



News Release

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Update: Additional cooling centres being offered during heat wave

Sechelt, BC – Hot temperatures continue on the Sunshine Coast and local governments are working to ensure residents have a place to cool off. Cooling centres will now be offered in both Sechelt and Gibsons for the next two days.

The cooling centre locations are as follows:

Gibsons & Area Community Centre, 700 Park Road

The cooling centre is located in room 209 and allows for a maximum of 20 people under COVID-19 safety protocols. Signage is posted at the front of the facility with directions to the cooling centre.

Hours:

Monday 12:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Tuesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sechelt Aquatic Centre, 5500 Shorncliffe Avenue

To locate the cooling centre, follow signs posted at the front of the facility. This cooling centre allows for a maximum of 12 people under COVID-19 protocols.

Hours:

Monday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Tuesday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

As was previously mentioned in a news release issued on Friday, there a number of other ways for residents to cool off.

The Town of Gibsons has established two water stations, with bottled water available.

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 Armours Beach.

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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