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# January 16, 2019

# Update: Hastings-Sunrise Adanac Overpass

Dear Residents and Business Owners,

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to connect with us to provide feedback since the Adanac Overpass was closed to all private vehicle traffic. During this time, City staff collected data to assess traffic volumes and how the use of the Overpass impacts the area.

# Monitoring Complete and Restrictions Lifted

Monitoring of the Adanac Overpass is now complete, and vehicle restrictions and barriers will soon be removed. Please follow the current restrictions in the meantime until the barriers are removed to avoid ticketing and ensure safety for all users.

In coordination with the reopening of the Adanac Overpass, access to the Rupert Street southbound connection will revert to transit vehicles only soon after.

### Next Steps: Upcoming Consultation

In Spring 2019, staff will be reaching out to the community to consult on a few different options that can best mitigate traffic volume and speeding in the neighbourhood. Stay tuned for more information in spring 2019, which will be provided through mail notifications and online at vancouver.ca/adanacoverpass, where you can also sign up for the e-newsletter.

### Thank You for Your Feedback

Staff heard from residents both to the east and west of the Adanac Overpass, as well as many residents further away.

Feedback includes:

- A sense of increased safety along Adanac Street and nearby streets, especially for children, in light of the decreased vehicle volume.
- Reports of an increased number of vehicles along streets with a connection to Hastings Street between Renfrew Street and Boundary Road (for example, Skeena Street and Pender Street).
- Reports of some vehicles continuing to use the Adanac Overpass despite the vehicle restrictions and enforcement by the VPD.



- Some interest in removing the vehicle restrictions to facilitate vehicle connections between the east and west sections of the Adanac Overpass. This is reflected in the use of the Overpass as a community connection by residents of both Burnaby Heights and Willingdon Heights.
- Some interest in exploring various options to generally reduce traffic volume and speeding in the area.
- Positive sentiments from residents west of the Overpass regarding the temporary removal of personal vehicle restrictions on the Rupert Street southbound connection.

# **Background**

The Adanac Overpass is frequently used by non-local drivers, particularly during weekday peak periods, to bypass traffic on nearby arterial streets.

In May 2017, the City hosted a listen-and-learn session in response to safety concerns from residents.

# What We Heard

- Residents are concerned about non-local traffic short-cutting through the neighbourhood
- Areas of particular concern are the Adanac bikeway, and streets adjacent to and near A.R. Lord Elementary School.

The temporary closure was in response to neighbourhood concerns about the use of the overpass, and was timed with the FortisBC Gas Line Upgrades along E 1st Avenue to help mitigate additional short-cutting during the closure

# Resources

- Adanac Overpass: <u>vancouver.ca/adanacoverpass</u>
- FortisBC Gas Line Upgrades: <u>talkingenergy.ca/project/fortisbc-gas-line-upgrades</u>

Thank you for your ongoing patience and understanding during this period of third-party utility construction and monitoring as we work with your community to mitigate safety concerns.

Sincerely,

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