

BACKGROUNDER

Status of seismic projects in the Vancouver school district

The primary objective of the Seismic Mitigation Program is to achieve a life-safety standard for schools by minimizing the probability of local structural collapse as a result of a seismic event.

The information below outlines the status of seismic projects in the Vancouver school district (SD 39) as of August 19, 2014, based on the Ministry of Education's Seismic Mitigation Program Progress Report.

Seismic Projects Completed by VBE since 2004 (total: 20):

- Charles Dickens Elementary
- Sir Wilfred Laurier Elementary
- Simon Fraser Elementary
- John Norquay Elementary
- Vancouver Technical Secondary
- Ideal Mini School (Laurier Annex)
- Captain James Cooke Elem.
- Kerrisdale Elementary
- Trafalgar Elementary
- Britannia Community Elem.
- Sir James Douglas Annex
- Walter Moberly Elementary
- Sir Richard McBride Elem.
- Total Education (General Brock Annex)
- Ecole Jules Quesnel Elem.
- Laura Secord Elementary
- Lord Kitchener Elementary
- University Hill Secondary
- Sir James Douglas Elementary
- J.W. Sexsmith Community Elem.

Project Scope and Budgets Approved - currently in Design or Construction (total: 5):

- Kitsilano Secondary
- General Gordon Elementary
- Queen Mary Elementary
- L'ecole Bilingue Elementary
- Lord Strathcona Community Elem.

***Supported by Government - Pending VBE Documentation (total: 23):**

- John Oliver Secondary (2005)
- Sir Matthew Begbie Elem. (2005)
- Sir Sandford Fleming Elem. (2005)

- Sir Guy Carleton Community (2005)
- Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith Elem.
- Dr. George M. Weir Elementary
- Sir Wilfred Grenfell Community
- Killarney Secondary
- David Thompson Secondary
- Maple Grove Elementary
- Lord Tennyson Elementary
- Dr. Annie B. Jamieson Elem.
- Eric Hamber Secondary
- Point Grey Secondary
- Renfrew Community
- Sir Alexander MacKenzie Elem.
- Waverley Elementary
- Edith Cavell Elementary
- Prince of Wales Secondary
- Templeton Secondary
- General Wolfe Elementary
- David Lloyd George Elementary
- Bayview Community Elementary

****Awaiting Government Approval**

- Lord Nelson Elementary

**There are also additional 40 seismic high-risk VBE schools remaining to be addressed under the Ministry of Education's Seismic Mitigation Program. Government will consider these projects in the future pending an approved long term VBE facilities plan and considerable progress on the VBE seismic projects listed above that have already been supported by government to proceed.*

***In fall 2013, the Vancouver Board of Education had received Ministry of Education's approval on the project agreement for the seismic upgrade of Lord Nelson Elementary. However, the Board postponed the signing of the agreement until January 2014 and the project office must be established first before this project can proceed.*

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