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May 29 Open House to Celebrate Parksville Public Works

PARKSVILLE, **BC**: National Public Works Week from May 18 to May 26 is an annual event held to recognize public works professionals. To celebrate, the City will host a public works open house on **Thursday**, **May 29 in the Community Park from 10 am to 2 pm**. This is a free event for all.

The City's public works staff is proud to serve our community and looks forward to highlighting the services they provide as well as creating awareness of the work required to maintain the City's infrastructure and services. This open house will recognize the impact that the City's engineering and operations staff, affectionately referred to as public works, has on improving the quality of life in our community. Crews provide a variety of services which enhance the daily lives of Parksville residents. Public works is responsible such services as design, construction, operations and maintenance of our roads and sidewalks, street lighting and traffic signals, City parks, nature trails, the City's fleet, as well as our water distribution system, sewage collection system, drainage facilities and City buildings.

"Our public works staff are responsible for many vital City systems and services on a 24/7 basis; services vital to our community's health, safety and comfort," said Mayor Chris Burger. "This week provides the opportunity to thank our crews and recognize the essential role of public works in our community's quality of life."

Open house activities will interest residents of all ages with demonstrations, displays, refreshments, and of course, a chance to explore and ask questions of our public works professionals. All activities are free.

WHO	City of Parksville, Public Works - Engineering and Operations
WHAT	Public Works Week Open House
WHERE	Community Park (near Picnic Shelter)
WHEN	10 am to 2 pm, Thursday, May 29
WHY	Celebrate and learn about the role of public works

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For more information:

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About Parksville — Located on Vancouver Island's sheltered east coast, 12,000 residents call Parksville their home. Parksville offers a quality lifestyle with many activities. We are committed to being the city of choice for ourselves and future generations in a clean, safe, friendly, economically viable and sustainable environment.