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Industry News



Vancouver Developer Sets Benchmark for ESG Reporting in Construction

From 2024, Canadian financial institutions and listed companies must provide ESG disclosures, including climate-related risks and gender diversity. Townline Housing Solutions, a Vancouver-based developer, has proactively published a comprehensive ESG report, highlighting their current measures and setting a high standard for the construction industry.

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Provincial News



Wildfire Season Starts Slow, Except in the Northeast

While most of B.C. is experiencing a slower start to the wildfire season, northeastern regions, particularly near Nogah Creek and Patry Creek, are still battling out-of-control fires. Despite fewer fires overall compared to last year, officials remain cautious about the potential for a long fire season due to ongoing drought conditions.



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Labour and Economy



Canada Sees Minimal Job Growth in May Amid Rising Unemployment

In May, Canada's economy added 27,000 jobs, with the unemployment rate increasing slightly to 6.2%. Part-time employment rose by 62,000 positions, while full-time employment declined by 36,000 jobs, reflecting challenging economic conditions.

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\$32.6 Million Invested in Clean Technology to Reduce Industrial Emissions

The CleanBC Industry Fund is allocating \$32.6 million to 12 industrial projects, promoting clean technology and job creation. Investments include over \$7 million for Lafarge Canada's alternative fuels infrastructure and over \$6 million for the City of Vancouver's methane capture at the landfill, significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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Infrastructure and Transportation



Construction Begins on 80 Affordable Homes in Kamloops

Construction has started on 80 affordable rental homes in Kamloops, B.C., targeting seniors and families. The project, named The Confluence, is a collaboration between the Province of British Columbia, BC Housing, the City of Kamloops, and the ASK Wellness Society, with completion expected



in early 2026.

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Quality Concerns Raised Over Trans Mountain Pipeline's Crude Shipments

U.S. refiners have expressed concerns about the high vapour pressure and acidity of crude oil from the newly expanded Trans Mountain pipeline, potentially deterring purchases. Despite these quality issues, the cost and proximity of Canadian crude have so far outweighed the concerns, with initial shipments being accepted by West Coast refineries.

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Health & Safety



Mental Health Presumption Expanded to Include 11 New Occupations

On June 10, 2024, the mental health presumption was extended to 11 additional occupations, including parole officers, probation officers, and social workers. This regulatory change builds on amendments to the Workers Compensation Act, recognizing mental health disorders associated with various high-stress professions.

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Support and Funding



For a list of current funding resources and supports for employers and apprentices visit the [CLR website](#).

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