



## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Temporary access road to WinSport Canada Olympic Park scheduled to open Sept. 2**

CALGARY, Alta. – Beginning Wednesday, Sept. 2nd, visitors to WinSport Canada Olympic Park will access the park via a temporary access road 500 metres west of the existing entrance at Bowfort Road/Canada Olympic Road SW. The City of Calgary anticipates this change to become effective Wednesday afternoon with the current entrance closed to traffic the same day.

The new temporary entrance, which is a result of the City of Calgary's construction on the interchange on the TransCanada Highway, will be located at the current three-way stop near the ATCO Centre and entrance to the Frank King Day Lodge.

In addition, a secondary entrance has been created on the west side of the park via 1st Avenue SW. Users coming from the west are encouraged to enter via West Valley Rd. and Crestmont Blvd., to 101 Street SW. Visitors will then enter the park west of the Markin MacPhail Centre near Canada's Sports Hall of Fame. The City of Calgary is working with WinSport to provide signage on this access route.

As a result of construction and new access routes, please expect potential delays over the next several months when travelling through the area or entering the WinSport campus.

It is recommended that program and lesson participants or those attending events at the Markin MacPhail Centre allow extra time when planning their arrival to the park. The City is working with WinSport to help keep the traffic flowing.

The current dual-lane turn into Canada Olympic Park from westbound on the TransCanada Highway will now be a single lane into the new temporary access. However, the City of Calgary will increase the turning time through the light.

Construction is expected to be completed in 2017.

From the City of Calgary: The finished project design includes a six-lane cross-section for the TransCanada and a single point urban interchange at Bowfort Road with a six-lane bridge accommodating dual left turns in all directions and two through lanes in each direction on Bowfort Road.

The design also incorporates a new storm water management system, utility relocations, construction of sidewalks and pathways, and landscaping.



# TEMPORARY ACCESS MAP



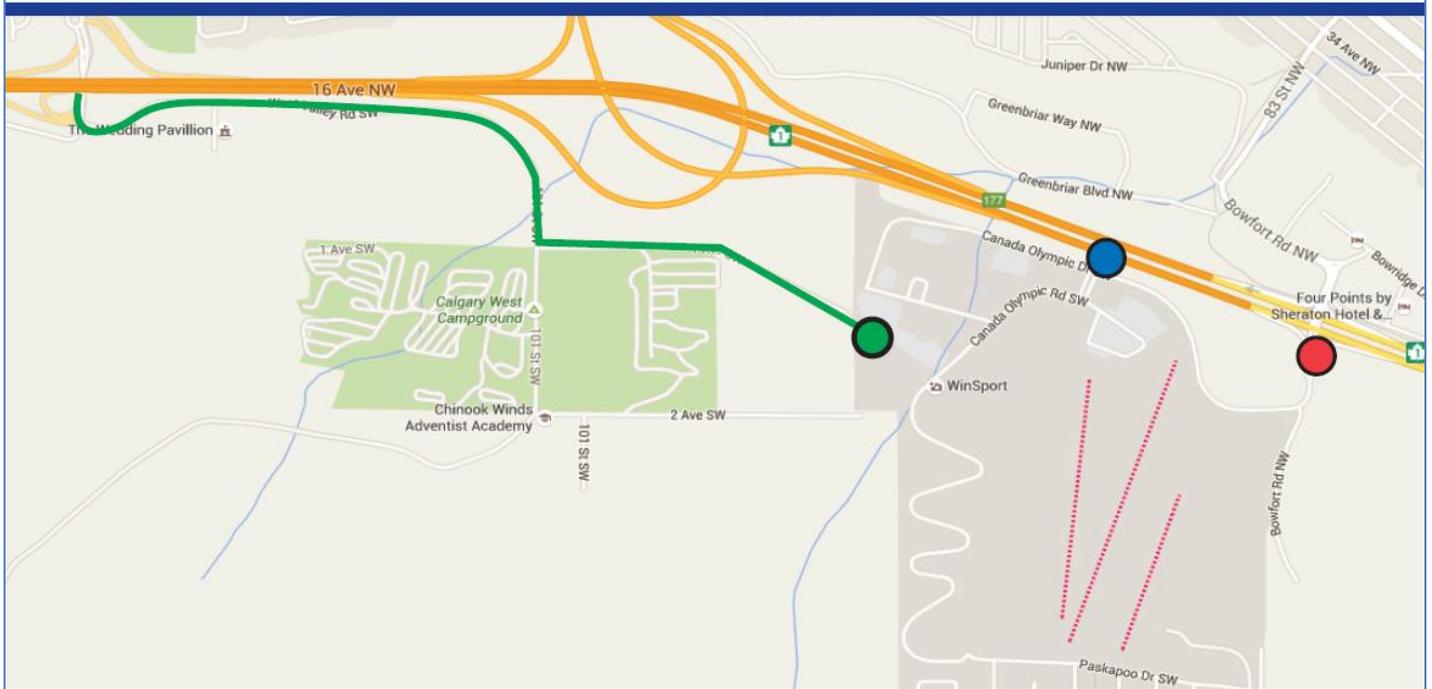
New Entrance - 101st St (via Highway 1)



Frank King Day Lodge Access



Current Entrance - Closed



## About WinSport

*The Winter Sport Institute provides world-class sport facilities where Canadian athletes can discover, develop and excel. WinSport owns and operates Canada Olympic Park in Calgary, Alta., the Bill Warren Training Centre located at the Canmore Nordic Centre and the Beckie Scott High Performance Training Centre on Haig Glacier, Alta. A not-for-profit organization, WinSport supports national sport organizations, encourages educational opportunities and subsidizes the operation of unique training and recreational facilities used by the nation's top athletes and the general public. For more information on WinSport please visit [www.winsport.ca](http://www.winsport.ca).*

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