

Regional District of Nanaimo Board – Meeting Date: February 10, 2026

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Battery Electric Bus – Regional District of Nanaimo Administration Property Tree Removal Update

At the February 10, 2026, In Camera Board meeting, the Board voted to rise and report with public communications at the appropriate stage of design and permitting prior to the removal of the trees.

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Trees Being Removed for Transit Infrastructure

Tree removal at the Regional District of Nanaimo's (RDN) property at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo is taking place to accommodate necessary infrastructure upgrades. Of the trees in the small construction area (as identified in the accompanying image), most must be removed. An arborist was consulted to ensure as many trees as possible are retained on the site alongside the required infrastructure. The tree removal will not impact parking lot access or the services provided at the administration or transit buildings. Phase 1 will begin on March 11, 2026, and Phase 2 is projected to begin around late April 2026.

The RDN will be adding 10 battery electric buses (BEBs) to its conventional transit fleet later this year. The new transit infrastructure includes BEB charging stations and associated electrical distribution equipment. The new area will also include space for generators to charge BEBs during prolonged power outages.

For information on BC Transit's battery electric bus project, visit bctransit.com/about/sustainability/electric-bus-project.

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