

Point Intersection Construction Fact Sheet & Frequently Asked Questions



Construction continues on this group of projects designed to address traffic congestion and safety issues and upgrade aging infrastructure within Penticton's southeast region.

Completed in 2023

- **1.** Sidewalk construction and traffic calming on Greenwood Drive and Dartmouth Drive.
- **2.** Work is complete on the east end of Galt Avenue, with the west end to finish in 2024.
- **3.** Work on Pineview Road and the lower section of South Main Street, with a new roundabout installed.
- **4.** Paving along Warren Avenue.

Work Planned for 2024

- **5. Starting February:** A signalized traffic light will be installed at Skaha Lake Road and Galt Avenue, plus Skaha Lake Road repaved.
- **6. Spring:** Work continues along South Main Street to connect the Lake-to-Lake Bike Route from Kinney to Galt, including a pedestrian/cyclist-activated flasher crossing South Main from Kinney.
- **7. Summer:** Kinney Avenue will be permanently closed to vehicle traffic between Skaha Lake Road and South Main Street, converting this to green space. The signalized intersection will be replaced and improvements made along Kinney toward Atkinson.
- **8. Summer:** Milling and repaving on Main Street between Warren Avenue and Kinney Avenue.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Point Intersection – and where is it?

The Point Intersection is the name given to a group of construction projects located within Penticton's southeast region, including the intersection of Skaha Lake Road and South Main Street. These projects are designed to address traffic congestion and safety issues throughout an area where large volumes of traffic converge.

This two-year, \$10.5 million project began in spring 2023 and is scheduled to be completed by the fall of 2024. For a list of construction work to be completed in 2024, view the schedule at **penticton.ca/point-intersection**.

What work is happening next?

Work on the next phase is planned to begin on Skaha Lake Road beginning Feb. 20, 2024. This work involves:

- Installing a signalized intersection at Skaha Lake Road and Galt Avenue.
- Upgrades to sanitary, water and storm infrastructure.
- Lighting improvements and relocation of overhead electrical to underground.
- Milling pavement.
- Paving and line painting.
- Pavement recapping on Main Street between Warren Avenue and Kinney Avenue.

When will Kinney Avenue be closed?

Starting in the summer, Kinney Avenue will be closed permanently to vehicle traffic between Skaha Lake Road and South Main Street, converting this to green space and adding a pedestrian / bike connection. Also, the remaining section of the Lake-to-Lake Route will be installed, connecting the existing lane on Atkinson Street down South Main Street.

Will there be detours on Skaha Lake Road – and when?

Yes, starting Monday, Feb. 26, 2024, anyone driving on Skaha Lake Road toward Galt Avenue should watch for traffic personnel, signage and detours for the coming months.

For drivers travelling southbound on Skaha Lake Road, access will be reduced to a single lane of traffic.

Also, those travelling northbound toward Galt Avenue will face a detour, as shown on the map on the next page. These detours will remain in place during daily construction hours (open evenings and weekends).

I need to get to a business on Skaha Lake Road. How do I access it?

Access to the businesses will continue to be available for vehicles travelling southbound on Skaha Lake Road. For those heading northbound, watch for on-site signage and follow the detours to access the businesses from the southbound lanes.

How will truck routes be detoured?

All northbound truck routes will be detoured at the intersection of Skaha Lake Road and Hwy 97, and also at Green Avenue and Skaha Lake Road. Both will indicate that trucks should use Hwy 97 versus Skaha Lake Road. Southbound lanes are open as usual.

Where can I get more information?

For a map showing the detour, plus a rough schedule of Point Intersection construction work, visit **penticton.ca/point-intersection**.

Point Intersection: Skaha Lake Road

