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This week's CLR INFO covers major B.C. infrastructure projects, Canada-U.S. tariff impacts, the Bank of Canada's latest interest rate decision, AI innovation in underground construction and upcoming industry events, including **CLR's 57th AGM & Conference**.

Infrastructure and Transportation



North Coast Transmission Line breaks ground:

Construction is underway on B.C.'s major new transmission line, with up to 1,400 workers expected at peak construction and the project supporting future mining, energy and industrial development.

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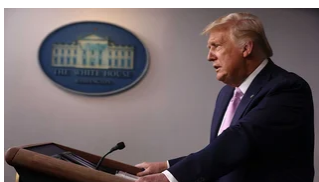


\$122-million Zanardi Rapids Bridge advances in Prince Rupert:

Construction is progressing on CN Rail's new double-track bridge, which will expand rail capacity serving the Port of Prince Rupert and is expected to enter service in 2027.

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Labour and Economy



U.S. tariffs begin disrupting Canadian shipments:

New 50% tariffs are prompting some Canadian manufacturers and exporters to delay U.S.-bound loads as businesses contend with higher duties, cash-flow pressures and trade uncertainty.

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Bank of Canada holds key interest rate at 2.25%: The central bank kept its policy rate unchanged for a seventh consecutive decision as renewed U.S. tariffs and higher energy prices add uncertainty to Canada's economic outlook.

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Innovation and Technology



B.C. startup uses AI to improve underground construction: GroundedAI combines LiDAR, 3D mapping and project data to help tunnelling teams track ground conditions, progress and potential cost or schedule variances.

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Events



CLR's 57th AGM & Conference is just days away! Join us September 17-19 in Kelowna for industry insights, practical training, networking and memorable experiences. Hear from keynote speaker Vaughn Palmer, connect with industry colleagues and choose from golf, winery tours, cycling and more. **Don't miss out. Register today and join us in Kelowna!**

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NCLRA Conference: Registration is now open for two days of industry updates, networking and labour relations discussions in Québec City, October 15-16.

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