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Industry News



CHBA BC Backs New Development Charge Flexibility to Boost Housing Delivery

CHBA BC supports new B.C. rules, easing upfront development costs to help accelerate housing construction.

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Tap into national insights, peer learning, and strategy at NCLRA 2025—Canada's top labour relations conference for unionized construction employers.

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Infrastructure and Transportation



BC Hydro Cuts Power Connection Costs

Faster, cheaper electricity connections now available for new B.C. homes and businesses.

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Public Engagement Opens for New Infrastructure Legislation

The B.C. government is inviting industry feedback on the new *Infrastructure Projects Act*, aiming to fast-track critical community infrastructure projects.

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Labour and Economy



Canada Launches Red Tape Review to Modernize Regulations

The federal government has tasked all Ministers with identifying outdated regulations within 60 days to attract private investment.

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Vancouver Home Sales Dip but Signs of Recovery Emerge

June sales fell 10%, yet analysts see momentum building as mortgage conditions improve and listings rise.

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Canada Diversifies Trade Amid Ongoing U.S. Tariff Strain

While Canada is seeing record-high exports to non-U.S. countries like the U.K., ongoing U.S. tariffs keep Canadian exporters tied to their most accessible market despite diversification efforts.

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U.S. Plans 50% Tariff on Copper Imports

U.S. President Trump has announced a forthcoming 50% tariff on copper imports, signalling an impact on Canada's resource exports.

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Canada Maintains Trade Deadline as U.S. Tariff Pressure Builds

While Trump delays global tariff implementation to August 1, Canada remains on track for a July 21 trade deal deadline.

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Health and Safety



B.C. Expands Opioid-Free Pain Clinics for Construction Workers



The province is funding two clinics in Burnaby and Langford to offer construction workers evidence-based, opioid-free pain management options like myoActivation therapy.

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Support and Funding



StrongerBC Skills Grant Registration Opens for Fall

B.C. residents can now apply for up to \$3,500 in StrongerBC grants for short-term training in high-demand sectors like construction, health care, and trades.

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