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Construction to begin on gas line replacement project in Burnaby

Surrey, B.C. – September 27, 2021: Work will start on a new gas line this November to ensure more than 35,000 homes and businesses in Burnaby, Coquitlam and New Westminster continue to receive the energy they count on.

As the province's largest energy provider, FortisBC is investing in the infrastructure needed to provide our customers with safe, reliable and affordable energy today and into the future, while working to [reduce their emissions by 30 per cent by 2030](#) to meet our 30BY30 target. The Pattullo Gas Line Replacement is part of this work, ensuring our system can continue to supply energy to local homes and businesses once a gas line attached to the Pattullo Bridge is removed as part of the province's bridge replacement project.

The six-kilometre gas line replacement project in Burnaby will go along Sperling Avenue, Glencarin Drive, Lakefield Drive and 4th Street – [a route announced earlier this year](#) following more than two years of technical investigations and local engagement.

“We believe working closely with local and Indigenous communities is essential to successfully delivering a major infrastructure project like this,” said Doug Slater, vice-president of external and Indigenous relations with FortisBC.

“Our Pattullo Gas Line Replacement project incorporated feedback received during engagement. The project is creating economic opportunities for local and Indigenous companies, and will include construction of new cycling and walking infrastructure that the community can enjoy for years to come.”

FortisBC has partnered with the City of Burnaby to design and build the new cycling and walking path along the proposed route to provide a lasting local benefit for the community.

“A key goal in Burnaby's updated Transportation Plan is to make it easier for residents to make the shift to active transportation,” said Burnaby Mayor Mike Hurley.

“This is a great opportunity to add a significant piece of infrastructure that supports this goal and it will create a fantastic connection to the city's greenspaces.”

The community can expect to see road and lane closures along the route to allow crews to complete work safely and as quickly as possible, with full details being made available at the project webpage talkingenergy.ca. FortisBC will work closely with residents, businesses and facilities along the route to minimize local construction disruptions. Work on the new gas line is expected to be completed by the end of 2022.



The community is invited to participate in virtual information sessions on October 14 and 19, where they can learn more, ask questions and provide feedback. For more details on the project including the upcoming information sessions, visit talkingenergy.ca/pattullogasline. You can also contact the project team directly at 604-576-7208 or pattullogasline@fortisbc.com.

The B.C. Utilities Commission approved FortisBC's application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity in June 2021, which includes installing a new underground pressure regulating station at the intersection of 16th Avenue and 4th Street.

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