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Parksville Fire Hall Renovations Continue to Progress

Parksville, BC - The Parksville Volunteer Fire Department is in the last stretch of the \$3 million renovation project and the upgrades are coming along nicely. Chief Doug Banks is pleased with the progress and even more pleased that the project remains just slightly under budget.

Construction is expected to take about ten months in total and during this time, no area will be left untouched. The substantial renovations include three new bays, consolidated storage of firefighting equipment, improved administration and training areas and improvements to shower facilities for member clean up and decontamination. Once the hydro connection is made, the department will move equipment into the new bays and upgrades to the existing building will be completed. Work includes the finishing of the offices and second floor interiors. Site work scheduled for later this month will include the parking lot, landscaping and the new rain garden.

Fire department members are anxious to begin operating out of the renovated facility, a welcome improvement over the outdated firehall built in 1975. Doug, Marc, Tyrone and Liz are hopeful they will be able to move from their headquarters in the little house to the new firehall at the end of July. The department will welcome the public to the new firehall at a grand opening to be held later in the summer. If you have questions or comments, please call 250 248-3242.

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