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This week's CLR INFO highlights faster approvals for the North Coast Transmission Line, new housing and infrastructure construction in False Creek, and growing public support for energy development, alongside updates on labour, safety, and skills training across British Columbia.

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B.C. streamlines approvals for North Coast Transmission Line connections as new regulations under Bill 31 aim to accelerate project timelines and improve certainty for large industrial developments, including LNG and mining.

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Construction begins on a major False Creek mixed-use housing project that will deliver 283 non-market homes, childcare space, and a rebuilt Firehall 8 through a City–Province–non-profit partnership.



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The City of Burnaby pushes back on provincial housing density rules by proposing limits on small-lot density and reinstating minimum parking requirements amid concerns over a one-size-fits-all approach.

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Public support grows for a new Alberta-to-B.C. pipeline, with a national poll showing half of Canadians in favour and strong emphasis on Indigenous participation before construction.

Private-sector forecasters predict moderate economic growth in B.C. while highlighting opportunities tied to major projects, housing investment, and the province's natural-resource sector.

Canada posts a trade surplus in September, reversing recent deficits as exports strengthen and the surplus with the U.S. widens.

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WorkSafeBC reminds workers and the public about ladder safety following 876 accepted time-loss claims in 2024 related to ladder falls.

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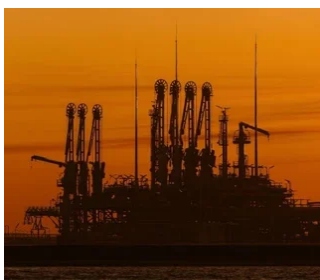
Haida Gwaii's first Indigenous-owned solar project comes online, supplying clean electricity to BC Hydro's Masset microgrid and significantly reducing diesel use.



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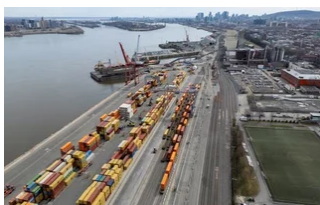
B.C. may revise DRIPA following a court ruling on mineral claims, as the province reviews consultation requirements and regulatory certainty.

Technology and Innovation



The Ksi Lisims LNG project advances toward construction, with the 12 mtpa floating facility targeting operations by 2029 and significant construction employment.

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More companies join B.C.'s Circular Construction Accelerator, expanding a cohort focused on low-carbon materials, modular construction, and circular building solutions.

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The federal government invests nearly \$9 million in green skilled-trades training to support 2,000 sheet metal workers through Canada's Building Trades Unions.

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