LETTER: Cap detours not a speedway

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Dear Editor:

The Capilano water main project has resulted in significantly more traffic using Delbrook, Highland, Ridgewood and other streets. Projects such as the Montroyal Bridge replacement and ongoing construction in Edgemont Village will result in ongoing disruptions.

Pedestrians and cyclists attempting to cross these busy arterials are particularly vulnerable. Nobody wants to lose many metres of elevation walking down to a marked crosswalk only to climb back after crossing. And I suspect few taxpayers want higher taxes to pay for various types of crosswalks, flashing or traffic lights every few blocks.

Drivers using these busy arterials are cautioned to put away the phone, slow down and watch for pedestrians, no matter what time it is.

Police have become creative, using techniques such as cherry pickers to nab offenders. If you support such techniques and would like to see them expanded to officers riding bikes, riding transit, taxis, or walking dogs and partnering with volunteers from the community to crack down on speeding and distracted driving, please make your wishes known to your local police force.

Please drive as if you lived on the street you are driving on. And you might want to take the orange "local access" sign off your mirror as it could obscure your view of a pedestrian.

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