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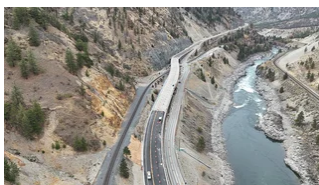
Industry News



KPU Surrey to add first on-campus housing:
\$144M project will deliver 350+ student beds and a dining hall by 2027.

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Infrastructure and Transportation



Highway 1 at Tank Hill reopens: Major upgrades are complete, including a new overpass, improved drainage, and restored grade separation. A third lane will open in October, with cleanup finished by November.

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Port of Vancouver sets record: 85M tonnes moved in early 2025, up 13%. Growth was driven by crude oil exports following the Trans Mountain expansion, along with higher canola and container volumes.

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Ronald McDonald House expands in Vancouver:
With \$18.8M in federal funding, Willow House will double capacity to 75 suites, offering net-zero, long-

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term accommodation for families of children in medical care.

Labour and Economy



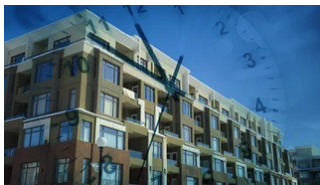
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B.C. challenges U.S. lumber tariffs: Premier Eby and Minister Parmar call the new tariffs unjustified, pledging support for forestry workers through relief measures and federal advocacy while pursuing international trade challenges.



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BCGEU strike escalates: Public sector workers rallied in Vancouver as the strike enters week five. Talks broke down after the province's 5% offer was rejected; job action now spans 167 sites across B.C.



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B.C. invests \$9M in LGDAP: New intake will fund municipal projects to streamline permitting and approvals, aiming to accelerate housing delivery and boost supply across the province.



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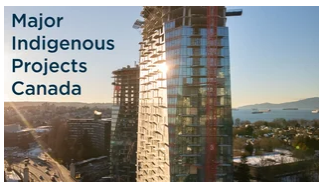
Canada Post strike: Workers walk off nationwide over reforms that cut door-to-door delivery and other services, amid mounting losses and competition.

Diversity and Inclusion



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Centre for Indigenous Laws opens at UVic: The 26,000-sq.-ft. mass timber facility supports Indigenous legal traditions and Truth and Reconciliation, featuring teaching, ceremony, and community spaces.



Major projects with Indigenous leadership: From LNG expansions to Señákw in Vancouver, billions in Indigenous-led developments are reshaping Canada's construction landscape.

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Support and Funding



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