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New Interchanges on Target – Construction Update

Abbotsford, August 30, 2010 – Both the Clearbrook Road and the McCallum Road Interchange Projects are on target with their construction schedules, announced Mayor George W. Peary, today.

“The upgrades to the Clearbrook and McCallum interchanges are moving along quite nicely,” said Peary. “A significant milestone was reached on the Clearbrook Interchange Project recently with the installation of girders for the new bridge over the Trans-Canada Highway.”

At the Clearbrook Road Interchange, activities have been focused on relocating utilities, shifting the through lanes on Highway 1, rebuilding the westbound off-ramp, and constructing abutment walls.

“The major focus for crews now includes building the bridge deck, installing drainage systems and reconstructing the eastbound off-ramp,” said Peary. “Construction on these items will start in the next few weeks.”

At the McCallum Road Interchange Project, the half-way mark has been passed, with more than half of the scheduled construction now complete. The construction team at McCallum is now busy completing the north and south roundabouts

“The new overpass is in place, with a freshly poured concrete deck that will be curing over the rest of the summer,” said Peary. “As well, the new eastbound exit is expected to open to traffic next month.”

The estimated combined cost of these two projects is \$50 million, cost-shared between the City of Abbotsford, the Province of BC and the Government of Canada.

Construction of both interchanges is set to be complete spring 2011.

For more details, please visit the project websites at www.clearbrookinterchange.ca and www.mccalluminterchange.ca. The very latest highway traffic conditions, as well as a web cam at the McCallum Road Interchange, are available at www.DriveBC.ca.

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