

PUBLIC NOTICE: ANTI-TRAIN WHISTLING

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO PASS WHISTLE CESSATION (ANTI-TRAIN WHISTLING) RESOLUTIONS

The City of North Vancouver and Squamish Nation announce their intent to pass resolutions implementing train whistling cessation at two (2) railway grade crossings. The expected Council dates will be scheduled following approval from CN Rail.

The whistle cessation resolution is proposed at the following two (2) railway crossings:

CROSSING POINT

1. Forbes Avenue Squamish Subdivision,
Mile 0.19

LOCATION

2. Mosquito Creek Marina Squamish Subdivision,
Mile 0.23

Train Whistling requirements are controlled through the Canadian Rail Operating Rules (CROR). Rule 14(L)(ii) requires train whistling for all public crossings "except as may be prescribed in special instructions". The relevant railway company can initiate an exception by issuing a special instruction to its locomotive engineers, which eliminates the application of Rule 14(L)(ii).

Transport Canada sets out the guidelines that must be followed in order for a special instruction to be issued. Depending on the character of the railway crossing, Transport Canada may require safety measures such as flashing lights, bells, gates and signs. The City and Squamish Nation retained the consulting services of AECOM to conduct a railway grade crossing safety assessment and to design the necessary improvements required to satisfy Transport Canada's guidelines.

These improvements have been completed and inspected and the City of North Vancouver and Squamish Nation now intend to pass resolutions to implement whistle cessation (anti-whistling) at the above mentioned crossings.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the above matter and want your comments to be included in the review process, you must submit your comments in writing to either of the email addresses below no later than October 15th, 2014:

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