

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Who: The Sunbury Neighbourhood Association and friends

What: We Are Not Amused! Victoria Day Garden Party and Paint-In.

The event is in opposition to the proposed South Fraser Perimeter Road (SFPR). Tea and cookies will be served; banners and paint supplies will be provided.

**When: Victoria Day – Monday,
May 24th, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

Where: 10300 block River Road,
Delta; near River Rd & Centre St.
(10 minutes from Scott Road
Skytrain or 15 from Ladner
Exchange on the 640 bus)



Why: To express our royal displeasure with the provincial government's petulant scheme to bulldoze over North Delta's history, pave the banks of the Fraser River, and destroy this historic neighbourhood. It should be preserved as a Historic Waterfront Park, not destroyed by a freeway.

"This beautiful and historic waterfront site is our local frontline in the struggle to stop global warming. Building a new four lane freeway when transit projects are being delayed for lack of funding violates the Liberals' legislated commitment to reduce greenhouse gases 33 per cent by 2020. Making a waterfront park in our neighbourhood instead of a waterfront freeway is our way of thinking globally and acting locally," says Sunbury Neighbourhood Association member Ernie Baatz.

The event is a way to draw attention to what is happening in the Sunbury Community, and to provide an outlet for residents to voice their frustration with Gateway's SFPR project. "The government claims they do not have money for teachers, seniors, health care or public transit," says Richelle Giberson, a Sunbury Neighbourhood Association member, "yet they plan to spend an estimated 1.3 billion dollars on a waterfront freeway. This really makes me question what our government's priorities are."

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