



MEMO TO : Park Board Commissioners

FROM : General Manager, Vancouver Board of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Stanley Park Seawall Closure - Board Briefing Memo

Hello Commissioners,

This memo provides an update on the recent weather-related impacts to the Stanley Park seawall between Third Beach and Prospect Point.

Following an inspection by Park Board staff on Friday, February 7, and in alignment with consultant recommendations for seawall access, this section of the seawall was temporarily closed to the public. This precautionary measure was taken due to ice buildup and the potential for falling icicles from overhanging sections of the slope, following heavy snowfall and sustained below-zero temperatures.



Ice buildup on the slope

As a natural area exposed to the elements, this section of the seawall is particularly affected by extreme weather conditions. The Park Board's annual slope stabilization efforts help manage these impacts, ensuring public safety remains the top priority.



Further assessments indicate that freeze-thaw cycles associated with anticipated temperature fluctuations in the coming days could contribute to slope instability.

The seawall will remain closed until conditions stabilize and it is deemed safe for public access. Closure signs are in place throughout Stanley Park, and updates will continue to be shared through Park Board communication channels.

Regards,

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