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## ▶ Annual General Meeting - April 8, 2026

### Agenda

- Approval of 2025 AGM Minutes
- Receipt of 2025 Financials
- Election of Directors
- Update on Current Activities and Projects
- Infrastructure Discussion – Q&A
- Mapping Application Demo – Grant Watson
- Presentation:
  - Gregg Strong – Bike Packing in Mongolia

\* Any additions requested to agenda?

# **Our Volunteers are Incredible!**



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**We want to recognize that our success is 100% driven by the amazing volunteers who choose to help with all our various programs and to help guide the organization!**

**We are incredibly grateful for the time and effort provided by so many dedicated people over the years!**



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# Approval of 2025 AGM Minutes

\* Motion to approve minutes

# 2025 Financials



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Income	
Adult Ed Grant (HUB)	\$5,000
Donations	\$1,900
Memberships	\$2,085
Other	\$1,000
School Cycling Program	\$8,500
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$18,485</b>

Expenses	
Advertising and Website Exp	\$348
Bank, Paypal, Square Fees	\$153
School Cycling Program	\$8,966
Adult Ed	\$2,580
Insurance - CGL/D&O	\$1,867
Meeting Expenses	\$381
Other Expenses	\$40
Software Costs	\$180
Supplies	\$240
Volunteer Appreciation	\$458
Website	\$120
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$15,332</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$3,153</b>

YE 2025 Bank Balance = \$19,660

\* Motion to approve financials

# Membership



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- 156 members for 2025
  - Ask your favourite bike shop about discounts for members
  - Free adult safe cycling lessons (social rides)
  - Direct input to municipalities regarding infrastructure priorities and issues
- Over 1,000 followers on Facebook and 400+ on our email list

\* Please support us by purchasing a membership and following us on Facebook

# B.C. Cycling Coalition “BCCC”



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- Umbrella group for ~30 Active Transportation Groups around BC
- Quarterly round table discussions with other member groups
- BCCC actively lobby MOTT for changes to the Motor Vehicle Act including passing laws, lower urban speed limits, and many others...
- **FREE to join** (charitable receipt if you make a donation)

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# Elections



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- Thank you to the following people who have generously agreed to stand as nominees to various board positions as indicated:

Position	Nominee
President	Mike Keohane
Vice President	Charles Tremewen
Secretary	Lawrence Vea
Treasurer	Grant Watson
Director at Large	Brian Schoneberg
	Mike Koski
	Mitch Crowe
	Tina Douglas
	Sue McKitrick

- **Role of board members**
- **Call for nominations and elections**

# Our Priorities



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## **Our Mission:**

To encourage cycling as an effective, economical, healthy and environmentally friendly mode of transportation.

### **1. Education – help cyclists to safely navigate existing infrastructure**

- School Cycling Program (SD 71)
- Adult Education (“Ride Right” Program)

### **2. Advocacy**

- Work with staff and elected officials in all CV jurisdictions to assess needs and help prioritize infrastructure improvements

### **3. Special Events/Projects**

- Bike Parking at major events
- Safe Cycling Routes - Mapping

# Why Do We Promote Safe Cycling?



## Global

- Better for the **environment**
- Lower **carbon footprint**



## Local

- Fewer vehicles on road (**less congestion**)
- Less wear and tear on roadways (**lower maintenance \$**)
- Better health = **lower demands on health care system**



## Personal

- Better **personal health** (physical and mental)
- Lots **more money in your pocket** (gas, parking, no second car...)
- More discretionary spending



## Need to Reduce Risks

- **Two fatalities** last year
- # and rate of **hospitalizations** involving cyclists and pedestrians has **tripled from 2019-2023**
- ICBC **Cyclist collisions nearly doubled 2020-2024**

## Education - Kids



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- We partner with SD71 to provide a grassroots two-day cycling program to all 14 Elementary Schools in the Valley.
- We provide equipment, bikes, helmets, safety vests and **over 1,000 hours of volunteer commitment** per year



*If you are interested in volunteering for this incredibly rewarding program, email us at [cyclecv@gmail.com](mailto:cyclecv@gmail.com)*

Later that day  
Sally taught herself  
how to ride her  
own bike



## Other Work with CV School District 71

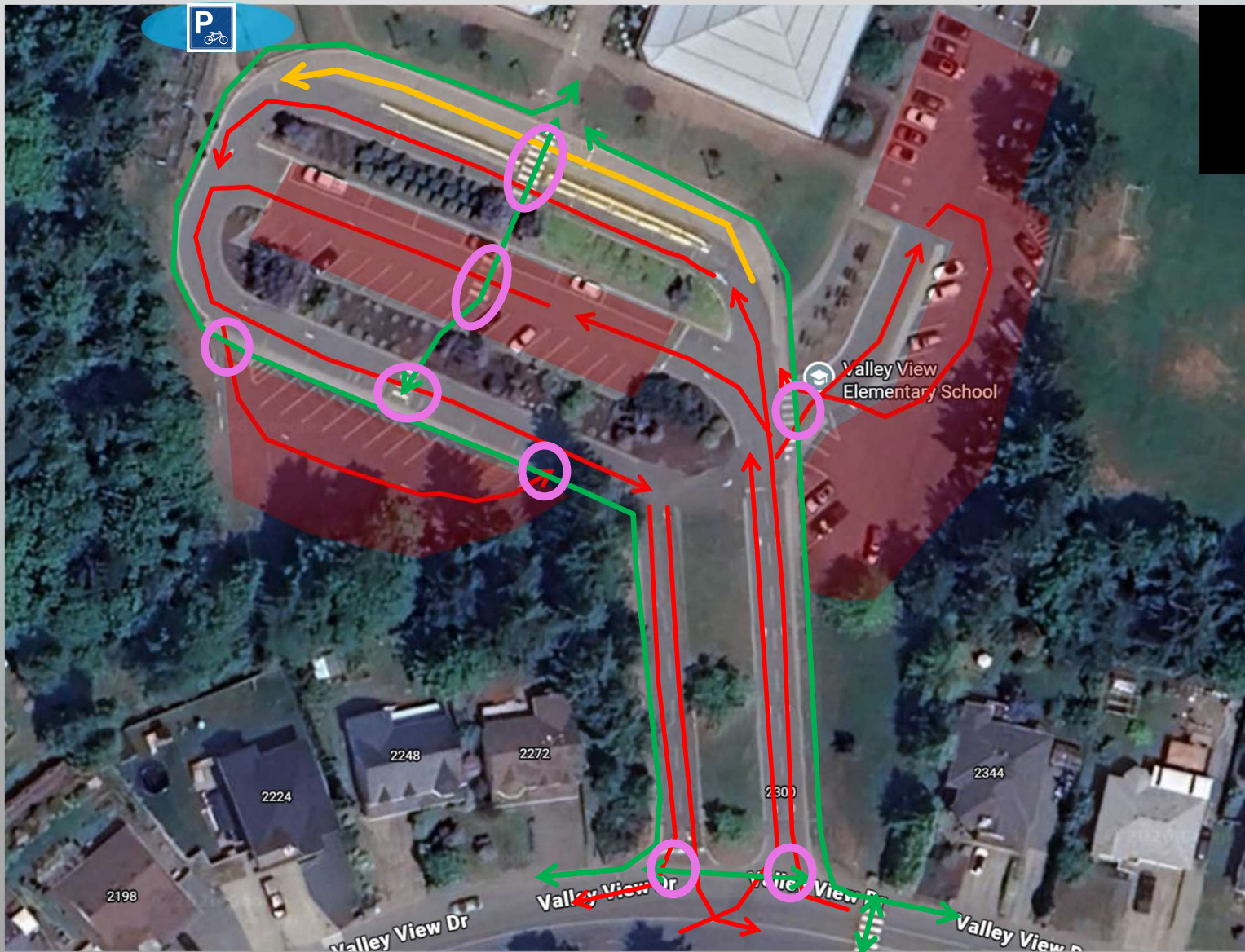


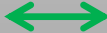

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- **Bike Counts at all SD71 schools. Counts take place three times per year to track data on how many kids are taking their bikes to school.**
- **Assisting a parent volunteer group at Brooklyn Elementary to introduce a “Bike Bus” for kids to ride to school together.**
- **“Safe Routes to School” – City of Courtenay initiative at Puntledge, Courtenay and Valley View Elementary Schools**



# Valley View School



-  Conflict Zones
-  Parking
-  Pedestrians
-  Bike Rack
-  Vehicle Flow
-  Bus Only

# Adult Education



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We continue to provide **FREE safe cycling courses** to our members – thanks to the dedication of Marg Harris and her group of amazing instructors!

*We will again be offering a series of shorter, more “social” oriented, rides that include enough safety basics to help cyclists feel more confident on the roads.*

- *Saturdays at 10am*
- *Wednesdays at 1pm*

• *Info and sign up link on website [www.cyclecv.com](http://www.cyclecv.com)*



## Bike Parking

- Provide free bike parking at many local events which allows hundreds of people to leave their cars at home!



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# 2026 Updates to our Cycling Map



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- Updated with new infrastructure
- Supplied free of charge to residents and visitors
- Financed through a Recreational Grant from CVRD and support of advertisers.
- New project to build an application that will allow route plotting on your phone using our map data

*(in need of some volunteers who are relatively computer savvy!)*



## Multi Use Trail Etiquette

Continue to working with CVRD, BC Back Country Horse group and CV Road Runners to update messaging on etiquette for interaction on multi use trails  
(Seal Bay, One Spot, etc)

Current Messaging



Proposed



Being considerate and patient is the number one factor in making travel safer!

# Infrastructure

“AT” = Active Transportation

“MOTT” = BC Ministry of Transport



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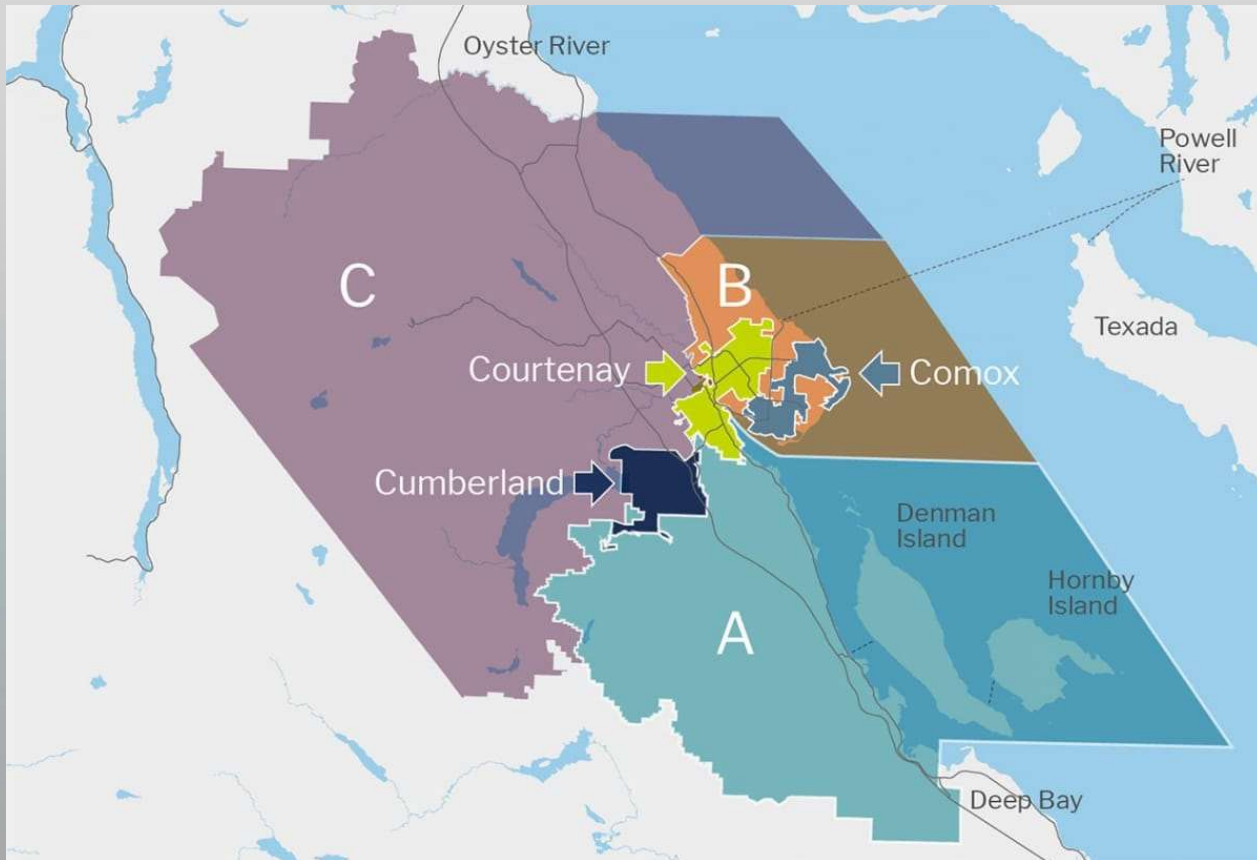
- **Comox Valley are a leader in the province** when it comes to building Active Transportation plans and priorities.
- There have been numerous projects **successful in obtaining Federal and Provincial grant monies.**
- Transportation is **not a “binary” issue** (cars versus bikes or pedestrians) – we have to work it out together.
- Active Transportation (“AT”) **Grant Funds are becoming scarce** and the **MOTT Budget for AT is miniscule (\$3 pppa)** compared to \$1046 pppa for highways and \$215 pppa for public transit \*
- **Projects costs are constantly increasing** for all infrastructure items
- **Hundreds of millions of dollars** in necessary AT infrastructure funding has been identified just in the Comox VALley

*\*analysis by the Victoria Transport Policy Institute highlights the stark funding disparity in MoTT's 2024/25 budget*

# CV Jurisdictions

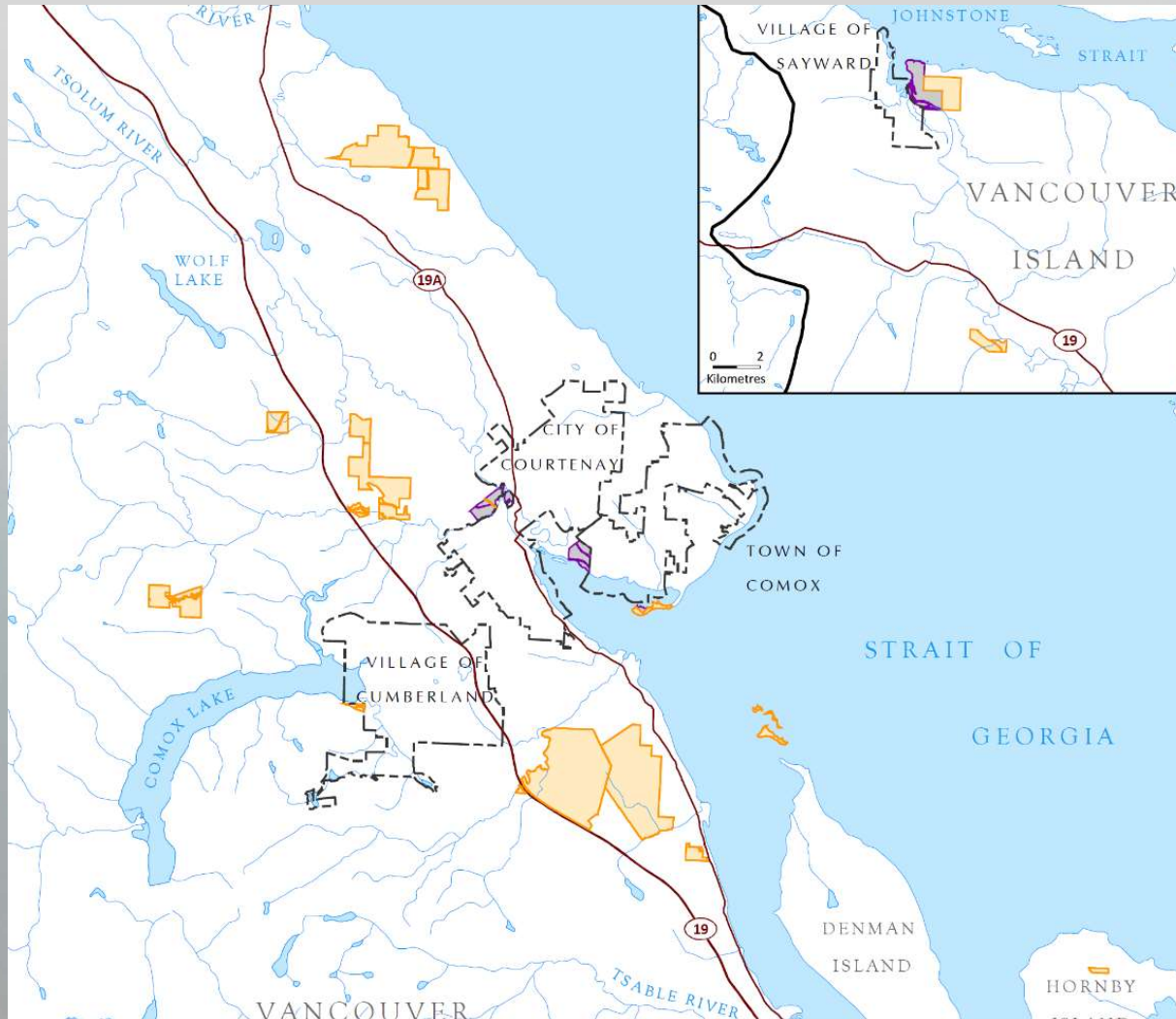


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- Comox, Courtenay and Cumberland manage their own roadways
- MOTT manages roads for CVRD (rural) and all Highways (19 and 19A)

# K'omoks First Nation



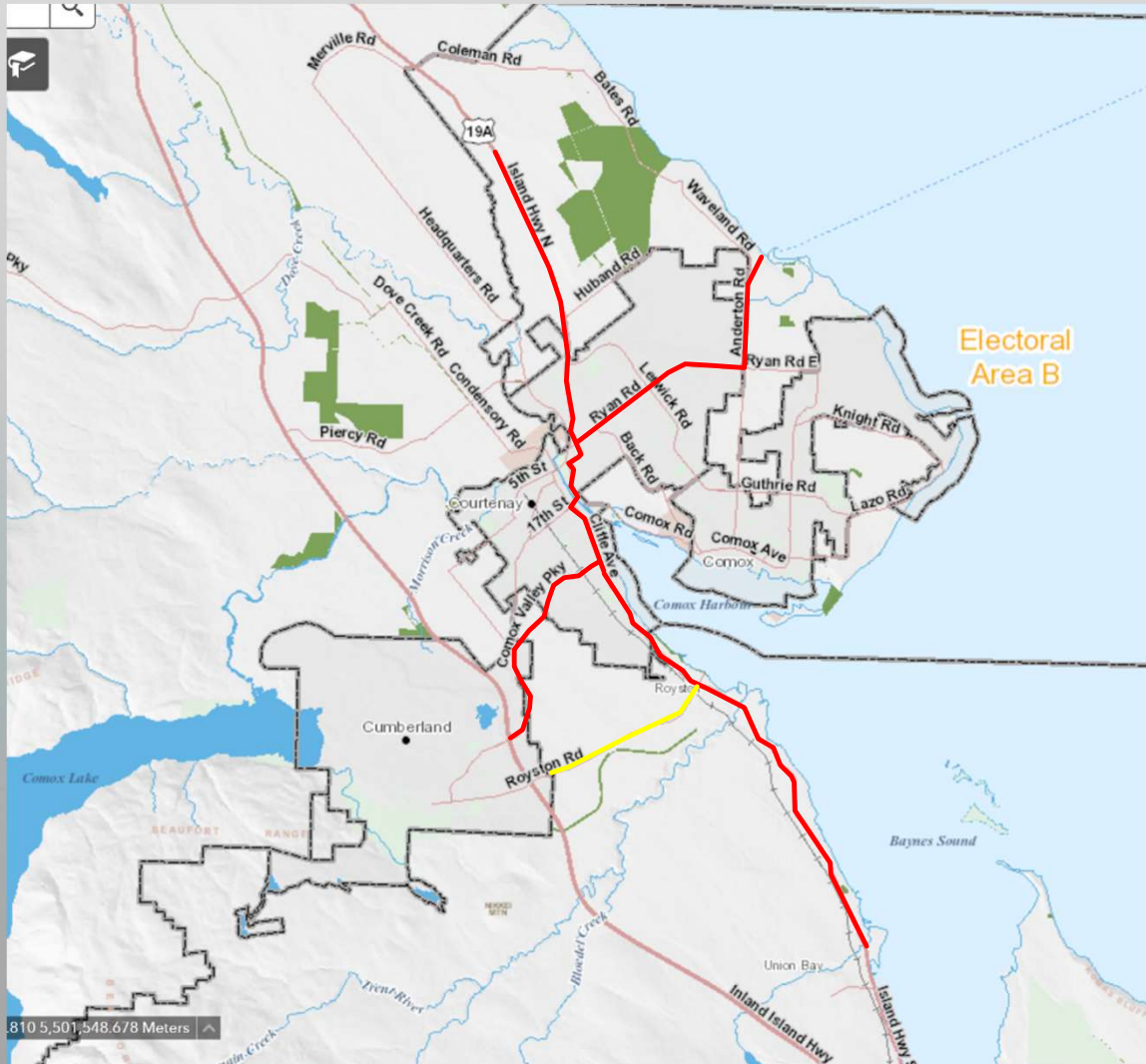
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- Treaty Agreement was ratified by KFN members in 2025.
- Requires legislative ratification from BC and Feds
- Working toward an effective date of 2028

# MOTT Roadways



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- Although roads such as the CV Parkway travel thru various jurisdictions, they are managed by MOTT
- In some cases, the jurisdiction pays for the improvements (Ryan Rd) but MOTT controls the rules and approvals

# Comox Area - Infrastructure



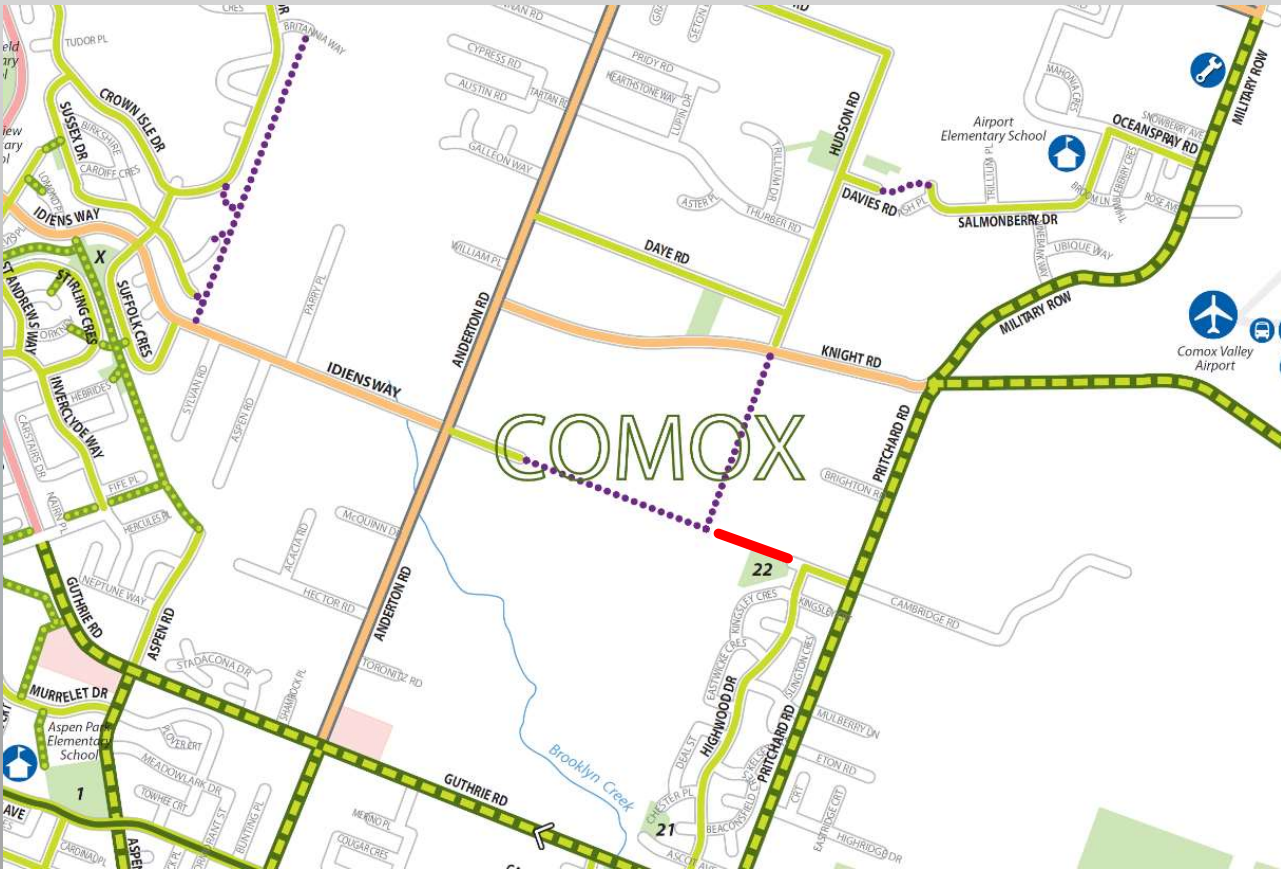
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- Lazo Greenway - Multi Use Pathway (“MUP”)
- Aspen Road painted bike lanes – (connect to Idiens?)
- Trail joining Anderton and Pritchard on Dryden Rd
- Guthrie Rd protected bike lane (on hold)

Key	
ROUTES -	
Protected Bike Lane	
Painted Bike Lane (or Shoulder)	
Neighbourhood Bikeway (shared lane, 40 km/hr or calming)	
	Regional Park
	Camping
	School
	Airport

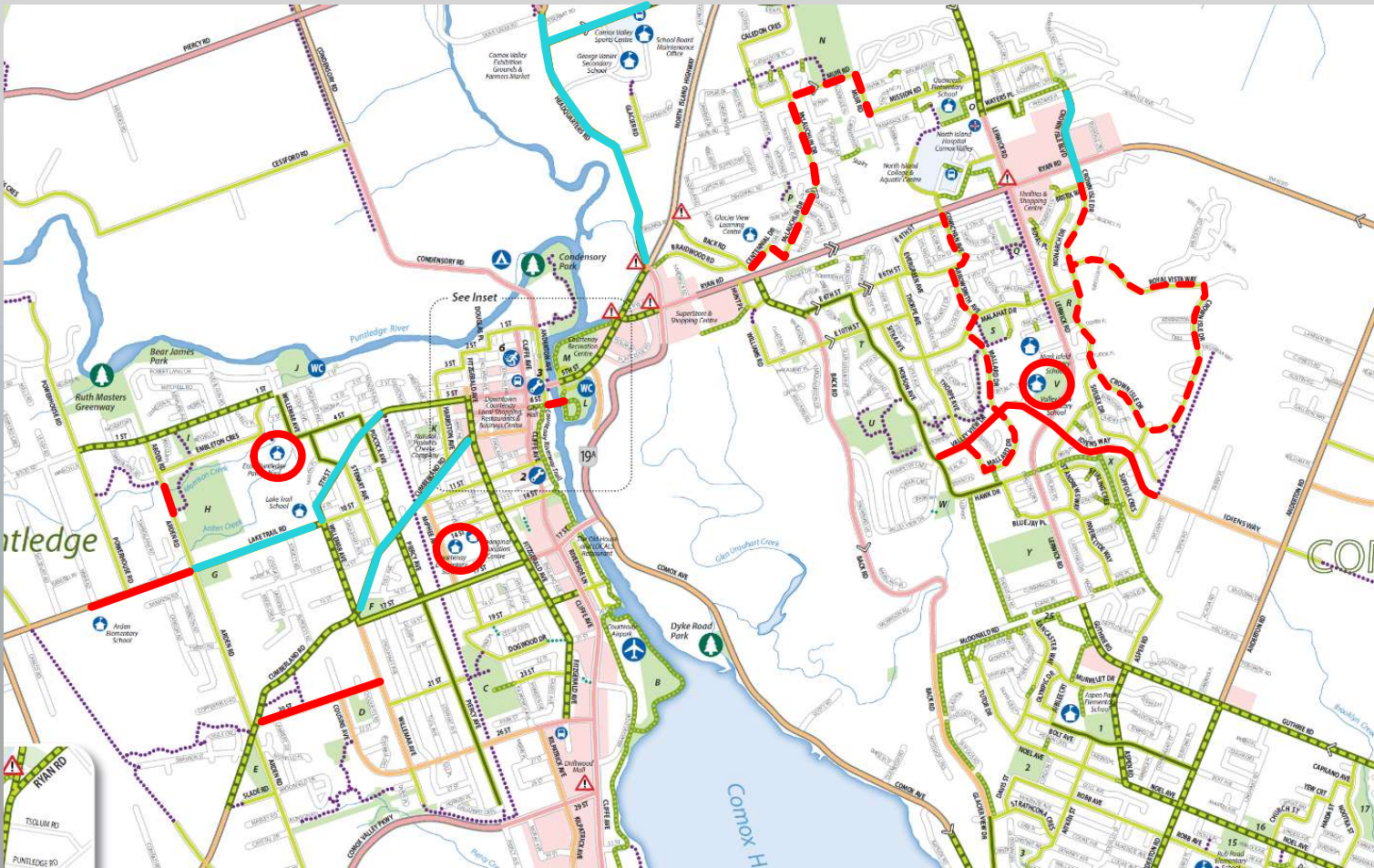
# Dryden Road - Trail



# Courtenay Area - Infrastructure



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- **Bikeways for Crown Isle, McLauchlin, Malahat areas**
- **Painted bike lanes for Valley View - Idiens**
- **MUP extension to Arden School on Lake Trail**
- **20<sup>th</sup> St painted bike lanes**
- **AT Bridge on Arden (Morrison Ck)**
- **3 School programs**

# Protected Bike Lanes



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- City is testing “**Sanderson Curbs**” as a methodology to better protect vulnerable road users
- Local supplier so they are more affordable
- Plan to utilize in conflict zones such as right turn lanes or parking protected lanes (upper 5<sup>th</sup> St)

# 6<sup>th</sup> St Bridge



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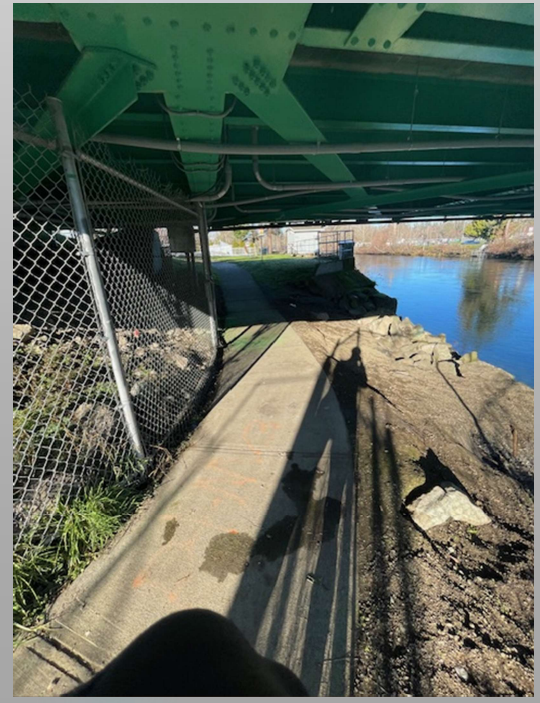
- Ahead of schedule and planning to **open in mid to late June**
- City working on celebration for official opening and we have asked to be part of that

## Funding Sources - 6th Street AT Bridge

	Apr-2024	May-2025	
Federal AT Grant	\$2,502,200	\$2,502,200	
Reserves		\$802,800	
BC Growing Comm Fund	\$1,000,000	\$2,555,000	
Canada Comm Fund		\$500,000	
Prior Year Surplus		\$1,000,000	
Debt	<b>\$3,383,844</b>	\$3,745,000	
<b>Total Cost Estimate</b>	<b>\$6,886,044</b>	<b>\$11,105,000</b>	
Annual Debt Costs (30 yrs ammortization)		\$222,346	
Per Person per Year Financing Cost		<b>\$7.82</b>	
	Debt	\$3,745,000	34%
	Grants	\$5,557,200	50%
	Surplus/Reserves	\$1,802,800	16%



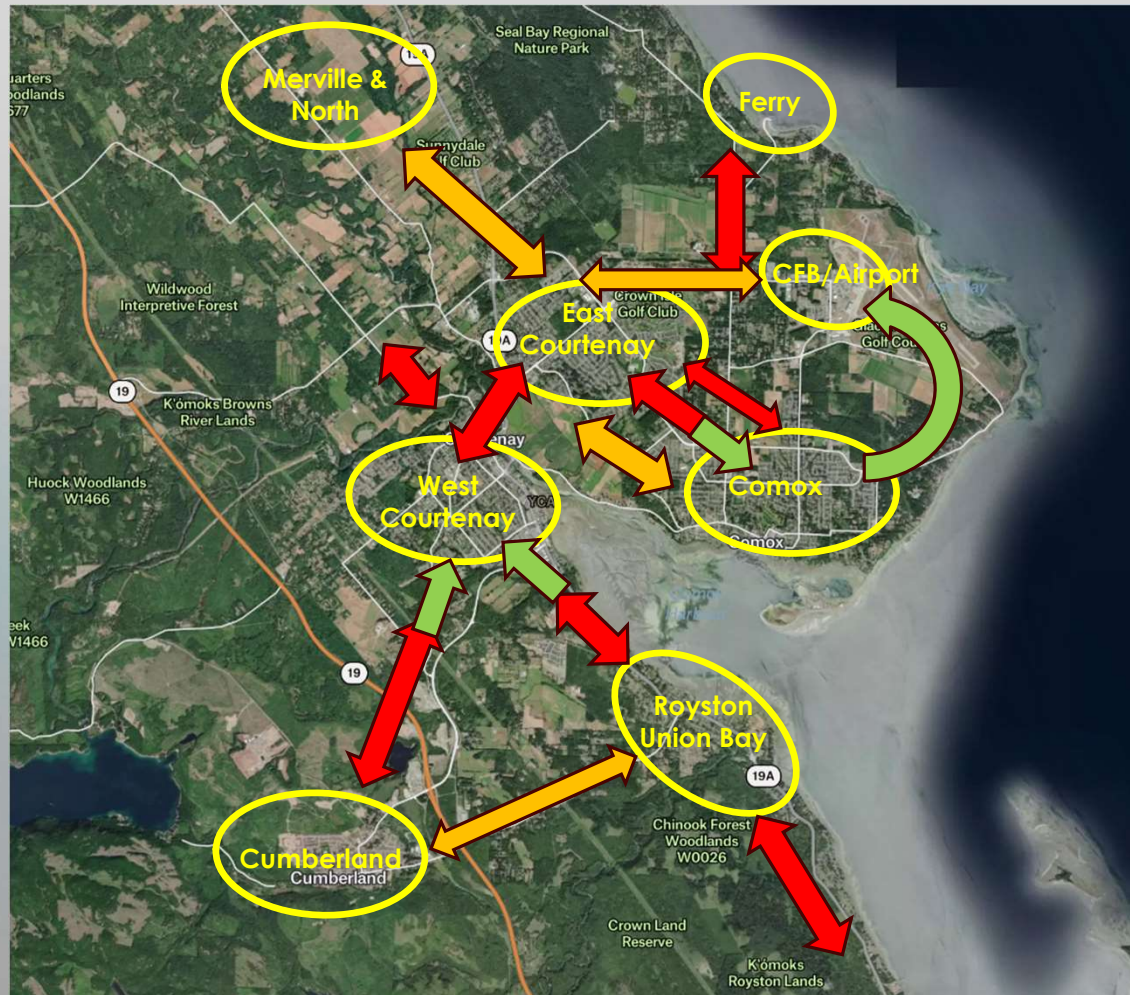
**Anderton Ave riverbank restoration survey is live for one more week**



# Regional Connectivity by Bike



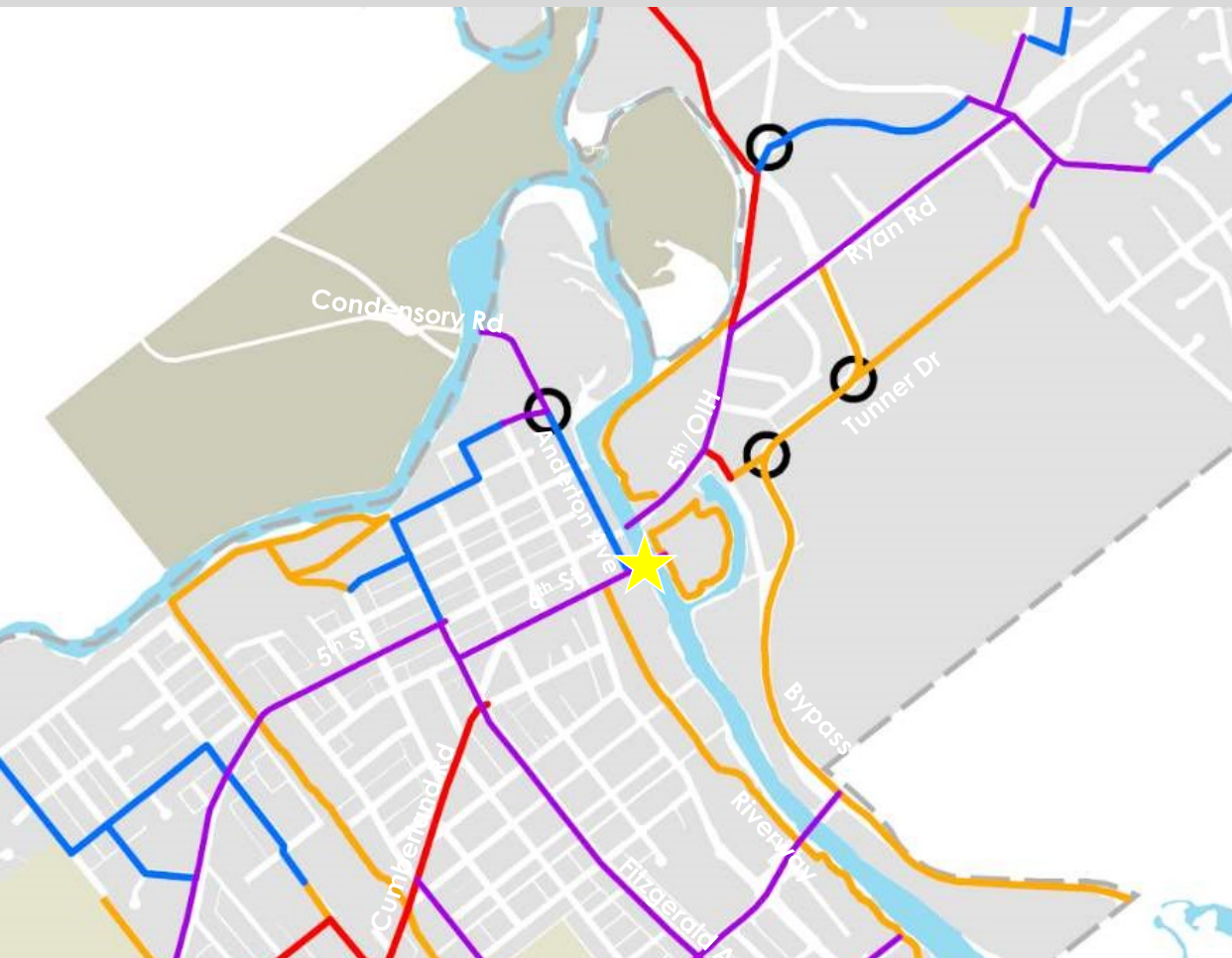
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- Many areas of serious concern
  - Ryan Road/Lerwick
  - Cumberland Connector
- CFB Comox planning large expansion – more commuters
- Need a stable source of funding for AT as well as some innovative solutions (trails, etc)



★ 6<sup>th</sup> St Active Transportation Bridge



### Cycling Route Type

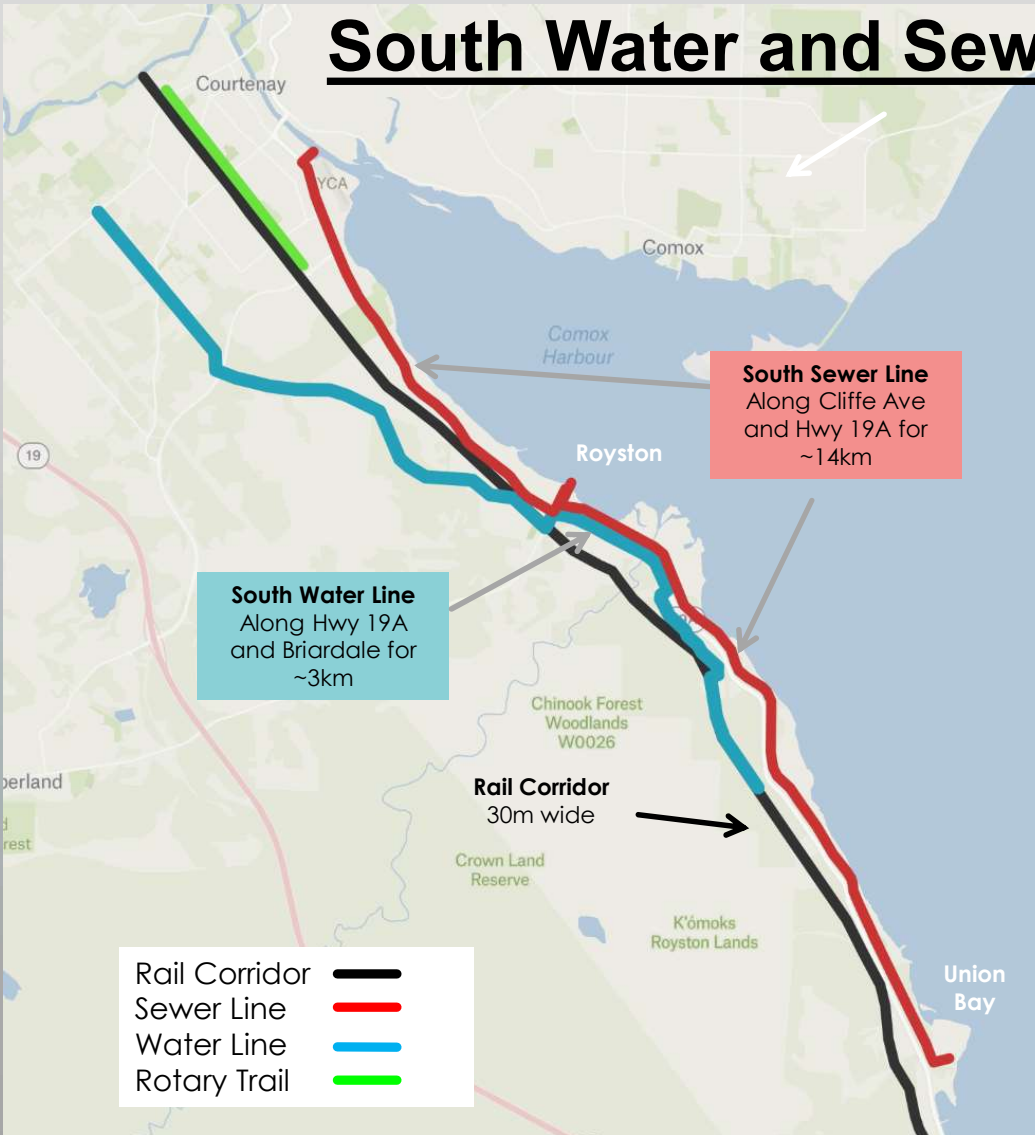
- Protected Bike Lanes - AAA Facility
- Neighbourhood Bikeway (40km/hr) - AAA Facility
- Multi-Use Pathway - AAA Facility
- Painted Parking Protected Bike Lane - AAA Facility
- Painted Bike Lane w/ Buffer - Supporting Facility
- Intersection Improvements

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## City of Courtenay – Long Term Cycling Network Plan 6<sup>th</sup> St Bridge Connections

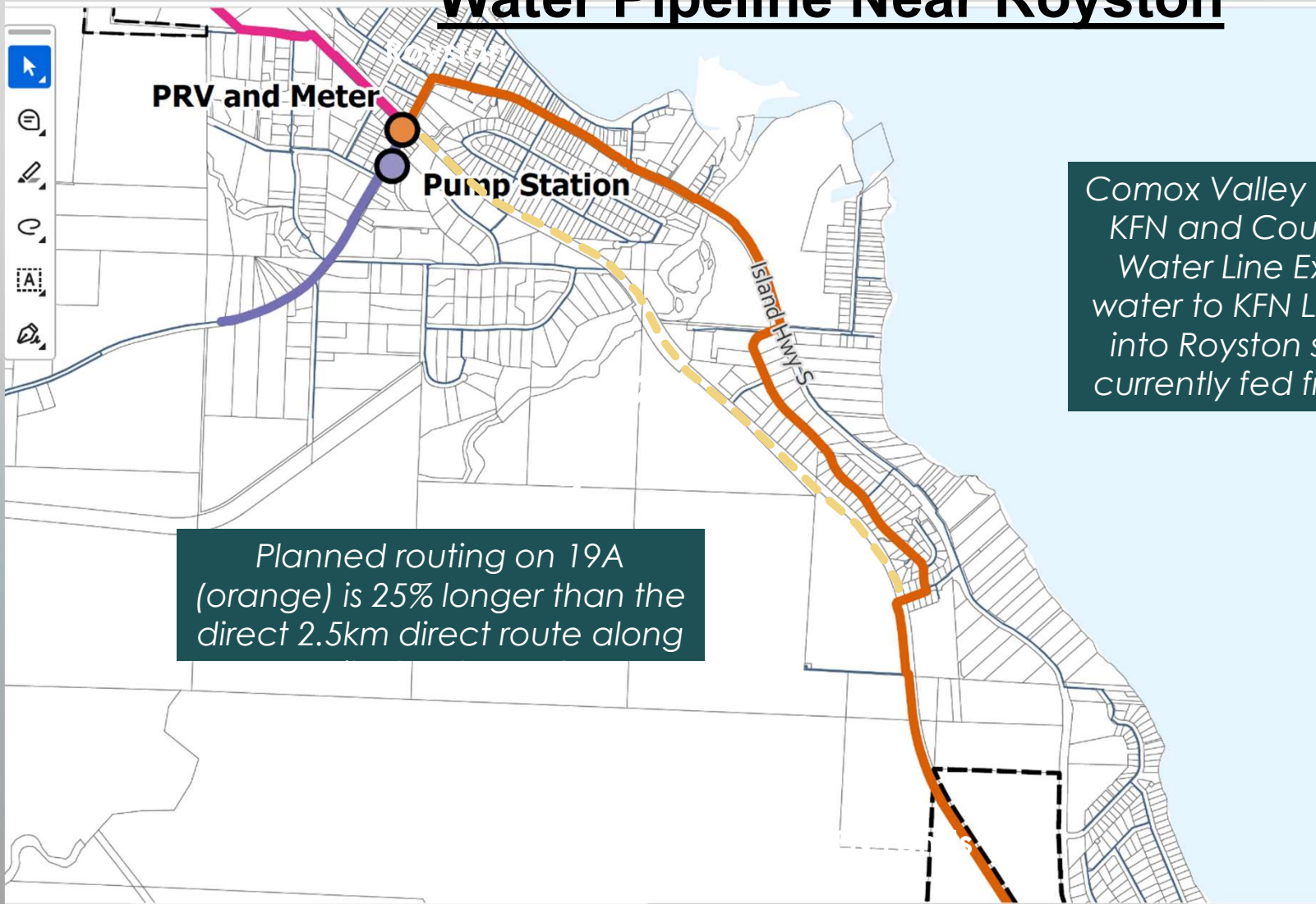
"AAA" = All Ages and Abilities

# South Water and Sewer Pipelines



- Water line slated to start construction in 2027
- Sewer line delayed due to Union Bay Estates uncertainty (3 phases)
- Both lines will also supply new KFN treaty lands near Union Bay
- Opportunity to use ICF Rail Corridor will:
  - Reduce **capital costs to residents**
  - **Reduce or eliminate traffic impediments** due to several years of construction
  - Provide opportunity to create a **safe, multi-use pathway**

# Water Pipeline Near Royston



Comox Valley RD is working with KFN and Courtenay on South Water Line Extension to take water to KFN Lands and also tie into Royston system - which is currently fed from Cumberland

Planned routing on 19A (orange) is 25% longer than the direct 2.5km direct route along

# CVRD Rail Corridor Shared Vision



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- **MOTT granted \$600,000 to CVRD in 2023** to study alternate uses for the rail corridor
- Background report created in 2025 but **public consultation has not yet begun**
- Original **deadline** was YE 2024, extended twice, **now March 2027**
- CVCCo letter in March 2026 (on website) requesting that CVRD spend grant funds to
  - **Clear corridor** (safety, firesmart, encroachments)
  - Establish **feasibility and methodology to run pipelines on rail ROW**
  - **Evaluate options for trail**, either on top of pipelines or on rail bed (need **cost and feasibility**)
- We encourage concerned residents to **contact their elected representatives** and ask them to act asap as this is a time critical item. Make this an election issue, **time is not on our side...**

# Questions?



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The Comox Valley Cycling Coalition greatly appreciates your support and enthusiasm about cycling!

If you want more information or are interested in membership, volunteering or updates, please get in touch:

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