

Improvements Projects in Parksville Wetlands

Replacement of pedestrian bridge

The pedestrian bridge into the Parksville Wetlands from Despard Avenue West, removed in late 2022, is now undergoing replacement. The old bridge will be removed today with replacement work scheduled to start on September 5 and completion expected by September 15. The City has been working with an environmental professional to provide appropriate access into this area of the wetlands and construction of a pedestrian bridge to meet provincial requirements.

We wish to remind residents an alternate access to the wetlands is available to the east through the Regional District of Nanaimo rail trail at Springwood Park off-leash park parking or north by means of the Maple Glen walkway.

Pathway repairs

As well, repairs to a pathway in the wetlands is scheduled to start the week of August 28 with expected completion by September 15. The repairs are along the new section which initiates near the Renz Road entrance and parallels north of the railway connecting to the older pathways in the park. The map shows the project area and section of the pathway which will be closed to the public while work is underway. We request park users respect all signage and directions from the contractor.

We appreciate the public's patience while they conduct this work in the wetlands.

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