
BACKGROUND

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DECISION REACHED FOR EVERGREEN LINE ROUTE

- The 11-kilometre Northwest Route will link neighbourhoods in Burnaby, Port Moody and Coquitlam.
- The Northwest Route will connect with Skytrain, West Coast Express and TransLink buses.
- Final details on the route will be finalized after detailed planning and design work, which will include stakeholder consultations. Based on the business case, we see the route from:
 - The existing Lougheed SkyTrain station
 - Run as an elevated guideway along North Road to Clarke Road
 - From Clarke Road, there will be sub-surface alignment running north of Como Lake Avenue, emerging at the bottom of the Clarke Road hill
 - The Line will transition to at-grade adjacent to the Canadian Pacific railway (CP rail) line
 - The alignment will continue to the Ioco Road overpass where it would run eastward
 - The Line will then transition back to an elevated guideway northward along the Lougheed Highway to Pinetree Way
 - From the vicinity of Pinetree Way the Line will turn northward to a terminus just north of Guildford Way (Douglas College).

Northwest Route Benefits (Business Case Summary)

- **Development**
 - Development has already taken place in anticipation of rapid transit
 - More near term, residential development anticipated
 - Supported by existing community planning
- **System Integration**
 - Greatest system integration with existing SkyTrain
 - Grade separated from existing traffic
 - Safer, more reliable

- **Environment**
 - Greatest reduction in car trips
 - Environmental assessment process second most advanced due to similarities to LRT corridor and earlier public consultation
- **Stakeholders**
 - Stakeholder issues are better understood in the northwest due to prior public consultation work done for LRT and SkyTrain
 - Consultation would be required regarding features of ALRT on this corridor
- **Schedule**
 - Anticipated schedule – completion August 2014

Northwest Route Map web link: http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/evergreen_line/index.htm

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