

HIGHWAY 1 INFORMATION & UPDATES

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Winter Driving Tip: Be Seen



We all know how important it is to follow the laws that require winter tires and chains on BC's highways from Oct 1 to Apr 30. Equally important, but more often forgotten, is the importance of using your lights.

It is difficult to see other vehicles during dark, wintry days. Remember:

- Daytime running lights are dimmer than headlights
- Tail lights do not turn on with your daytime running lights
- Make sure to turn your vehicle lights all the way on - headlights and tail lights
- Tail lights are an important part of being seen from behind, especially in winter when days are shorter and rain, fog and grey days are common
- The visual cue of the interior dash lights does not always mean your headlights and tail lights are on

Check out this [helpful video](#) to learn how to check if your tail lights are on.

Truth and Reconciliation

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation was observed by all three Alliance project teams, some with on site ceremonies and activities and others observed the day with their teams through sharing and learnings. Participants learned about the history of September 30th and the significance of Orange Shirt Day, the impacts of colonialism and residential schools and the realities of inter-generational trauma in the area.

The Falls Creek Team observed the day with a smudging ceremony followed by a delicious lunch provided by Kanaka Bar.

The Nicomen River Bridge team was led in a smudging ceremony and enjoyed lunch catered by a member of Cooks Ferry and a mother / daughter team from Kamloops, as they reflected on the day and its meaning. This was observed by both the day and night shifts on site.

The Tank Hill team observed the day by sharing important history and learnings and encouraged everyone to honour the day by wearing an orange shirt.



Know before you go

Check Current Highway Conditions

- Toll Free: 1 800 550-4997
- [B.C. weather alerts](#) from Environment Canada
- Visit [DriveBC](#) for road and weather conditions

For more information about winter driving, visit:



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Tank Hill



Project Overview

Located 13 km east of Lytton

Status: On schedule

Updates:

- Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) Railway is onsite installing its railway bridge structure over the creek
- CPKC pile driving to take place in December
- Tank Hill Alliance is working on refining designs for the highway project
- Yellowhead Road and Bridge will be working on clearing a culvert to the east side of the project site

Nicomen River Bridge



Project Overview

Located 17 km east of Lytton

Status: On schedule

Update:

- Installing the temporary detour bridge + rockfall fencing
- Travellers can expect to wait up to 20 minutes due to periodic highway stoppages and single-lane alternating traffic

Falls Creek



Project Overview

Located 20 km south of Lytton

Status: On schedule

Update:

- Bridge deck is complete
- Bridge construction is ongoing, those traveling through the site should expect 30-40 mins of wait time due to single-lane alternating traffic
- Please be cautious when following the pilot vehicle

B.C. Highway Flood Recovery Projects Highway 1 Fraser - Thompson

For all Highway 1 Flood Recovery Project updates, please visit: gov.bc.ca/Highway1FraserThompson
or contact us at HRPHwy1.Info@gov.bc.ca

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Staying Safe



After the forest fires this summer, please be aware that fire-damaged landscapes hit by intense rainstorms or snow melt can increase the potential for debris flow. Very hot fires form a hard, water-repellent crust on the soil that cannot absorb water, which just runs off. Fires also remove vegetation that protects against erosion. If there are heavy rainfall events forecast some areas of Highway 1 will be preemptively closed to ensure the safety of the traveling public.

Parts of Highway 1 are also known avalanche areas. To prevent avalanches, temporary closures for snow removal may be required.

The best way to stay safe under extreme conditions is to avoid driving until the weather improves. If you must drive, remember to check [DriveBC.ca](https://drivebc.ca) for road and avalanche conditions before you go, and always keep an emergency kit in your car.

For more information about winter driving, visit: [Shift Into Winter](#)

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