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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Halifax Harbour Bridges (HHB) shuttle service to begin Sunday evening

(Dartmouth, N.S.) - On Sunday June 28th, at 7:00 p.m., the pedestrian and bike lanes on the Macdonald Bridge will close for 18 months due to work related to the Big Lift. During this time HHB will offer a free, 24/7 shuttle service for active transportation users.

The three 17 passenger buses can accommodate wheelchairs and scooters and each bus will pull a trailer that can accommodate 12 bikes. Buses will also have a bike rack attached to the front of the bus. Cyclists will be required to load and unload their own bikes. The pick-up and drop off location in Dartmouth is 30 Faulkner Street. The location in Halifax is on North Street just below Gottingen.

Shuttle schedule

The initial HHB shuttle schedule will be “load and go” during peak hours (5:30 am – 9:30 am and 3pm – 6:30 pm) and every half hour during non-peak times. The shuttle will travel the Macdonald Bridge when it is open and the MacKay Bridge when the Macdonald Bridge is closed.

The shuttle will not make additional stops along the routes. HHB asks that users allow some extra time for their commutes when the shuttle service begins.

“This is a new service for HHB and we ask users allow some extra time to get to their destination,” says HHB CEO Steve Snider. “As we gain experience with actual demand, and receive user feedback, we will adjust the schedule if needed.”

The pedestrian and bike lanes will be used as work staging and access platforms for several weeks before the first sections are physically removed from the suspended spans.

For more information visit www.thebiglift.ca

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