



News Release

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Sunshine Coast cooling centres offered during heat wave

Sechelt, BC – As Environment Canada has reported, a dangerous long duration heat wave is expected over the coming days. In response, Sunshine Coast local governments are offering cooling centres for citizens.

The Town of Gibsons has established two water stations, where bottled water will be available for the next several days to help people stay hydrated.

The first water station is located in Lower Gibsons at the bus stop in front of Winegarden Park, at 354 Gower Point Road. There is also a public drinking fountain nearby.

The second water station is in Upper Gibsons, at the bus stop in front of Elphinstone Senior Secondary school at 840 Gibsons Way.

Public water fountains within the Town of Gibsons can also be found at Dougall Park and Armour's Beach.

In Sechelt, the Sechelt Aquatic Centre will have a cooling room and water available. Due to COVID-19 protocols, this cooling area is limited to a maximum number of 12 people at any one time. The opening hours for this area are as follows:

- Saturday 9am – 5pm
- Sunday 10am – 4pm
- Monday 9am – 9pm

Sechelt has eight water fountains: two in Davis Bay, one in Mission Park, one in Friendship Park, one in Spirit Square (beside the Visitor Information Centre), one in Hackett Park, one in the Skateboard park, and one in Kinnikinnick Park.

Residents are encouraged to follow heat warnings of Environment Canada and follow the health advice on the HealthLink BC website.

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