

# UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT LANDS: Roads, Transit, Cycling & Walkways

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There are numerous entities involved in the provision of transportation services and infrastructure on the Point Grey Peninsula. There also multiple utilities, including water, storm, sanitary, telephone, cable, fibre optic, electric and gas under most roads on the Peninsula.

## TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

**Local Roads** in the UEL are maintained directly by the UEL Administration staff with some contracted work; those in the University Neighbourhoods Association area (UBC) are maintained by UBC (and UNA) and those in Vancouver, by the City.

**Major Roads** within the UEL are funded and managed through the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure; maintenance of roads is contracted to Mainroad Lower Mainland Contracting LP. There are approximately 60 lane-kms of Major Roads within the UEL area and UBC, equally split between the two areas.



Major Roads in Point Grey

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### DID YOU KNOW...

There are complex overlapping jurisdictions on some roads, such as Wesbrook Mall (UBC, UEL, Ministry of Transportation & Translink) and Blanca Street (UEL & City of Vancouver).

### WHAT ARE “LOCAL” AND “MAJOR” ROADS?

The term “Local Roads” means the roads within communities which provide access to fronting properties and are not arterial or other significant roads. “Major Roads” are primarily the arterials in an area (shown on map in red).

Within Vancouver, the City looks after Major Roads such as 10th and 16th Avenues. Such roads in Vancouver (shown on map in blue) receive some funding through TransLink as part of the regional Major Road Network, but roads in Vancouver are generally owned and operated by the City of Vancouver.

### DID YOU KNOW...

UBC is one of the largest travel destinations in the region after downtown Vancouver. It generates in excess of 125,000 trips per day, of which about 50,000 are on transit.

### TRANSLINK

Decision-making for transit is relatively complex with the majority of decisions being made by the TransLink Board. Learn more about how TransLink works at [www.Translink.ca](http://www.Translink.ca)

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**TransLink** (*the South Coast BC Transportation Authority*) is responsible for all transit services in the UEL, UBC and City of Vancouver. Transit services (currently articulated buses, regular buses and community shuttles) are provided by TransLink, with 12 bus routes, one night-bus route and three community shuttle routes all terminating at the main transit exchange, the UBC Loop. All regular bus routes and one of the community shuttle routes pass through the UEL. There are no transit services internal to the UEL area, but transit services are relatively good for UEL and UNA residents, given UBC as a prime regional transit destination.

## CYCLING AND WALKWAYS

Most of the cycling and pedestrian facilities (that are adjacent to residential areas) in the UEL area are maintained by the **UEL Administration**, except sidewalks and separated bike paths along major roads and trails within Pacific Spirit Park.

- ◆ Decisions regarding most of the cycling and pedestrian facilities in the UEL area are dealt directly by **UEL Administration**; those along the major roads are made by the other areas of the **Province** (Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure).
- ◆ Walkways and cycling facilities within UBC are the responsibility of the **University**. Decisions regarding the trails within Pacific Spirit Park are made by **Metro Vancouver**, which has one Director from Electoral Area “A”.

## LOOKING AHEAD...

As the population of the area grows, there will be pressure on transit services for the local population in both UEL and UBC neighbourhoods as well as for sufficient ongoing attention to roads, cycling and walkways.