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Canada's First Summer Long Weekend, May 20, 2019

As a result of the popularity of Canada's first summer long weekend, May 20, 2019 combined with the large crowds that descend upon Bay Beach throughout the summer especially on holiday weekends, the Town of Fort Erie thought it necessary to clarify what will be available at Bay Beach this May long weekend.

Bay Beach has been under construction for the last year, a project that has taken massive amounts of planning, design, construction, organizing and fundraising. Bay Beach is not set to officially open until the following weekend on Sunday May 26 at 11am.

The park section of Bay Beach that includes a playground, washroom facility, pergola and other amenities will not be open for the May 20 holiday and will remain fenced off to the public. This is to ensure that all inspections have been completed and that everything is up to code and safe for the public before opening.

With this being said there will still be those that wish to use the beach during the May 20 holiday. The beach at Bay Beach will be available for locals and visitors alike to use and enjoy. The only entrance and exit available will be through the Ashwood entrance, similar to last year. Additionally this year security will also be present, checking bags upon entrance to the beach to ensure a safe beach experience for everyone and security and Town of Fort Erie By-law enforcement officers will also be patrolling the beach. Similar to last year will be the use of porta potties as the washrooms in the new park area of Bay Beach will not be finished.

We invite everyone to come out on Sunday May 26 from 11 am – 4 pm for the Grand Re-Opening of Bay Beach, to see the completed project; we promise it was worth the wait!