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First Credit Union Announces Branch Renovation to Begin Fall 2020

Powell River, BC, August 31, 2020: First Credit Union announced that it will begin an exterior and interior renovation of its Powell River branch (located at 4721 Joyce Avenue) in fall 2020 with an expected completion date late 2021.

The Powell River branch, constructed in 1995, requires significant upgrades to heat pumps, lighting, roofing, and windows, to ensure it remains operational for the next 25 years. In addition to this necessary upkeep, the Board of Directors has also approved an upgrade to the building façade, which will improve its energy efficiency, and a branch redesign to better meet member and employee needs. The updated design will include an improved contact centre, meeting rooms, enhanced training spaces for employee development, new technology for member communication, and improved ATMs.

“We are excited about the renovations to our Powell River branch,” said Linda Bowyer, CEO of First Credit Union. “Our members who rely on this location can look forward to an upgraded banking experience as well as modern technology and features.”

The branch will be fully operational during the renovations; members can visit the branch in person during branch hours, access the ATM and utilize online/mobile banking. “We apologize for any inconvenience this renovation will cause our members; we promise our newly-renovated branch will be worth it,” says Bowyer.

In addition to renovating its Powell River branch, First Credit Union has recently opened a Courtenay branch location at 1599 Cliffe Avenue. This new location (17th & Cliffe) offers full-service banking options and a ding free ATM for all credit union members.

For questions about the renovation, please contact the Powell River branch at (604) 485-6206.

About First Credit Union

First Credit Union is the longest-running credit union in BC, incorporated in 1939. With five credit union branches, over \$500 million in credit union assets, and \$160 million in wealth management assets, the organization serves over 12,000 members in five coastal communities.

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