



Construction and traffic update

June 30, 2022

Ongoing progress in building a safer and more reliable highway

Progress continues in upgrading the Trans-Canada Highway through the rugged Kicking Horse Canyon east of Golden. The project, which will result in a straighter, faster and safer highway less vulnerable to rockfall and avalanches, remains on track to be completed in winter 2023-24.



Grizzly Viaduct June 2022: Concrete girders being installed



Frenchman's Bridge June 2022: Apparatus being prepared to install girders



Blackwall Bridge June 2022: Formwork being removed from pier caps

Highway 1 fully open for Canada Day weekend

The Canada Day long weekend is one of the busiest on British Columbia highways, and the Trans-Canada Highway through the Kicking Horse Canyon will be open without construction delays from 7 am June 30 through 8 pm on July 4.





Construction traffic management in July - a new bridge in service!

Shortly after the Canada Day long weekend, two-way traffic will be shifted onto the future eastbound lanes of the new Sheep Bridge at the western end of the project. This will be a relatively minor traffic pattern change, but a significant step in putting new infrastructure into service. Once the traffic is shifted, work can proceed on the future westbound portion of the bridge. Similar shifts in traffic to newly-built bridges and viaducts are planned later in the year.

During the month of July, summer hours will be in effect. In general, this means no daytime stoppages, except occasional brief interruptions to move materials or equipment or accommodate turning trucks. Expect half-hour stoppages in the evening and overnight closures from 10 pm to 7 am. Friday nights will have half-hour stoppages overnight (instead of full overnight closures) and there should be no stoppages at all from 7 am Saturdays until 8 pm Sundays. See all of the details on the highway.status.planning.calendar, and check DriveBC to confirm up-to-the minute conditions.



Finishing touches are applied to Sheep Bridge before it opens to traffic in early July

Fall 2022 extended closure announced

Kicking Horse Canyon Constructors has announced its planned multi-day, 24-hour extended closure for the fall, to occur from September 26 (beginning at noon) to November 30 (ending at 6 am on December 1). The highway will be opened for the Thanksgiving long holiday weekend (from noon October 7 until noon October 11). See the formal notice here, and refer to the highway status calendar for details.



Keep our construction zones safe!

It is human nature, consciously or unconsciously, to try to make up lost time, especially following a construction delay. However, between the natural hazards that have always existed in the area, the roadway conditions in the construction zone and the proximity of construction workers and equipment, motorists are urged to please observe posted speed limits and drive with extra caution in the canyon. There are ample passing opportunities at both ends of the construction zone, and a little patience will go a long way in keeping workers and the travelling public safe.



Have you seen our Spring 2022 progress video?

A year into construction, our <u>latest progress video</u> was posted along with <u>a project update news release</u> a few weeks ago. Have a look at both!



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