

Update #2



Greetings, this update is intended to provide you with the information about the work which will be happening in Layritz Park this year.

Summer 2007 Construction:

- The construction access road was virtually completed in late 2006. During this time hazardous trees were also made safe and shrub material was removed. This was in preparation of the work that is to begin this year.
- The objective this year is to construct important underground services, trails, ball fields (2) and the soccer field. The construction works this summer will be completed by four separate parties as indicated below.

External Contractor:

- Baseball Field B
- Installation of utilities and services (electrical, stormwater, telephone, water)
- Storm water management—including ponds and swales

Saanich Parks:

- Upgrades to the T-Ball Diamond
- Planting of berms and storm water management ponds
- Trails

Prospect Lake Soccer Club

- Soccer Field C – Artificial Turf Field

Saanich Public Works

- Water meter chamber and water service connection
- Due to extensive overland flow of stormwater some brush and Cottonwood trees will be removed and regrading will be needed through the central portion of the park (near batting cage). New trees will be planted.

Artificial Turf Field

- In 2006, it was reported that, only a sand-based soccer field would be built which would then be converted to an Artificial Turf Field in 2-3 years. However, Saanich has since agreed to partner with the Prospect Lake Soccer Club which has committed to providing additional resources to build an Artificial Turf Field. Therefore, both the originally announced Phase One and Phase Two plans will be implemented now.

Traffic & Parking

- In 2006 Saanich Parks commissioned Delcan to conduct a Traffic Impact Study for the park. The study recognized the high traffic and parking demand related to the park via Layritz Avenue and recommended that for Phase One/Two development, some of the parking and traffic be distributed via Markham Street. Therefore, park users will be encouraged to use the existing Vancouver Island Technology Park parking facilities, during weekends and weekday evenings when it will be free.
- As previously reported, Saanich Parks continues to pursue the option of a third access into the park and to develop an additional parking area for any future phases of park expansion.

Pacific Sports Institute

Camosun College, which is to the south of Layritz Park, has also started construction on their Pacific Sports Institute project. Saanich Parks has been working closely with this group to ensure adequate trail connections into Layritz Park and through to Camosun College. A new trail has now been built through to Glyn Road ensuring public access through the PSI site.

If any issues arise during construction you are encouraged to contact Saanich Parks at 475-5522

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