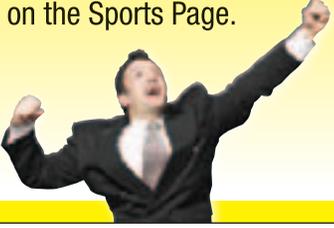


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Tunnel vision for Gateway

Planned perimeter road along South Fraser would devastate a way of life, residents say



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Don Hunt stands on a bluff overlooking the Fraser River from Sunbury, a bedroom community he says will be devastated if the provincial government builds a four-lane trucking corridor through the heart of his neighbourhood.

The planned perimeter road along the South Fraser is part of the Gateway Program, outlined in a Jan. 31 report, which will allow for increased shipping capacity between Asia, Canada and the U.S.

what it is
The Gateway Program was established by the province in response to the impact of growing regional congestion. Its aim is to improve the movement of people, goods and transit throughout Greater Vancouver.

Hunt says many in Sunbury agree with the economic arguments for developing infrastructure, but they're proposing a tunnel that would preserve what was once a sleepy fishing village settled by Scandinavians in the 1800s.

Some founding families, like the Iversons, are still around.

Sig Iverson is 94 and has lived in Sunbury ever since she moved from Vancouver Island to get married 75 years ago. Her daughter lives down the street with her family. Her son lives next door.

At the foot of their property, along the banks of the Fraser, is the family's net shed where her son's fishing boat is moored.



Don Hunt stands on a bluff overlooking the Fraser River yesterday. The property is slated for development as a trucking corridor under the province's Gateway Program.

The perimeter road will roll right over the Iverson's property, and their way of life, says Hunt, and the money the government would pay for the properties can't compensate for that.

"You won't be able to find them another

place like this where they can all live together and they've got the family business in the front yard," he says.

There are other problems, Hunt continues: The road will cut through ecologically sensitive ravines and salmon spawning streams;

property values will be reduced; pollution will affect residents, including children at an elementary school a mere 250 metres from the planned corridor.

Despite the added cost, a tunnel is the best option to avoid all this, Hunt argues.

Crooner Michael Bublé crowned artist of the year at Juno Awards

Metro's music writer Ian Nathanson was in Halifax over the weekend and bore witness when honeyed ballads edged out rock anthems as Vancouver's Michael Bublé (pictured right) snagged four Juno Awards.

Bublé was crowned artist of the year and his song Home, a softhearted track about feeling homesick, was named single of the year.

"You know, I hoped that you liked my

music but to win artist of the year is to know that you actually love my paintings," he said. "Canada, you made my night."

Our own Pamela Anderson hosted the rollicking two-hour celebration, held at Halifax's Metro Centre before 7,500 people and broadcast across the country.

Look for Nathanson's report on the Juno Awards, page 10.

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