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Dear Mr. Schuurman:

Re: Request For Marked Crosswalk On Berkley Road At Sechelt Drive -Adjacent Pathway

Further to our recent acknowledgement, we have now completed our review of your request for a signed and marked crosswalk on Berkley Road at the pathway immediately north of Sechelt Drive.

For your information, the District of North Vancouver receives many requests for the installation of signed and marked crosswalks. Studies have shown that with all things being equal in terms of the volumes of pedestrians and vehicles, there are actually more pedestrians struck at marked crosswalks versus unmarked crosswalks. This is attributed to the fact that some pedestrians display a false sense of security at a painted crosswalk. For this reason, the District is very selective in terms of where crosswalks are painted and a thorough analysis of each request is carried out.

The Transportation Department refers to the guidelines or warrants contained within the Pedestrian Crossing Control Manual for British Columbia when considering requests for pedestrian crossing control devices.

In determining the type of pedestrian crosswalk most suited for a particular crossing location, we consider a number of factors, which include:

- I. Pedestrian and vehicle volumes
- II. Number of safe crossing opportunities
- III. Roadway width, and
- IV. The proximity of adjacent pavement markings, signs or signals

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A pedestrian and vehicle volume study was conducted on April 7, 2003 at the subject location. For your information, the data collected showed that the present number of pedestrians and the vehicular volumes at this crossing fall well below the minimum levels required for a signed and marked crosswalk. In light of the warrants not being met we regret to advise you that we will not be installing a signed and marked crosswalk at this time.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to write us. Please contact the undersigned at 990-2384 should you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Alex Milek

Traffic Technologist