** period on the following days:
 - July 15 to July 17, 2021
 - July 19 to July 23, 2021
 - August 5 to August 7, 2021
 - August 12 to August 14, 2021
 - August 16 to August 21, 2021
- Extended work hours (outside typical work hours) for September will be communicated in August

Traffic impacts:

- Inbound traffic on Commissioner Street may experience slight delays as only two inbound VACS gates will be available to process inbound traffic
- Traffic control personnel will be staged on both sides of the VACS gates to enforce the traffic pattern changes
- Emergency vehicles will be given priority access

We greatly appreciate your patience and understanding as we complete these important upgrades to port roadways.

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CSRR Lane closure on Commissioner Street

If you have questions about this project, please contact the project team at csrr@portvancouver.com or by phone at 604.665.9563. For more information about these projects, visit portvancouver.com/commissioner and sign up to receive our e-newsletter.

Sincerely,
Vancouver Fraser Port Authority