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Good evening Mayor and Council,

I am writing to advise you of an emerging issue necessitating the urgent closure of Waterfront Rd beneath Canada Place

A portion of the Waterfront Road below Canada Place Street is supported by a small aging concrete structure. This structure dates back to when the area was serving CP rail. In early 2000's, as these lands were redeveloped, the remnant structure was buried and a road was constructed over it. Recent inspections of the structure have highlighted that some areas are in poor condition. City's consultant has recommended that the road supported by the structure is closed until the structure is further inspected and recommendations on how to address its condition are developed.

Out of an abundance of caution, the road closure will be implemented on the evening of January 14th, 2025, with signage and traffic control measures. The approximate location of the closure is adjacent to Pan Pacific hotel receiving area and Canada Place service road exit (please see photo below).



Figure 1: approximate location of the road closure below Canada Place

The road will be closed until further notice. City staff recognize the importance of this road and will prioritize the work required to reopen Waterfront Road while mitigating impact of closure as much as possible, including access to the area for deliveries, etc. City staff will be communicating the road closure to the following stakeholders and will also be communicating the closure via traffic advisory:

- Cadillac Fairview
- Downtown & Gastown BIAs
- Translink - Seabus
- Translink - Skytrain
- Helijet
- Parks Board
- Pan Pacific Hotel
- Canada Place Operations Center
- VFPA Operations Center

Destination Vancouver

Hullo Ferry

Harbour Air

EasyPark

Pinnacle Hotel

Shaw Tower

Port Authority

Convention Center

Please note that access and deliveries for Pan Pacific Hotel and Canada Place Operations Center that utilise Waterfront Road will still be possible.

Please direct any media inquiries to media@vancouver.ca. As we learn more about the condition of the road and next steps we will develop and share messaging.

Best,

Paul