

# \$200M power plant gets started

Construction of the \$200 million **Kokish River Hydroelectric** project near Port McNeill has started.

Work at several sites has been completed including construction of the Ida Lake Bridge and several access roads. Site clearing work on the intake access road, Kokish Main Road and along the penstock route is nearing completion.

The Kokish Main Road is now closed to the public as construction activities make the road impassable for regular vehicle traffic.

This project has been designed and will be built to produce electricity from the run of river water power. The project is located in the Regional District of Mount Waddington, approximately 50 kilometres southeast of Port Hardy and 15 kilometres east of the Town of Port McNeill.

The project involves diverting water into a nine-kilometre pipe constructed under and beside existing roads near the river to a powerhouse downstream of the Telegraph Cove Road bridge. This project is expected to take two years to construct. An agreement with **BC Hydro** to purchase power is in place.

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The City of Campbell River has approved a major development permit application from **Berwick Retirement Campbell River Ltd.** for a 123 unit Seniors Housing Complex located at 1353 16th Ave.

The housing complex will be built on two currently vacant lots between the Tye Plaza and McDonald's, on the corner of 16th Avenue and Roberts' Reach. Access to the building would be from 16th Avenue.

The project will be comprised of a six-storey residential building with 123 residential units. The units will be a mix of bachelor, one and two bedroom units. The building will also contain a large dining room, library, exercise room, theatre, patio and gardens.

Underground parking will be provided, with 62 parking spaces. Landscaping will be provided surrounding the building and a courtyard in the centre of the building.

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Site preparation is underway for Phase I, which will include 69 residential lots to be built at a new residential project in South Courtenay. Disclosure statements have

been filed and construction on new homes is expected to be underway in the next month or two. Prices of the lots will be announced in August. This project is located on a 77 acre property on Buckstone Road, near Comox Logging Road and Fraser Roads.

The design will include between 205 and 230 residential units on single and duplex lots and two multi-family sites that will include approximately 80 units. This project is designed so that it can be built in five phases and certain zoning will allow some homes to have suites.

Selective lots will feature panoramic ocean views and some of the lots may contain carriage homes. Lots could be on the market as of July or August of 2012.

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The City of Courtenay has issued a second building permit in the amount of \$230,400 for the construction of the second of three duplexes (six homes) to be built on one lot on Piercy Avenue by **Habitat for Humanity** volunteers.

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