



TOFINO HOUSING
CORPORATION

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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For Immediate Release

Temporary Tonquin Trail Closure for Geotechnical Testing

TOFINO B.C. – During the week of November 5th, 2018 a section of the Tonquin Trail near the Peterson Road access will be closed to public access to allow Gibson Bros access to excavate geotechnical digging test pits along the Tonquin Trail. These pits will allow a geotechnical engineer, McElhanney Consulting Services, to evaluate the condition of soil and rock in preparation for the Tofino Housing Corporation's affordable and attainable housing project. While some tree removal will be involved, this work is not the beginning of full-scale land development.

This type of geotechnical investigation is 'due diligence' work that will allow the Tofino Housing Corporation to confirm subsurface conditions, which will inform the further refinement of proposed road, servicing and building designs to practical and cost-efficient designs.

To protect the safety of the public, this work will involve closing of a portion of the Tonquin Trail for a day (see attached map). We will endeavour to provide as much advance notice as possible. Please respect signage near the work site.

Background:

The Tofino Housing Corporation (THC) is a corporation wholly owned by the District of Tofino with the mandate to provide affordable and attainable housing to Tofino residents and employees. THC is planning for the development of a portion of municipally-owned land in District Lot 114 (DL 114) for attainable and affordable housing. THC anticipates the development of 35 units of housing in a mix of townhouses and apartments. The Tofino Bible Fellowship (TBF), through a partnership with the THC, is planning for the development of a further 20 units of rental housing and a small community resource centre that will host a variety of community programs. Together, these two developments will be clustered in a portion of DL114 near Peterson Drive. For more information on preliminary development plans please see www.tofinohousingcorp.ca.

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