

Snapshots from the Sea-to-Sky . . .

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What do they do in winter?

It's winter in Sea-to-Sky country and highway construction continues, although ski season traffic volumes means driving delays are kept to a minimum. The Sea-to-Sky, with its 'micro-climates' often brings snow in the north, rain in the south. Bridge deck waterproofing is one of the few activities that cannot be done in winter. As long as the ground is not frozen or freezing, embankments are filled, but hot mix asphalt cannot be placed. In the north, Peter Kiewit Sons construction crews coordinate with Miller Capilano Highway Maintenance teams to ensure snow clearing through construction zones. Crews will be rotated south if snow halts northern construction. Potholes are a byproduct of winter weather. In construction sections, the holes are repaired by project workers, while Miller Capilano works to keep the rest of the highway pothole free.

P.S. *To the benefit of the construction schedule, corridor temperatures are within the range of normal equipment operations. Winterizing equipment includes ensuring sufficient anti-freeze. Equipment tires and tracks are kept clean, preventing damaging build-up of snow and mud on rollers, while stocks of sand are kept ready for construction access roads.*



View of Mt. Garibaldi from along the Sea-to-Sky Highway in the new four-lane divided section being constructed from Murrin Park to Gonzales Creek.

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