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Kelowna and Vernon Hospitals Project

Kelowna General Hospital Site Update

Site Activities at KGH as of October 5, 2009

Patient Care Tower

Things are really beginning to take shape at the Kelowna General Hospital construction site. Graham Construction has already started pouring the concrete for the sixth and final floor of the new Patient Care Tower. Once that is done, they start on the roof, which they hope to have on by the end of November.

At that time, we hope to have a “building topping” celebration. This is a construction tradition, whereby when they put the roof on a building, they raise an evergreen branch or tree to “top” it off. Wouldn't that be a great way to welcome the Christmas season!

Work has begun on the exterior walls of the second, third and fourth floors. Graham hopes to have them closed in before the snow flies so they can work indoors for most of the winter. They have already begun framing on the second and third floors, and are starting to rough in the mechanical and electrical equipment.

Don't forget, you can view time-lapse photographs of the construction on our website from a digital web camera. View the image at www.buildingpatientcare.ca/kgwebcam.

UBC/Parkade

As our construction manager, Mark Casson, likes to say, “they're really thumping along” on the final phases of construction of the UBC medical school building and parkade, aiming to hit the December completion target.

The interior finishing of the UBC building is underway. That includes painting, ceiling installation, electrical and mechanical finishing and installation of equipment. The elevators that will link the UBC building to the parkade are being built and installed.

They have finished the concrete in the parkade and are now ready to begin on the “traffic topping,” which is a special material to protect the concrete from all the traffic that will be driving on it in just a couple of months.

Parking at KGH

Please observe all parking regulations on and off the site. And please be respectful of our neighbours by not blocking driveways and by obeying all city parking regulations. Go to www.buildingpatientcare.ca for an up-to-date parking map of the KGH site.