

Yuułu?ił?ath Government

Highway 4 Road Closure Schedule

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The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure released an update on Highway 4 maintenance and scheduled road closure. Please see below for important details to prepare your travel accordingly.

Beginning Monday, July 17, 2023, crews will undertake essential rock scaling on the hillside affected by wildfire along Highway 4 on Vancouver Island. This work is critical in ensuring the long-term safety of the corridor. A geotechnical assessment of the bluff has determined rock scaling is required before the highway can be safely reopened to two-way traffic at Cameron Lake Bluffs. This work will involve removing loose rocks above the highway. While this work is underway, the highway must be closed to keep crews and travellers safe from rockfall hazards.

Closures will be in place from:

- 9:00am until 5:00pm, Monday to Friday; beginning Monday, July 17 until mid-August
- Two-hour opening to flush traffic daily (Monday to Friday) between 11:30am and 1:30pm
- Single lane alternating traffic will remain outside of closure times and on the weekend

What travellers can expect:

- 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., queued traffic will be released, with single-lane-alternating traffic (SLAT).
 - There will be a westbound release at 11:30 a.m. and an eastbound release by 12:30 p.m.
- The current system for SLAT will remain, including:
 - o Pilot cars on rotation will lead traffic through the area.
 - The length of the SLAT is approximately two kilometres.
 - o The construction zone speed limit is 30 km/h.
- Drivers should prepare for lengthy queues and challenging driving conditions along the detour route.
- Drivers are encouraged to fuel up and bring extra supplies, food and water for both routes, and will be expected to move through the SLAT on Highway 4 with the pilot cars.
- Vehicles will not be permitted to stop at parks or along roadsides in the area.
- No passing will be permitted in the work zone.
- Tow trucks will be staged at either end of the closure to assist motorists in the event of breakdowns, to limit disruptions to the flow of traffic.

Learn More:

For the full release visit: Slope stabilization work on Highway 4 moves toward full reopening | BC Gov News

Sincerely,

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