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RELEASE: ALTERNATE TRANSIT ROUTE PLANNED FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

COMOX VALLEY, B.C. – Should water flows in the Courtenay River or Tsolum River reach over bank flood levels today, BC Transit has prepared an alternate route in the event Fifth Street Bridge is closed. The route combines routes 3, 4 and 6, avoiding passage on the Fifth Street Bridge. The route will travel from downtown to North Island College, the Comox Centre Mall to the hospital, returning downtown (map below).

Please note that should flooding occur, the City will close area roads at the following intersections, at a minimum:

- Old Island Highway at Comox Road (at Lewis Park)
- Ryan Road at Highway 19A
- Old Island Highway and Highway 19A at Headquarters Road
- Highway 19A at 17th Street northbound

The alternate transit route will only be in effect if the Fifth Street Bridge is closed.

Customers are advised to visit www.bctransit.com for the updated information or to call Transit Information at (250) 339-5453.

BC Transit will attempt to operate according to schedule, though delays should be expected.

ALTERNATE ROUTE MAP

