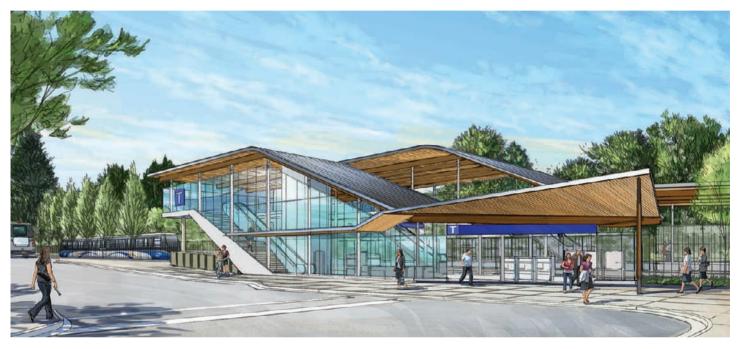






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## LOOKING AHEAD: EVERGREEN LINE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES



EGRT Construction was awarded the contract earlier this year to design, build and finance the Evergreen Line. EGRT Construction will build the elevated and at-grade guideways, a two-kilometre tunnel, seven stations, power substations, train operating systems and parking facilities. The Evergreen Line will be completed and in service by summer 2016. The following is a high-level schedule of work for 2013.

#### North tunnel portal area – Port Moody

Construction has begun in the north tunnel portal area to prepare for tunnel boring. Construction of the tunnel underneath the Barnet Highway will begin in spring 2013. This work will be done in stages by shifting Barnet Highway traffic west at View Street to keep all lanes open for drivers. The tunnel boring will begin in March 2014. The two-kilometre bored tunnel begins at the north tunnel portal area in Port Moody and ends at the south tunnel portal, located on the west side of Clarke Road near Kemsley Avenue in Coquitlam.

### Moody Centre Station area - Port Moody

Demolition, utility work and changes to the park-and-ride and the bus loop are underway, and construction of the at-grade guideway will begin this summer.

#### Lougheed Station area - Burnaby

Moving the bus loops and pedestrian walkways will begin in advance of station renovations and guideway construction will start this summer.

#### Burquitlam Station area - Coquitlam

Guideway construction and utility relocation work will begin in the spring. Station construction is expected to begin in early 2014.

#### Inlet Centre Station area – Port Moody

Utility relocations will start this spring followed by set up of construction staging areas for station and guideway construction.

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#### **Lafarge Lake - Douglas** Station area – Coquitlam

Road and ground improvements will start this summer followed by guideway construction. Station construction is expected to begin this fall.

#### **Coquitlam Central Station** area - Coquitlam

Changes to the existing bus loop will begin this summer. Station construction is expected to start this winter and guideway construction in early 2014.

### Lincoln Station area -Coquitlam

Utility work will begin this summer and station and guideway construction will begin in the fall.

#### Guideway construction in Coquitlam, Port Moody and Burnaby areas

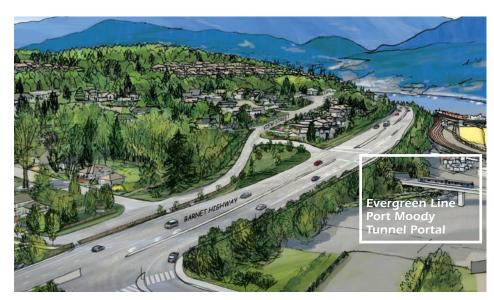
Guideway construction will start in the Burguitlam area of Coguitlam this summer with the construction of the foundations and then guideway columns for the elevated guideway near Clarke Road and Como Lake Avenue. It will then proceed south on North Road to Lougheed Town Centre Station.

In Port Moody, guideway construction will start this summer east of Barnet Highway and continue towards Moody Centre Station. In early fall, the at-grade quideway work will start on the west side of Inlet Centre Station.

Preparation is underway for guideway construction along the existing railway corridor through Port Moody and Coguitlam. This work includes tree removal, building access roads, grading and the installation of culverts and bridges to protect streams.

Elevated guideway construction in Coquitlam will begin in early 2014 at Coguitlam Central Station and move to Lafarge Lake-Douglas Station.

## **CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY AT THE NORTH TUNNEL PORTAL IN PORT MOODY**



onstruction of the Evergreen Line began in Port Moody in February 2013 in the north tunnel portal area to prepare for the arrival of the tunnel boring machine (TBM) in the fall of 2013. The tunnel boring machine will be used to construct the two-kilometre tunnel section starting from the Port Moody side to the south tunnel portal area on the west side of Clarke Road near Kemsley Avenue in Coquitlam. The permanent tunnel portal will be located on the east side of Barnet Highway.

To prepare for the tunnel boring, crews will build a temporary work area just south of the intersection of View Street and Barnet Highway. This location is where the TBM will be set up and excavated materials will be removed. The tunnel boring operations will also be serviced by a yard to the east of Barnet Highway on Vintner Street and pre-cast concrete tunnel segments will be stored at this location.

To ensure traffic flow is maintained on Barnet Highway, crews will also build a tunnel underneath Barnet Highway that will act as the Port Moody tunnel entry

point. Construction of the tunnel under the Barnet Highway is scheduled to begin this month. This will require temporary changes to the traffic patterns including a new left turn at the Charles Street intersection at Clarke Road/St. Johns Street, closure of Clarke Street (between Columbia Street and View Street) and shifting of Barnet Highway west.

Once the tunnel under Barnet Highway is completed, the TBM will arrive and will be launched from the temporary tunnel work site on the west side of Barnet Highway.

Tunnel boring is anticipated to begin early 2014 and is scheduled to take approximately one year to complete. Crews will then begin fitting the tunnel with walls, tracks and mechanical equipment.

The tunnel is scheduled for completion and the work site areas reinstated to original conditions by 2016.

Bored tunnel construction means there is no disruption to residents, businesses and traffic on the surface above, with surface construction activity only at the tunnel portal locations.

### TRANSLINK ANNOUNCES EVERGREEN LINE STATION NAMES



ransLink announced the final station names, following consultation with local governments and community groups. "The Evergreen Line SkyTrain extension is a much needed link in the region's transportation network and will be part of our communities for generations," said TransLink's chief executive officer Ian Jarvis. "That's why we worked with Port Moody, Coquitlam and Douglas College to set the final station names that reflect the historical and future significance of the local neighbourhoods being served."

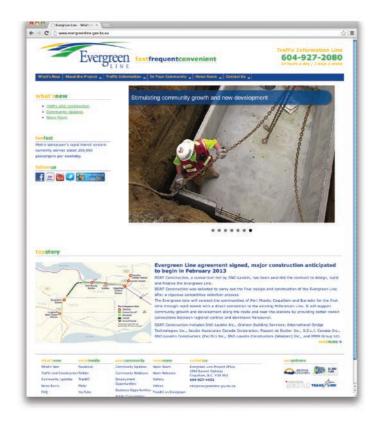
The final station names are:

- Lougheed Town Centre Station
- **Burquitlam Station**
- **Moody Centre Station**
- **Inlet Centre Station**
- **Coguitlam Central Station**
- **Lincoln Station**
- Lafarge Lake-Douglas Station

The Evergreen Line will link neighbourhoods in Burnaby, Port Moody and Coquitlam and be fully integrated into the existing system, connecting directly onto the Millennium Line at Lougheed Station.

Funding for the Evergreen Line is a partnership between the Government of Canada, the Government of British Columbia and TransLink. The estimated project cost is \$1.43 billion, with the Government of Canada contributing up to \$424 million (\$350 million from the Building Canada Fund, \$67 million from the Public Transit Capital Trust Fund, and \$7 million from the P3 Fund), the Government of B.C. contributing \$586 million, and other partners contributing \$21 million. TransLink is contributing the remaining \$400 million and will operate the system when it opens..

# NEW WEBSITE LAUNCHED FOR THE EVERGREEN LINE



A redesigned website has been launched for the Evergreen Line Rapid Transit Project to better engage the community and make it easier to find out what's new about the project. As construction begins on the Evergreen Line's stations, tunnel and guideways, up-to-date traffic and construction information will continue to be available via the Evergreen Line website (www.evergreenline.gov.bc.ca).

## EVERGREEN LINE TRAFFIC COMMUNICATIONS

An important goal of the project is to generate clear, consistent and accessible construction and traffic information for residents, businesses and the public. Every effort will be taken to minimize disruption and maximize traffic flow and predictability for travellers.

The Evergreen Line Project is using a variety of communication tools to maximize predictability for travellers, including:

#### TRAFFIC PHONE LINE:

- 604-927-2080
- Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to provide up to date information to residents, businesses and commuters

#### **EMAIL:**

• info@evergreenline.gov.bc.ca

#### **PROJECT WEBSITE:**

www.evergreenline.gov.bc.ca

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you would like to learn more about the Evergreen Line Project or have your name added to the information email subscription list, please visit the Project Office (2900 Barnet Highway, Coquitlam) weekdays from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm or contact us:

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