



2020 RDN Transit Expansion


Service changes to routes 7, 30, 40, 50 and
introduction of new routes 8 and 78



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Overview of Expansion Hours

The Regional District of Nanaimo's Board of Directors approved a transit service expansion plan that will be rolled out in January 2020 to address ridership growth. The plan involves the addition of 5,900 annual conventional transit hours. Conventional transit service expansion will involve the creation of two new routes, the adjustment of three existing routes and an increase in holiday coverage to include Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Good Friday.

The service expansion will include the implementation of two new routes:

- 8 Cedar/VIU: Connecting the community of Cedar to Vancouver Island University
- 78 YCD Airport via Cassidy/Downtown: Connecting Nanaimo to the community of Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport

Other service changes include:

- 7 Cinnabar/Downtown: Which will no longer service the Cedar area and will now travel directly between Cinnabar and Downtown, connecting to the number 8 Cedar/VIU at South Parkway Plaza, reducing trip times by up to 40 minutes
- 30 NRGH to Woodgrove/Downtown: Will see route adjustments to match service with demand
- Sunday-level service will also be added level service on Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Good Friday

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In addition to the conventional service expansion, handyDART services will also receive an expansion of 1,700 hours to help provide more service to customers.

- The service expansion will increase the handyDART service to meet demand at peak travel time
- handyDART is an accessible, door-to-door shared transit service for people with permanent or temporary disabilities that prevent them from using fixed-route transit without assistance from another person

For more information on routes, schedules and fares, please visit bctransit.com/nanaimo or pick up a new Rider's Guide. You can also use NextRide (RDNnextride.ca) to see where your bus is in real-time.

The graphic features a hand holding a smartphone displaying a map with a red bus route. A green magnifying glass icon with a white bus symbol inside is positioned over the map. To the right of the magnifying glass, the text "NEXT Ride" is displayed in large blue and green letters, followed by "Find your bus in real time" in smaller blue text. Below this, two bullet points list the features: "View the location of your bus along its route" and "Find out when your bus will arrive at its stop". At the bottom, a dark blue banner contains the website "RDNNextRide.ca" and the "BC Transit" logo.

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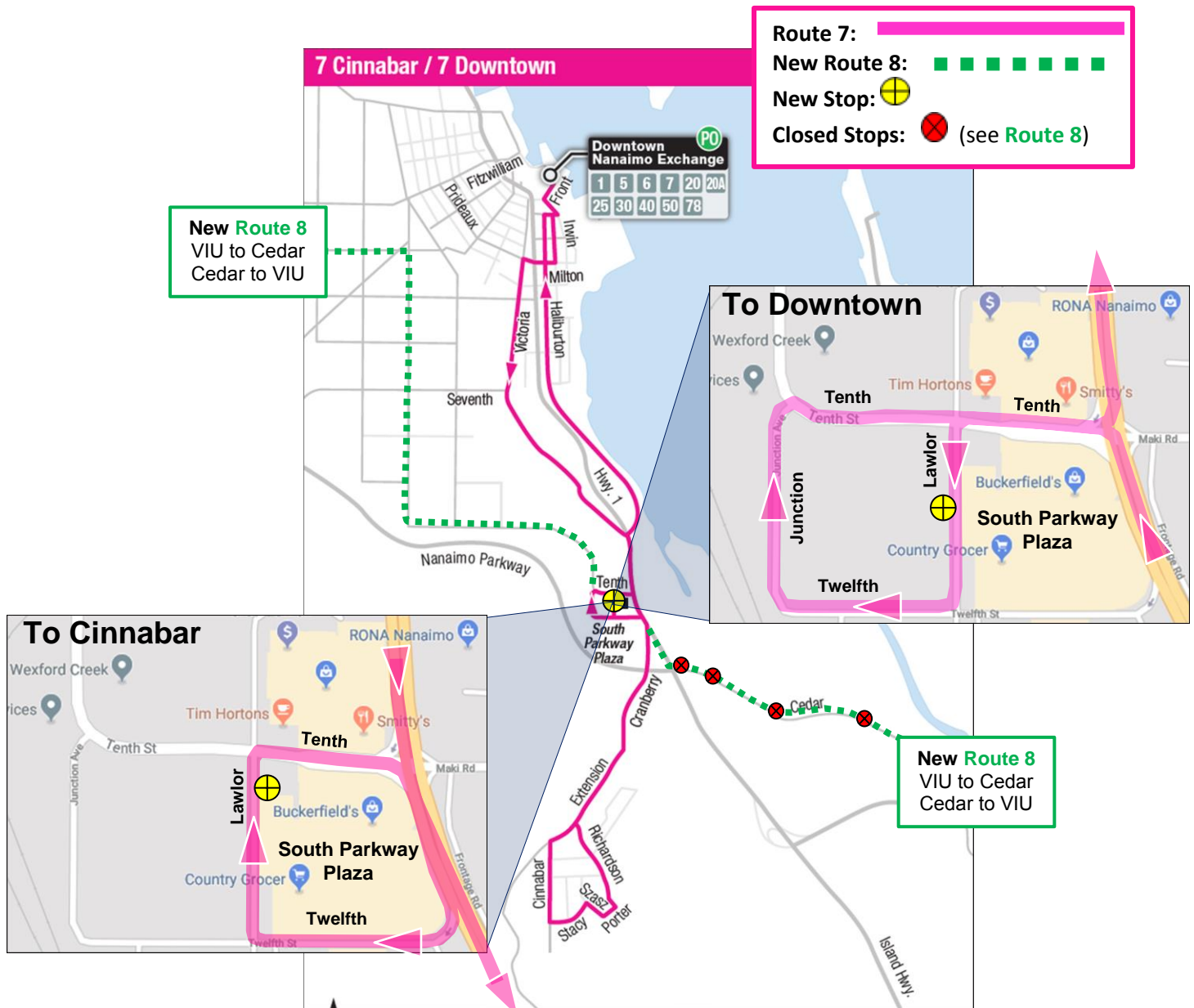
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RDN TRANSIT – ROUTE 7 CHANGE: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 5, 2020

- Cedar accessible on new **Route 8**
- New transfer location on Lawlor
- Discontinued service to Cedar on **Route 7**



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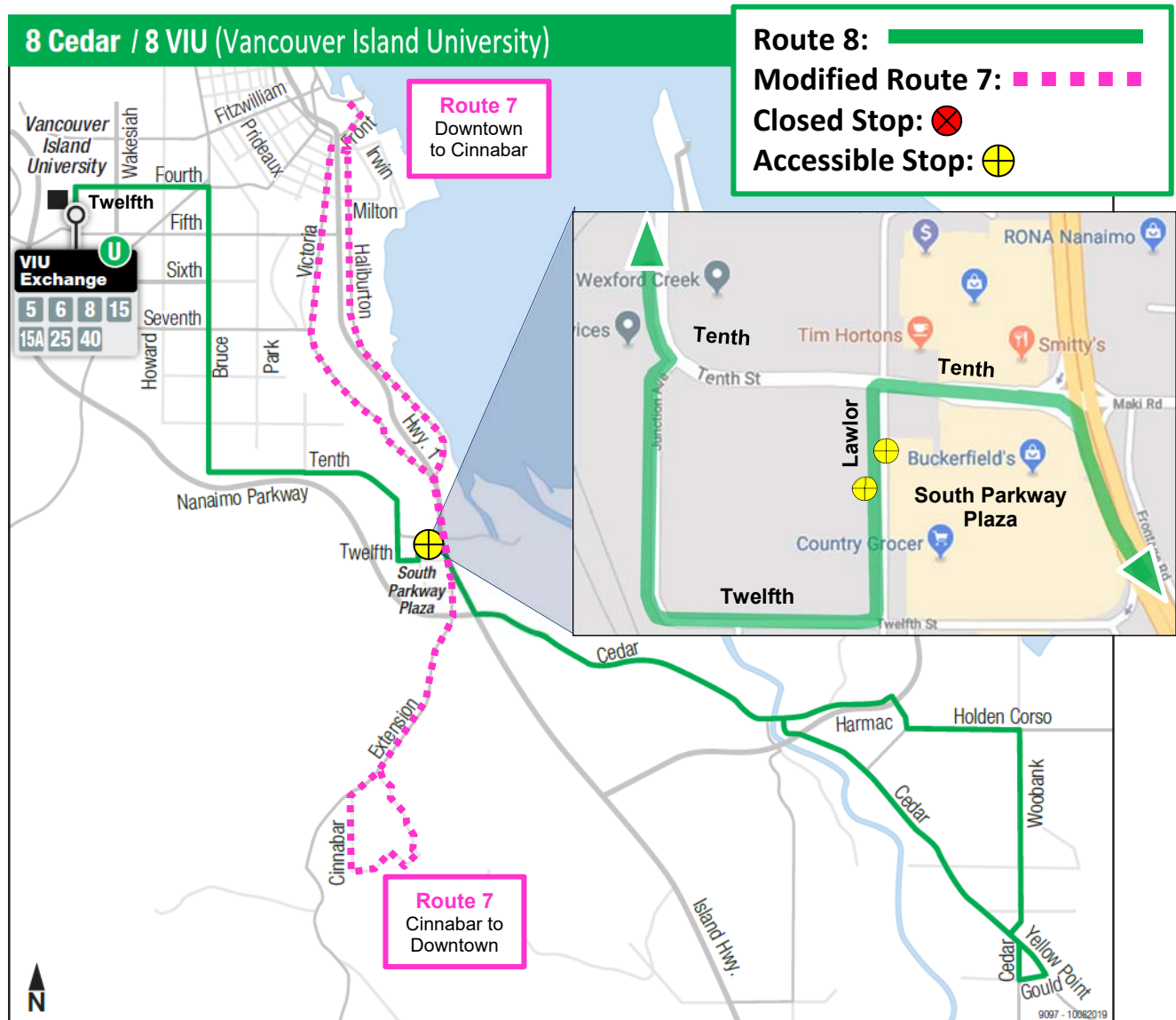
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RDN TRANSIT – ROUTE 8 NEW: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 5, 2020

- Discontinued service to Cedar on **Route 7**
- **Route 8 Cedar/VIU: Connecting the community of Cedar to Vancouver Island University**



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RDN TRANSIT – ROUTE 30 CHANGE: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 5, 2020

- Quicker/more direct service to Downtown/Country Club
- New Stops added to Boundary
- Discontinuation of Service to 30 via Duggan/Northfield/Dorman/Labieux
- Discontinuation of Service to Nelson/Hallen/Strathmore



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RDN TRANSIT – ROUTE 40 CHANGE: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 5, 2020


- Renewed Service to Bastion Street (Painted Turtle) – Inbound Only
- Direct Service to Gabriola Ferry Terminal
- New Stop on Front
- Improved system connectivity



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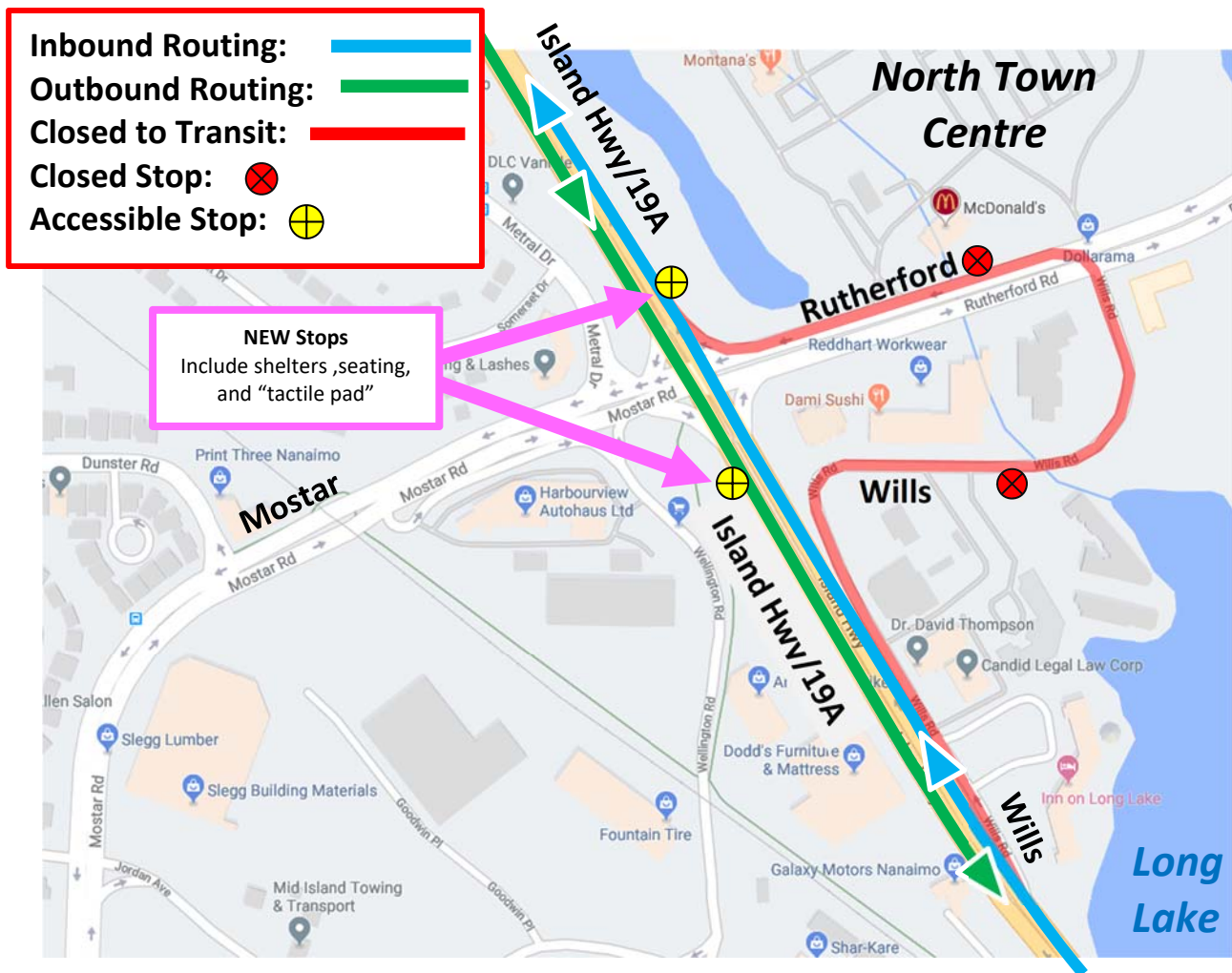
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RDN TRANSIT – ROUTE 50 CHANGE: **EFFECTIVE JANUARY 5, 2020**

- New Northbound/Southbound Accessible Stops at Mostar & Rutherford
- Transfer Opportunities to/from the 15 or 30 on Metral
- Quicker Northbound Service to Woodgrove from Country Club
- Termination of Service to Wills Road



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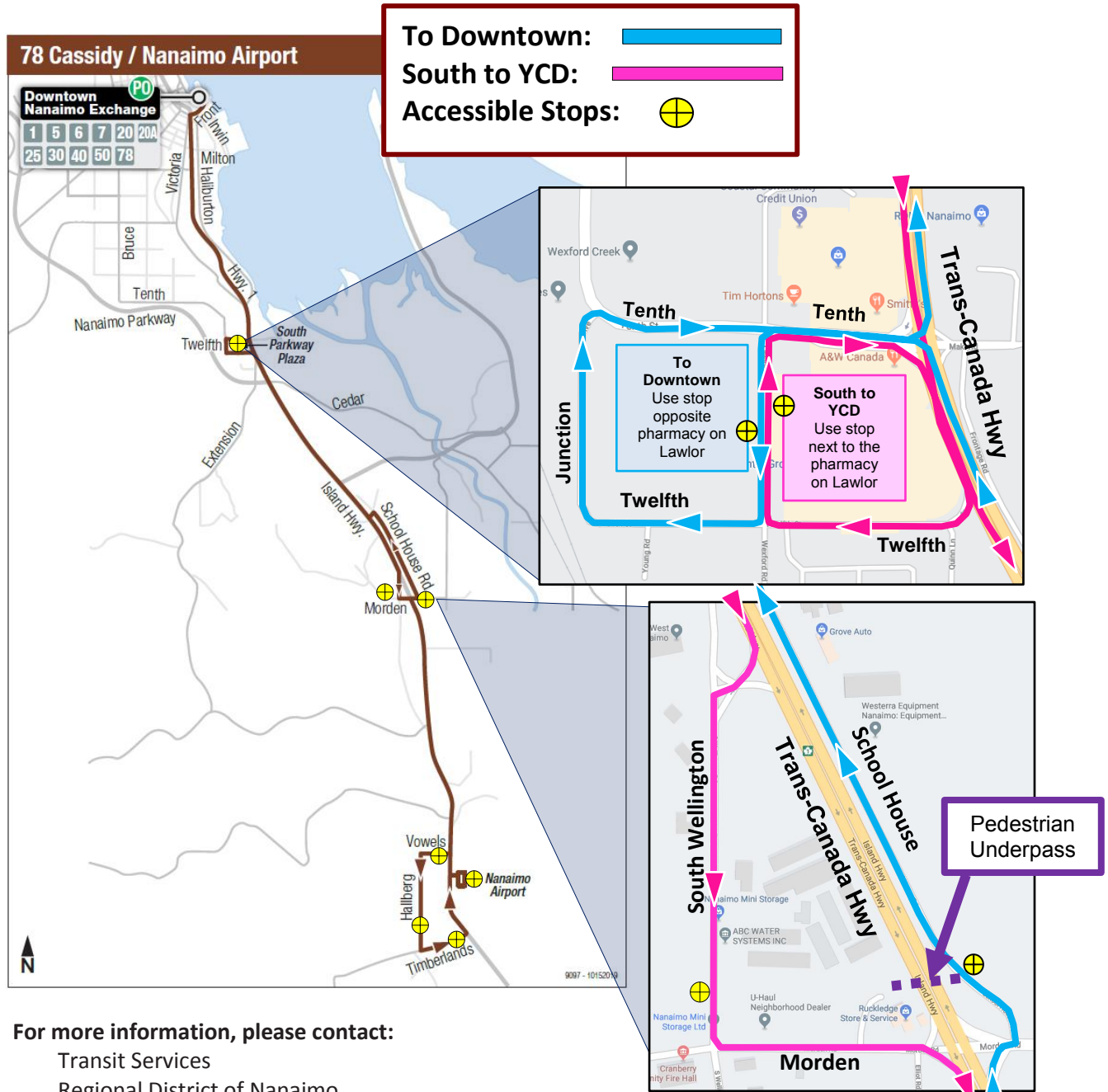
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RDN TRANSIT – ROUTE 78 NEW: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 5, 2020


- Service to Nanaimo Airport (YCD)
- Service to Southwellington/Cassidy
- 5 trips per weekday (Monday – Friday only)



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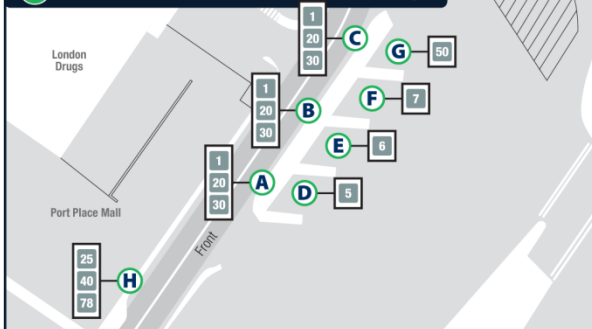
Routes Serving the Exchanges

1	Country Club/Downtown	25	Ferry Shuttle/Woodgrove
5	Fairview	30	NRGH
6	Harewood	40	VIU Express
7	Cinnabar/Downtown	50	Woodgrove/Downtown
8	Cedar/VIU	78	YCD Airport via Cassidy/Downtown
11	Lantzville	91	Intercity
15 15A	VIU/Woodgrove		
20 20A	Hammond Bay/Dover		

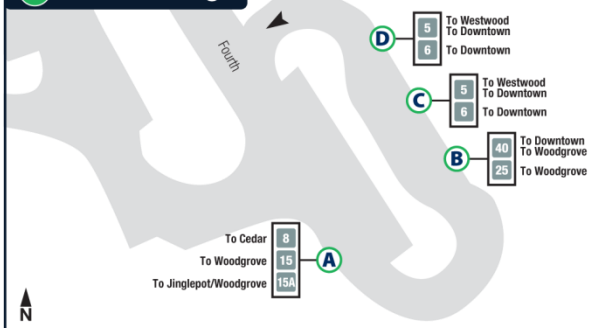
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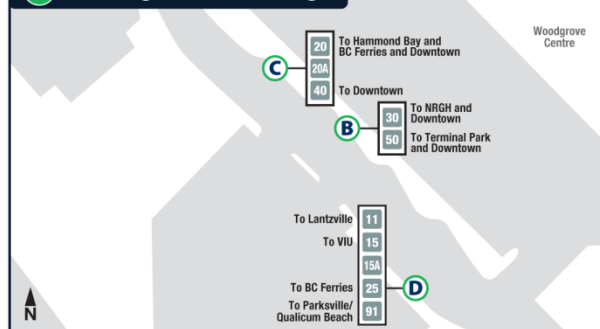
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U VIU Exchange

**PX Parksville Exchange**

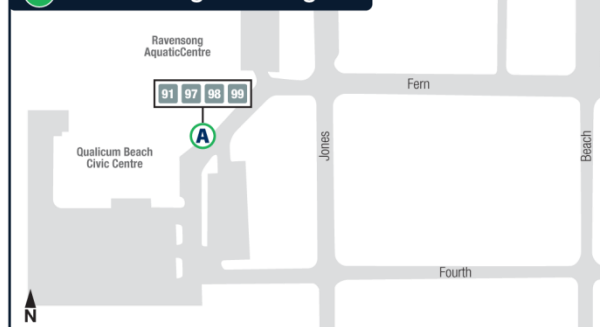
G Woodgrove Exchange



D Country Club Exchange




RP Ravensong Exchange



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