

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Construction Update:

**Port Sandfield Swing Bridge Rehabilitation to Start in September
Expect Full and Overnight Road Closures with Detour in Effect**

September 8, 2020 (Muskoka, ON) – The Port Sandfield Swing Bridge on Muskoka Road 7 (Peninsula Road) in the Township of Muskoka Lakes is scheduled for required maintenance this fall – a two-week full road closure and nightly bridge closures will be scheduled to expedite construction. Motorists are advised a significant detour will be in effect during the road closure period.

The Port Sandfield Swing Bridge is a single-lane movable structure, therefore scheduled full road closures will be required to effectively complete the work. The District recognizes the public impact of this closure and length of detour, and are working together with our partners to allow construction activities to continue into the late evening and overnight to accelerate the work.

The District encourages residents to plan alternate routes and follow posted detour signage when traveling through the Port Sandfield area this fall. The District is working with the contractor to allow for pedestrian access during construction, signage will be posted onsite and updates will be posted on the District of Muskoka's website.

Full Road Closures

Overnight Full Road Closure: Detour in Effect

- Overnight: 9:00 pm to 5:30 am - Saturday, September 26 to Sunday, October 25, 2020

Two-Week Full Road Closure: Detour in Effect

- Monday, October 26 to Monday, November 9, 2020

Watercraft Passage

Small watercraft passage will be permitted during construction activities; large vessel operators are encouraged to contact the District for further information regarding access restrictions.

For more information and to stay updated on the Port Sandfield Bridge Rehabilitation in the Township of Muskoka Lakes, please visit www.muskoka.on.ca

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