



# VILLAGE UPGRADES

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Moving the Village Forward - 2016 / 2017



## Wrapping Up Until Next Spring

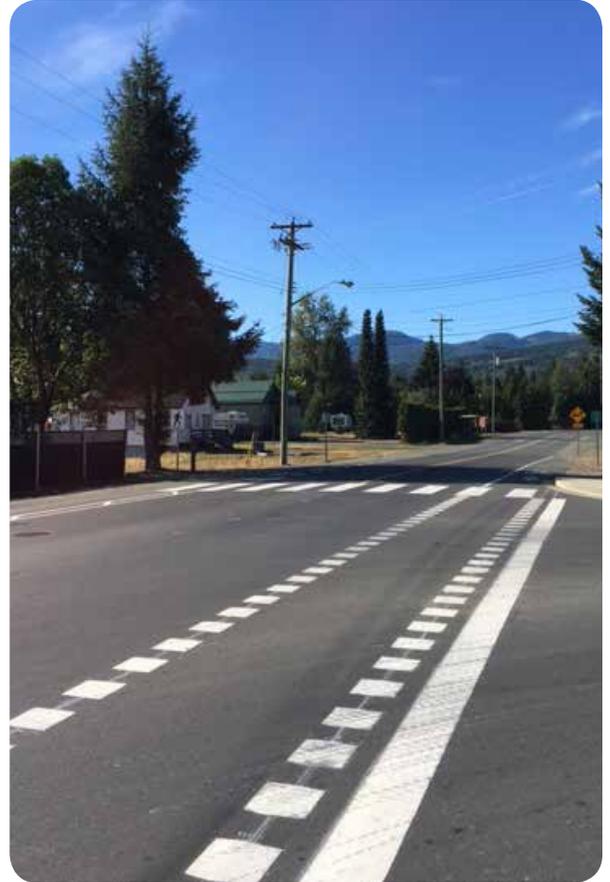
After five months of work resulting in significant improvements to the main entrance to the Village and the route to the landfill, work is wrapping up on Bevan and Cumberland Roads.

This phase of the project included replacing water lines, improving drainage, widening the roadways, replacing asphalt, and adding sidewalks, bike lanes, and landscaping.

“We know this phase of the project has been particularly challenging for Cumberland Road businesses and residents surrounding the construction zone and we thank the entire community for its patience and understanding,” said Mayor Leslie Baird.

The contractor was able to finish the planned work ahead of schedule. The long, hot, dry summer (while very dusty) contributed to the speed of at which the work was completed, as did the courtesy extended by Village residents and visitors. Landscaping will be finished up as weather allows over the next few weeks. Crews will return in spring 2018 to complete the work on the wetlands section of Cumberland Road.

Improving underground infrastructure and roads is a key priority for Village Council – and this marks another important milestone for the community.



View from Bevan Road towards Village core



Hope Road crosswalk

### What's Happening Now:

While most of the work is complete, there are still landscaping crews working to finish levelling, seeding and planting along Cumberland Road. There may be intermittent delays so watch for crews and drive safely.

- Landscaping continues, weather permitting
- Finishing up deficiencies



## Wetlands Section - Settling Until Spring 2018

As was explained in the August newsletter, peat was replaced by rock crush to “pre-load” the ground through the wetland section on Cumberland Road. Pre-loading weights the area, compressing the silt as it settles over the winter, creating a firmer foundation and accelerating the settlement process. This reduces the possibility of shearing between the existing road and the new six-metre section under pre-load.

Sections of the road through the wetland area were temporarily paved (fillet pavement) for winter and will remain in place until the settling period is complete. The expected settling of the pre-load material will be monitored over winter. Then in the spring a stable base will be prepared, and the newly-widened roadway will be paved. Until then, the cement block barrier will also remain in place.

In addition to paving the last section of road, the spring 2018 work will include finishing the dedicated bike lanes and adding landscaping touches along this area.

Pre-loaded area



## Turning Right, Yield to Cyclists

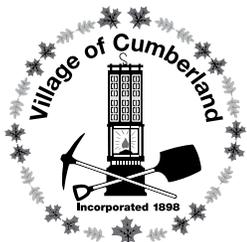
With the addition of the new bike lanes, there has been some confusion as to the meaning of the new signage and painted lines (see accompanying photo) along Cumberland Road. While the current signage will be replaced soon with a standard sign used elsewhere in the province, below are some tips to ensure both driver and cyclist safety.



- When turning right across a bike lane, drivers need to yield to cyclists who are proceeding straight – the cyclist proceeding straight has the right-of-way.
- Cyclists in the bicycle lane have lawful authority to pass by on the right of an overtaken or waiting vehicle because there is a clear lane on the right of the vehicle for the cyclist to use.
- Where a bicycle lane is marked with a single solid white line right up to the intersection (like the ones along Cumberland Road), drivers are required to approach the intersection for a right turn remaining to the left of the bicycle lane at all times. The turn is initiated after entering the intersection and making sure no cyclists are affected.
- Drivers should always signal, check their mirrors and blind spot before turning right.

## How to stay in touch

This newsletter was produced monthly to share information about the Village Upgrades project and distributed by hand, email, mail and social media. With most of the disruptive work now complete, this newsletter won't continue on a monthly basis. Watch for it again in Spring 2018 when there are updates to share. In the meantime, here's how you can keep in touch:



- Check out the website: [Cumberland.ca/villageupgrades](http://Cumberland.ca/villageupgrades)
- Email questions/comments to [villageupgrades@cumberland.ca](mailto:villageupgrades@cumberland.ca)