

Ships Point Improvement District (SPID) Report for July 2016

Open House

The design of the new pipelines and connections for SPID's water system upgrade is almost complete. In November, the Board of Trustees and the Water Technical Committee will host an Open House at our office to review the plans and discuss details of the upgrade. The date and time are to be determined. Notices of the Open House will be sent to each household on Ships Point.

Public Lands versus Private Property

Over the years, residents' gardens and some trees and shrubs have expanded from private property to public land. For the new pipeline construction the following policy is in place:

- Trees and other plantings in front of homes that are on public property may be removed or destroyed. They will not be replaced in kind. The contract will include a minimum restoration of the areas affected that will include compacting, topsoil and seeding.
- Sufficient notice will be provided for homeowners to remove plantings from the affected areas at their own cost.
- Driveways will be replaced in kind or better.

SPID does not consider it fair and equitable that all ratepayers pay for individual landscaping extras on public property.

More email addresses, please!

Over the course of Phase II of the water project (the pipeline construction phase), scheduled to begin in the spring of next year, there will be disruption to residents along the route. The construction contract will be set to limit the disruption but there will be times when road passage and access to homes will be limited, water supply will be interrupted and water quality to your home may be temporarily impacted. We intend to send email notices to those who will be affected. Please send your name, email address and street address to admin@spid.ca. As required by law, your privacy will be protected.

The water system upgrade will ensure an enduring and sustainable system that will deliver safe quality water and provide fire flows to meet insurance requirements for the foreseeable future. It will enhance the property value of each and every home on the Point. As your Board of Trustees and your neighbours, we ask for your patience and co-operation as we move into this new phase.

<p>Water Emergency? Please call our water operators 250-335-0354 or 250-702-5724 or 250-335-2775</p>
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