

Kinsol Trestle Project Launch Set For Tuesday

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THE CHAIR OF A FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN TO REHABILITATE THE KINSOL TRESTLE IN THE COWICHAN VALLEY SAYS THERE IS LITTLE RISK IN STARTING WORK ON THE PROJECT WITHOUT ACTUALLY HAVING ALL THE MONEY IN THE BANK.

A SOD TURNING TOMORROW WILL MARK THE CEREMONIAL START OF WORK ON THE SEVEN MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT, WHICH STILL NEEDS ABOUT 760 THOUSAND DOLLARS IN DONATIONS.

FUNDRAISING CHAIR JACK PEAKE SAYS HE'S NOT PARTICULARLY NERVOUS ABOUT IT, OFTEN THERE WILL BE A SPURT OF DONATIONS WHEN PEOPLE SEE A PROJECT BECOMING REALITY.

"Oftentimes people will say 'are you really sure this is going to happen?' because initially we said we can't move forward until we have certain segments of money. Those segments of money are in place. We can do the core part of the project."

PEAKE ADMITS THE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN HAS SUFFERED A SETBACK RECENTLY. AN EARLIER PROMISE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN BY A DONOR WHO'S "CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE CHANGED", SO THE CAMPAIGN ACTUALLY NEEDS MORE MONEY NOW THAN IT THOUGHT IT DID SIX MONTHS AGO.