



The Village of
PORT CLEMENTS
“Gateway to the Wilderness”

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6:00 PM Regular Meeting of Council, Monday, June 16th, 2025

AGENDA

This meeting of the Council of the Village of Port Clements being held on the traditional territory of the Haida People.

1. ADOPT AGENDA

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

3. MINUTES

M-1—May 20th, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BA-1— Install Turn Around at End of Yakoun Street – Jessie Myles and Amber Bellis

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1—INFORMATION—Commissioning of Solar North & Associated Northern Grid Power Outages – TII Yahda Energy

C-2—INFORMATION— Province-Wide Wood Pole Protection Program – BC Hydro

C-3—INFORMATION—Small-Scale Multi-Housing Requirements Reflection – Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

C-4—INFORMATION/REQUEST—CT Scanner Project for Haida Gwaii – Haida Gwaii Medical Staff Association

C-5—INVITATION—Collective Advocacy Movement for Resource Communities – City of Campbell River

C-6—INVITATION—Future of Economic Development Services on Haida Gwaii – North Coast Regional District

C-7—INVITATION—2025 Union of BC Municipalities Convention Provincial Appointments – Province of BC

C-8—REQUEST—Joint Letter re: Advocating Extension of Incentives in the North – Haida Gwaii Protocol Table

C-9—REQUEST— Support Joint Advocacy Letter on Trawl Industry in Haida waters – Haida Gwaii Protocol Table

6. FINANCE

F-1—2024 Statement of Financial Information

Recommended motion: THAT Council approves the 2024 Statement of Financial Information

7. GOVERNMENT

G-1—Crosswalk – Verbal— CAO Dobson

G-2—Canada Days Weekend – Verbal – Discussion

G-3—Update on Financial Report from School District - Verbal

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

R-1—INFO—Regular Report on Current Operations – CAO Dobson

10. ACTION ITEMS

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

12. IN-CAMERA

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- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;
- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (d) the security of the property of the municipality;

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- (b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiation between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party;
- (c) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public must be excluded from the meeting.

13. RISE AND REPORT

14. ADJOURNMENT



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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, Tuesday, May 20th, 2025

Present:

Mayor Scott Cabianca
Councillor Brigid Cumming via conferencing
Councillor Kazamir Falconbridge via conferencing

Not Present:

Councillor Dennis Reindl
Councillor Wayne Nicol

CAO Marjorie Dobson
Deputy CAO Elizabeth Cumming

Members of the public: none

Meeting Called to order at 6:02 PM

Mayor Cabianca: I call to order this Regular Council Meeting of the Council of the Village of Port Clements being held on the traditional territory of the Haida People.

1. ADOPT AGENDA

2025-05-123—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council adopts the May 20th, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Agenda as presented.
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

3. MINUTES

M-1—April 22nd, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Minutes
2025-05-124—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca
THAT Council adopts the April 22nd, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
CARRIED

M-2—May 9th, 2025, Special Council Meeting Minutes
2025-05-125—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council adopts the May 9th, 2025, Special Council Meeting Minutes.
CARRIED

M-3—May 12th, 2025, Special Council Meeting Minutes
2025-05-126—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council adopts the May 12th, 2025, Special Council Meeting Minutes.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BA-1—Millennium Park Trail Expansion Proposal Follow Up
2025-05-127—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council authorize public works to proceed with the project.
CARRIED

BA-2—Scheduling Invasive Plan Management Strategy Session
2025-05-128—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge
THAT Council sends a representative to attend the Invasive Plan Management Strategic Session to be scheduled the week of May 21st.
CARRIED

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5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1—INFORMATION—2025 Grant Writing Support – Northern Development Initiative Trust

C-2—INFORMATION—Call for Comprehensive Reset of PNG and Audit – Village of Telkwa

C-3—INFORMATION—Spring Update – Misty Isles Economic Development Society

2025-05-129—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge

THAT Council receives items C-1, C-2, and C-3.

CARRIED

C-4—INVITATION—BCTS Operations Plan—BC Timber Sales, Ministry of Forests

2025-05-130—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge

THAT Council receives the BCTS Operations Plan from BC Timber Sales and sends Mayor Cabianca to attend if he's available.

CARRIED

C-5—REQUEST—Install Turn Around at End of Yakoun Street – Jessie Myles and Amber Bellis

2025-05-131—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca

THAT Council receives the request but asks public works to provide more details on how a turnaround would be able to be developed and where signage would go before considering this further.

CARRIED

C-6—REQUEST—Use of St. Mark's Church –Kelsey Lore, RMT

C-7—FOLLOW UP— Thrift Store Proposal – Kelly Green

2025-05-132—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Mayor Cabianca

THAT Council receives C-6 and C-7 for information.

CARRIED

2025-05-133—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca

THAT Council directs staff to develop a month-to-month lease agreement with Kelsey Lore RMT for her proposed use of St. Marks and negotiate a fair user fee.

CARRIED

6. FINANCE

7. GOVERNMENT

8. NEW BUSINESS

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

R-1—INFO—Regular Report on Current Operations – CAO Dobson

Mayor Cabianca: Attended a Regional District Meeting on May 9th in Prince Rupert, attended the 2025 North Central Local Government Association AGM which was a 3-day conference. There were forums on tariffs and Haida Title, etc, and attended Mayor's lunch. Bidding closed today for Tingley Watermain Improvement Project.

Councillor Cumming: Dropped the ball on doing a little thing on introducing the Village, meeting was cancelled so working on the power point. Her apologies. Meeting later this week with Haida Gwaii Community Futures. Attended the last Regular Council Meeting, Special Meetings and attended Protocol Meeting (back in March). Checked in with Port Clements Recreation Commission, with Chair, Bev Lore, no organizing or posters for it, the Recreation Commission is not organizing Canada Days this year. A coordinator is needed to actually see it happen.

Councillor Falconbridge: Did make the meeting on April 22nd, and Special Meetings on the 9th and 12th. Otherwise all quiet. Happy to see move to re-establish ESS, identifying more space in Firehall for storage of supplies. Will be away first week of July to first week of August, off-island.

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CAO Dobson: Where the Community Park Playground is concerned, received grant of \$100,000. Currently seeking c. \$123,00 in other funding sources. Not successful so far, but trying. The equipment quote expires in the summer, if we are going to move forward with this quote, need to make a decision. Met with Bev on Friday, she had some suggestions regarding the project, as soon as she gets more information she'll provide it to Council. As far as ESS program, she has advertised for volunteers but no one has responded to date. There is a plan ahead to utilize staff, and a lady who might be willing (two persons, plus Marjorie for training). As far as the province is concerned, they are thinking that it may be better to approach it from a Haida Gwaii perspective, all the communities collectively. Could be good but would need someone to lead it.

2025-05-134—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Mayor Cabianca
THAT receives the written and verbal reports from Council and staff.

CARRIED

10. ACTION ITEMS

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

12. IN-CAMERA

13. RISE AND REPORT

14. ADJOURNMENT

2025-05-135—Moved by Councillor Cumming,
THAT Council adjourns this meeting at 7:06 PM

CARRIED

Mayor Scott Cabianca

CAO Marjorie Dobson

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

Author: Elizabeth Cumming, Deputy CAO

Date: June 16th, 2025

RE: Installing Turn Around at the End of Yakoun Street Request – Follow Up

BACKGROUND:

Council received the request from the property owner of #198 Bayview Drive for the Village to install a turn around at the end of Yakoun Street to accommodate traffic. Council asked public works to provide more details on how a turn around would be able to be developed and where signage would go before considering the request further.

DISCUSSION:

See attachments to this report that show the layout and location of the proposal as provided by Public Works. Staff have also additionally included an aerial of the area with the layout overlaid to further clarify on locations (approximately).

The area that the turn around would be installed would be filled on both the left and right side of the end of Yakoun Street (and also cleared on the right side). 6 loads of Pitrun, 1 load cap rock (which the Village has in stock), and 2 cement barricades to protect nearby water valves on the left side of the proposed turn around area, would be needed. Public Works would undertake the work.

Total cost is estimated to be approximately \$2,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

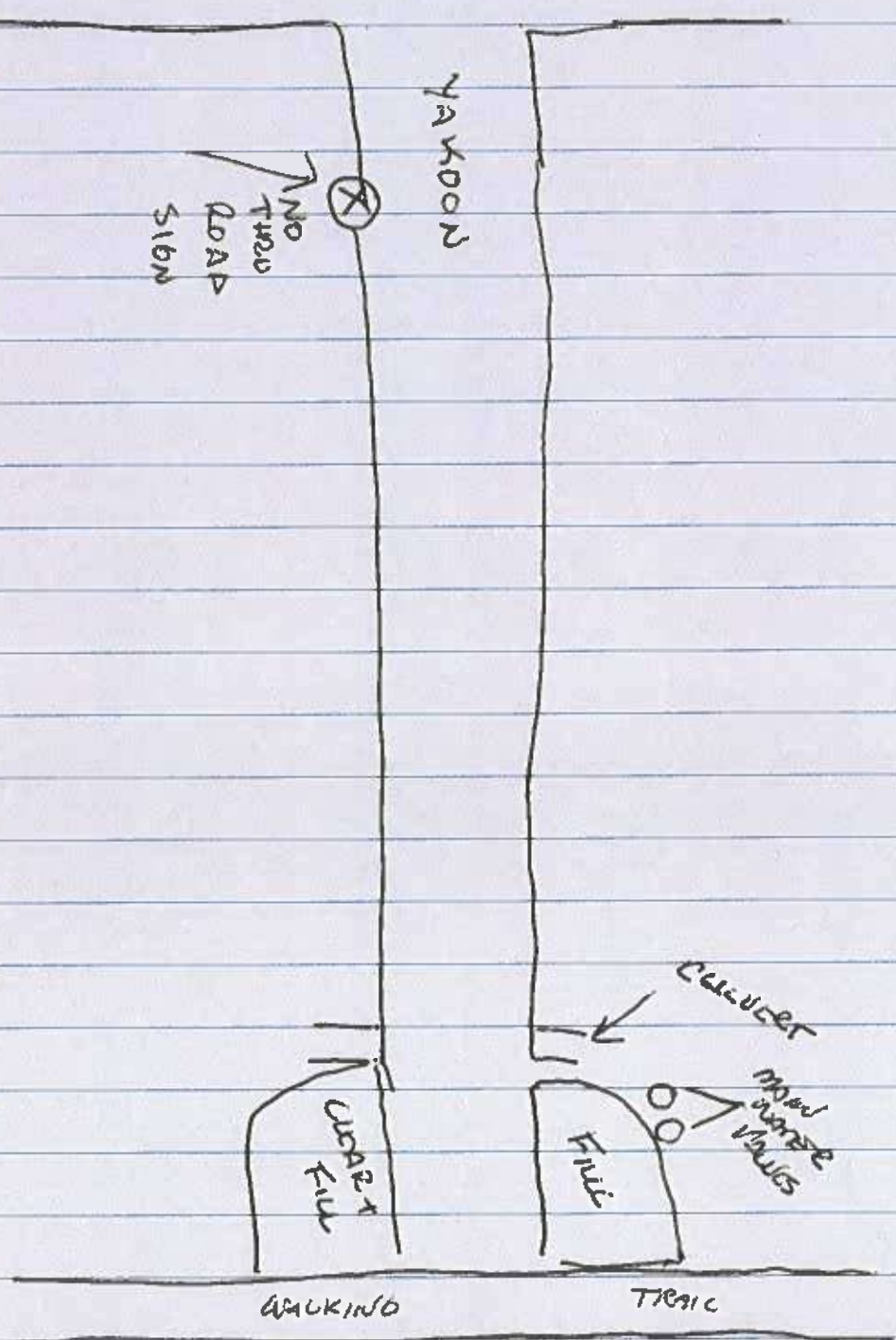
If Council is interested in constructing the requested turnaround following the proposed layout as identified by public works, a resolution is needed to be made.

Respectfully submitted: Elizabeth Cumming, Deputy CAO

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Public usable sketch of proposed turnaround + signage

CEDAR AVE WEST



WOODS FILLING @ 250.00 PER = 1500.00

1000 CAR ROCK - IN STOCK

2 CEMENT BORDER WALLS PROTECT = 200.00

1700.00 + misc. = 2000.00

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NO THRU ROAD
SIGNAGE (approx)

Turnaround
(approx)

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Elizabeth Cumming

From: Amber Bellis <amber@kingcreekfaling.com>
Sent: April 25, 2025 2:40 PM
To: Elizabeth Cumming
Subject: End of Yakoun Street

Hello Elizabeth

Writing in to request a turn around at the end of Yakoun Street.

We have people driving down to our house, 198 Bayview Drive which is located at the end of Yakoun Street. People are using our property as the turn around as there is no accommodation currently.

I am writing to request a turnabout to be developed to allow for the accommodation of vehicle traffic.

We recently put up a sign saying private driveway/private property. Wondering if in addition to the turnabout, to also put up a new sign of the "no through road" that is currently missing at the top of the hill on yakoun street.

Putting in a turnabout also has the added benefit of visibility for the trail for us and the people using it.

Thank you
Amber Bellis

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

Author: Elizabeth Cumming, Deputy CAO

Date: May 20th, 2025

RE: Installing Turn Around at the End of Yakoun Street Request

BACKGROUND:

The property owner of #198 Bayview Drive has submitted a request to Council to install a turn around at the end of Yakoun Street to accommodate traffic.

DISCUSSION:



In recent years the property owner developed their property, installing their access (driveway) at the end of Yakoun Street, with its entrance intersecting the municipal trail system. They do not have a gate on their driveway to prevent unwanted vehicle access, though they have installed signage identifying where their private property begins.

They identify that they are being disturbed as vehicles ignore their signage, driving up onto their property near their house to use the wider area to turn around in. They would like the Village to address this situation by creating a turn around at the end of Yakoun Street. They would also like "no thru road" signage to be installed at the entrance of this last segment of Yakoun Street.

In verbal discussions with staff, they identified that Tingley Street, though also a no-thru road, does not experience this issue as it has sufficient space at its end for vehicles to turn around. However, this is due to there being two private driveways at the end of Tingley Street that essentially create enough space to turn around in rather than the municipality installing a turnaround intentionally.

Public Works has identified an estimated cost of slightly under \$2000 to build a turnaround.

Council may want to consider if there is sufficient public need to develop a turnaround at the end of Yakoun Street, or if it is primarily for a private benefit. If it is felt that it is primarily a private benefit, but Council is open to considering permitting a turnaround to be created, it could permit it providing that the private property owner pay for the cost of the installation for the municipality to create it. Council could also choose to defer consideration as part of a larger discussion of developing the undeveloped road right of way of Alder Avenue, or undeveloped road right of ways in general, in strategic planning, if Council wanted to pursue such discussions.

RECOMMENDATION:

If Council is interested in constructing the requested turnaround, a resolution is needed to be made.

Respectfully submitted: Elizabeth Cumming, Deputy CAO



359 Eagle Ave
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21 May 2025

RE: Commissioning of Solar North & Associated Northern Grid Power Outages

Dear Village of Port Clements Council,

Tll Yahda Energy's Solar North solar project located at the Massett airport has been under construction for the past several years and is finally nearing completion. The current commissioning phase of the project involves testing the circuits, and connections between the panels and BC Hydro's system. It is being worked on by TYE's contractors from Hedgehog Technologies and a BC Hydro team from off-island working with our locally-based teams.

In the final stages of testing, BC Hydro will force a power outage to the north grid to conduct checks safely. Our teams will do our best to provide notice for these tests and associated outages for you to prepare. An outage schedule will be released by BC Hydro in the coming days to provide advance notice of potential outages in late May. The outages are expected to last no longer than several hours.

Tll Yahda Energy (TYE) is a partnership formed by Skidegate Band Council and Old Massett Village Council with the Council of the Haida Nation in 2021. TYE aims to support renewable energy at all scales on Haida Gwaii with the goal of reducing and eventually replacing Haida Gwaii's reliance on diesel power.

Tll yahda means *making it right*; TYE's work represents an important step in the commitment to clean and renewable energy Haida Gwaii leaders made in the 2018 Energy Declaration. Solar North is made up of 4,850 panels covering 11 acres and will displace 9% of the diesel used to power the north grid or 585,000L of diesel annually.

Haw'aa for your ongoing support for this project, and for your patience and collaboration during this final stage of commissioning.

Sincerely,

Sean Brennan

Nang Hi K'aayaas Sean Brennan
TYE Implementation Manager

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PLANNED POWER OUTAGES FOR TII Yahda Energy's SOLAR PROJECT NORTH GRID OF HAIDA GWAI



The power outage area will impact all customers on the north grid of Haida Gwaii including **Port Clements, Masset, Gaw Tlagée Old Massett and surrounding areas**. Customers should expect to experience brief (20 mins or less) outages on one or more of the following days/times:

- **Wednesday May 28, 2025 2:00pm-4:00pm**
- **Thursday, May 29, 2025 2:00pm-4:00pm**
- **Friday, May 30, 2025 2:00pm-4:00pm**

TII Yahda Energy and BC Hydro are in the final stages of completing the solar farm at Masset Airport. The testing process will require power outages on the north grid.

We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your understanding as we work together to increase renewable energy production on Haida Gwaii. All impacted BC Hydro customers will receive notification of these outages. BC Hydro will endeavor to resume power as quickly as possible.

It is recommended that customers prepare for the outages by disconnecting electronics and appliances. When power is restored, please avoid immediately turning on your heating system and electronics or appliances as this will give the electrical system a chance to stabilize.

How to Prepare:

<https://www.bchydro.com/safety-outages/power-outages/prepare-for-outages/prepare-your-home.html>

After an Outage: <https://www.bchydro.com/safety-outages/power-outages/during-an-outage.html#after>

The Solar North project aims to displace 580,000 liters of diesel per year, which is about 9% of the electricity used on the north grid.

 **BC Hydro**
Power smart

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NOTICE & INFORMATION:

WILDFIRE RESPONSE FOR WOOD POLES

PROGRAM:	Wildfire Emergency Response for Transmission and Distribution Wood Poles.
DATE:	Wildfire season 2025
PURPOSE OF WORK ACTIVITIES:	<p>During a wildfire emergency, where safe access is available, our crews attempt to prevent damage or loss of wood poles.</p> <p>Typically BC Wildfire Services (BCWS) is not able to prevent fires near high voltage power lines due to safety concerns (water bombing/spraying) or damage (retardant dropped from planes).</p> <p>Protection of BC Hydro transmission and distribution infrastructure is critical to delivering power to our customers, including First Nations, during wildfire season.</p>
LOCATION:	All of British Columbia. The Program is carried out within BC Hydro right-of-way (ROW).
WORK CONDITIONS	Under immediate threat of active wildfires where access to work sites is managed by BCWS.
WORK OVERVIEW:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Remove vegetation 10 feet around each pole to ground level. (cut vegetation to be scattered away from poles)➤ Apply fire retardant to poles up to at least 8 feet high.➤ Collection of site data and photos for reporting.➤ Access site (typical 4x4 pickup or ATV/UTV)➤ Travel will be via existing roads, lease roads, access roads and along the BC Hydro Right Of Way (ROW).
WORK PRECAUTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Environmental and Heritage risk analysis will be completed prior to work occurring and instructions provided to crews.➤ Where access is not possible due to water, rivers (safety, overly difficult), environmental, archeological restrictions, or access constraints work may not be completed.

WORK NOTIFICATIONS

If emergency response crews require access to First Nation reserve land, BC Hydro will attempt to notify the affected First Nation and seek permission to conduct the work on Reserve land prior to conducting work. BC Hydro will strive to give as much notice as possible but this notice may only be 2-3 days or less if an emergency response requires immediate action.

FIRE RETARDANT

Fire Retardant (Perimeter Solutions Phos-Chek LC95A-R) approved for use by BC Hydro, has been fully reviewed by our partner PowerTech, and it is the same product that BCWS uses throughout the province. It is fully qualified for use in Canada by the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre (CIFFC) and is one of the most established and most used long-term fire retardants in the world. It is often used by BCWS throughout BC and is typically dropped by planes in advance of wildfires.

NATURE OF GROUND DISTURBANCE:

There is no ground disturbance required for our emergency response. Vegetation is cut to ground level only.

ARCHAEOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT:

Extra care and awareness will be taken within 50m of a known archaeological site. In certain circumstances, we may not be able to access site due to impact risk reduction.

CONTACT:

For more information on these works, contact: Carolyn Stock
Carolyn.stock@bchydro.com

PHOTOS

Photo 1: Typical Vegetation Removal (Brushing)
Photo 2: Application of Fire Retardant

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Photo 1: Typical vegetation removal (brushing)



Photo 2: Vegetation Removed and Retardant Applied



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**BRITISH
COLUMBIA**

May 29, 2025

Reference: 186562

Dear Mayors and Board Chairs:

On June 30, 2025, we will pass the one-year anniversary when most local governments implemented the Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing (SSMUH) requirements. As I reflect on this historic change, I want to thank you and your staff for the hard work you have undertaken to achieve this important zoning reform. We are now starting to see a range of housing types in the planning and building stages advance across the province to deliver diverse options in what were traditionally restrictive single-family neighbourhoods.

We have been monitoring progress on implementation and are seeing many local governments championing SSMUH by speeding up or waiving unnecessary processes and requirements and creating or adopting standardized housing designs. In these communities, we are starting to see strong uptake of SSMUH.

However, monitoring has also identified ongoing barriers to building SSMUH, including inconsistency in how some local governments have applied the requirements and site-level conditions. In places, restrictive and excessive site standard requirements are adding additional costs, time, and uncertainty to SSMUH development. Areas that did not fully adopt SSMUH as intended and communities with onerous, ambiguous, or subjective form and character development permit requirements are reducing the viability of building new small-scale multi-unit housing. As a result of these barriers, it is still easier to build single-family homes in many communities, and the diversity of housing needed by people in our communities is still not being met.

I am writing today to encourage you to review your bylaws and requirements for alignment with the guidelines in the SSMUH Provincial Policy Manual and Site Standards. Specifically, please ensure you have progressive site standards for three-to-six-unit developments by allowing building heights of 3 storeys and 11 metres, aligning with the policy manual site standards packages for lot coverage.

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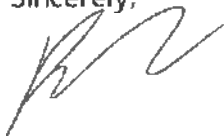
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Communities should also enable all housing configurations and types and should not use form and character development permit area requirements for small-scale multi-unit housing, as they can cause delays that interfere with the viability of projects. For three-to-four-unit projects, you should consider aligning with the recommended one parking space per unit in your parking minimums, leaving it to home builders to determine if more parking is appropriate for the location. And for those of you that have areas in your community that don't yet comprehensively allow for it, I ask that you ensure that your zoning allows SSMUH on all lots that allow single family residential, duplexes, and houses with a secondary suite and accessory dwelling unit.

People in our province need the greater diversity of housing that these changes are designed to unlock, and our government has a responsibility to act where these needs remain unmet. If all local governments do not align with the guidelines and intent of the legislation, it is my intention to continue to strengthen the legislated requirements to ensure more consistent standards are established across the province. Greater alignment with the requirements and guidelines will help encourage SSMUH development and increase the supply of the homes that people in our communities need, and moving forward in earnest now will minimize your future work to align with any forthcoming legislative changes.

I recognize that the vast majority of communities have been taking action and are seeing the benefits of their action in new housing coming forward in their communities. To those who continue to demonstrate leadership by enabling the conditions for these homes to be built, I offer my sincere appreciation for the work that you and your staff are undertaking.

Sincerely,



Ravi Kahlon
Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs

Link: Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing Provincial Policy Manual and Site Standards:
https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/housing-and-tenancy/tools-for-government/local-governments-and-housing/ssmuh_provincial_policy_manual.pdf

CC: Teri Collins, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs



June 11 2025

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Re: CT Scanner Project for Haida Gwaii

To the good folks of Port Clements

We are pleased to reach out to Village of PC to share the news that Haida Gwaii was granted approval to install a Computed Tomography (CT) scanner on the islands. By far, more than any other technology, access to local CT can improve Islanders' health and well-being by allowing for time-sensitive critical diagnoses and improve the management of a wide array of health conditions. We all know friends, family and neighbours who have presented to one of our hospitals with a serious medical issue and have had to wait hours or days to get transported to Prince Rupert for a CT. Nearly all of us will require a CT scan at some point in our life, and every year, 1 in 8 of us get a CT.

How will a CT help?

- 1. Faster diagnosis** - annually, 250 people are transferred from our emergency departments to Prince Rupert for an urgent CT scan. Patients with conditions like strokes, brain bleeding, abdominal pain and trauma experience delays while awaiting transfer. Once scanned, patients with significant findings often require another transfer to a larger hospital for time sensitive and potentially life-saving procedures. A scanner here means we can treat locally or transfer to higher level care more quickly.
- 2. Stroke care** - modern stroke care requires a CT to ensure safe use of medications that can open the blockages in circulation that cause the stroke. People who have a stroke on Haida Gwaii receive worse care and experience greater brain damage because we don't have a CT.
- 3. Reductions in unnecessary patient transfers** - about 40% of transfers can be avoided if we can rule out serious conditions locally.

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4. **Air Ambulance access improvement** - With less need for CT-related transfers, Haida Gwaii patients will experience faster transfers to the right location.
5. **Patient confidence and trust** – CT takes much of the guesswork out of making a diagnosis. Both patients and providers can focus on appropriate treatment and not stress over when a transfer will occur.
6. **Better cancer care** – CT is part of the cancer journey, from diagnosis to treatment. Most cancers require investigation with CT. Planning for biopsies and surgery requires CT for determining the extent of cancer. People with cancer can receive most of their treatments locally through Haida Gwaii Cancer Care. Many patients need CT to ensure treatments are working. A local CT means people will have their cancers diagnosed earlier and treated effectively without having to travel by ferry.
7. **Health care provider retention** – we need to be competitive in attracting and retaining health care professionals. Physicians are trained in an environment with CT availability. The new generation of physicians expect to have the right tools to work effectively on Haida Gwaii and not struggle with transfers and an incomplete picture of why their patients are sick. Many residents and physicians express to us that they would not work on Haida Gwaii because of the lack of CT.

Unfortunately, Northern Health has no dollars to install a CT on island, with estimates ranging from \$6 to \$10 million for the purchase and retrofitting of the scanner into one of our hospitals. It is up to the islands to fund raise for the CT, and it will require all our efforts to do so. With Northern Health's offer to operate a CT indefinitely, including future replacements once installed, this one-time purchase would benefit all of us now, and for future generations. We have approached the Gwaii Trust to this point, and now we are reaching out to the island communities to enlist support and advice on how we can fund this project.

Haawa to the Village of Port Clements for your attention to this matter. We are very happy to meet with the Council if this would be useful.

Yours truly,



HGH physicians

Mackenzie Moleski	Dick Raymond
Paige Williams	Caroline Shoener
Gordon Horner	John Barnhill
Tracy Morton	Patricia Jiang

NHGH physicians

Jocelyn Black	Caroline Walker
Anthony Willmot	Michel Wheatley
Nanamma Maughn	

CT examples

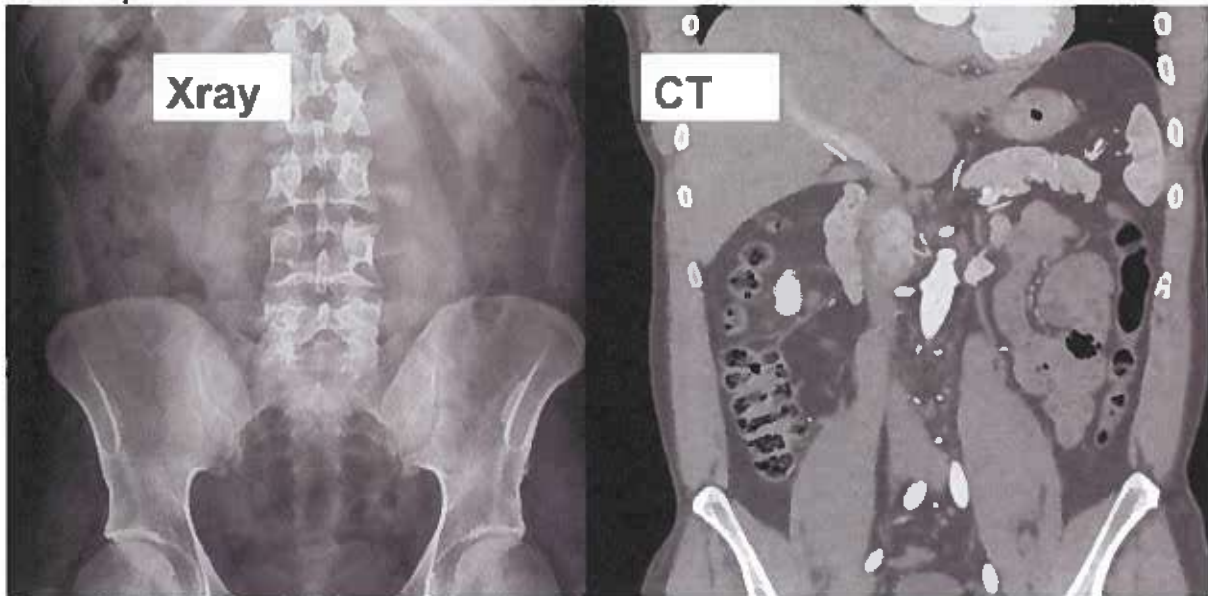


Figure 1: shows difference between regular Xrays and CT

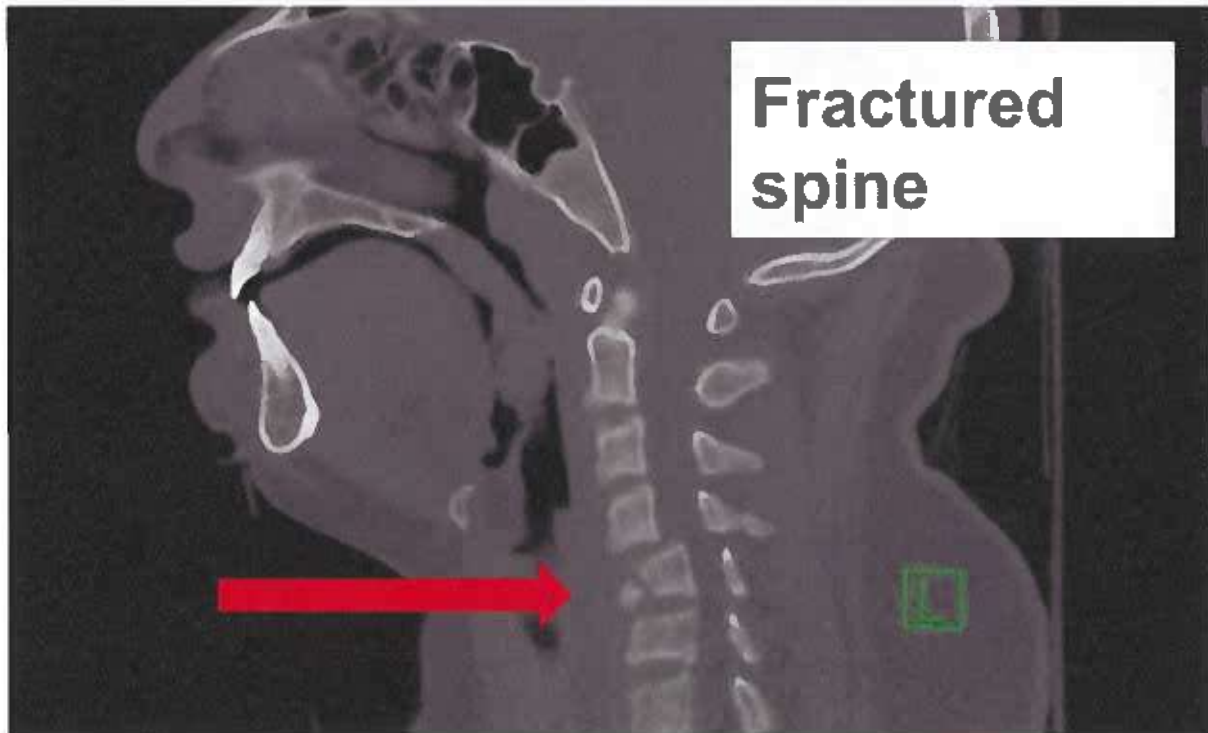


Figure 2: car accident and neck fracture. Haida Gwaii CT allows this patient to be transferred to Vancouver General for neurosurgery to stabilize, saving an unnecessary trip to Prince Rupert first

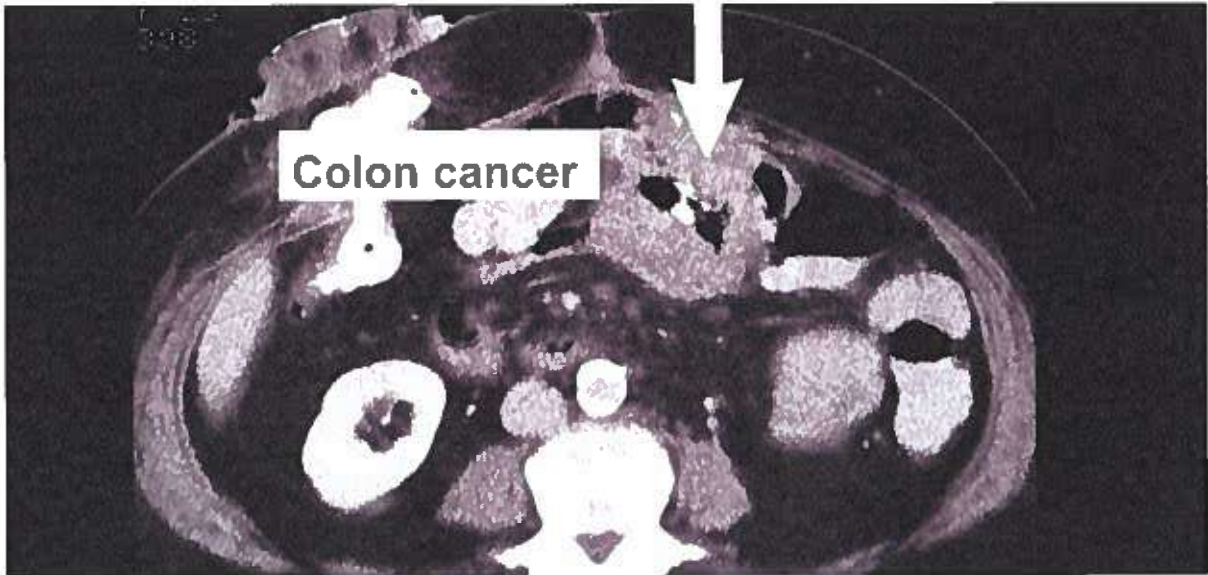


Figure 3: cancer diagnosis with CT

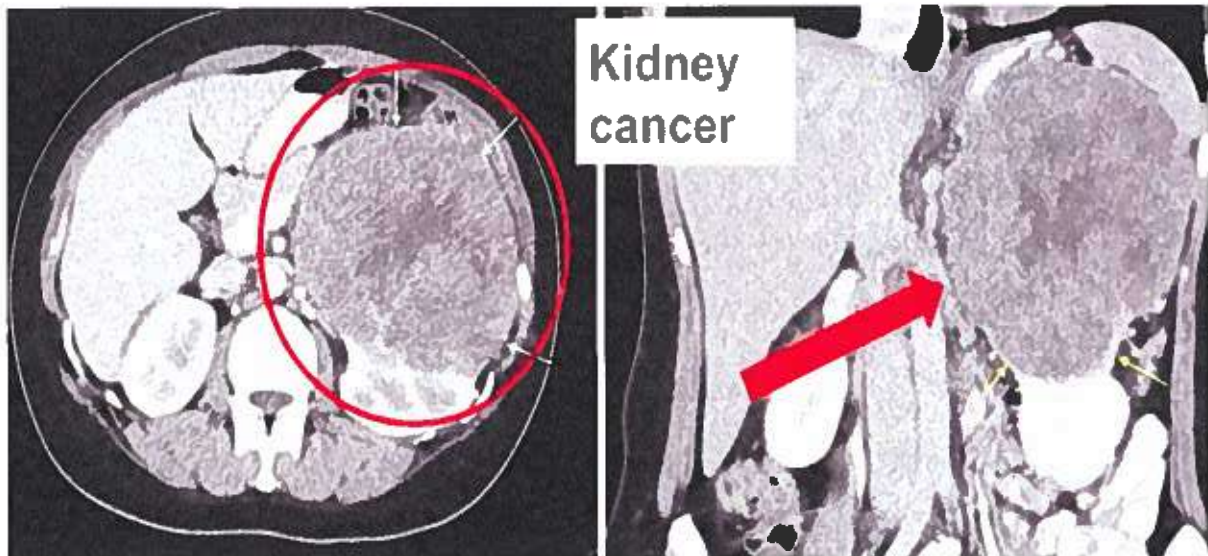


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Figure 6: CT scanner in use with a trauma patient, a critical first step in determining the extent and severity of injury.

CT examples

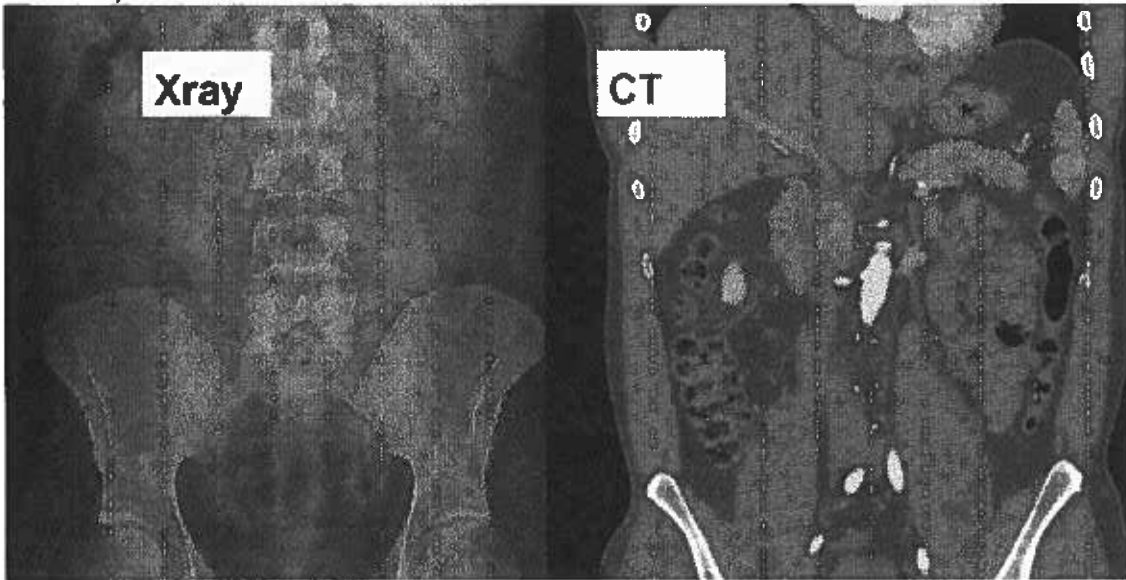


Figure 1: shows difference between regular Xrays and CT

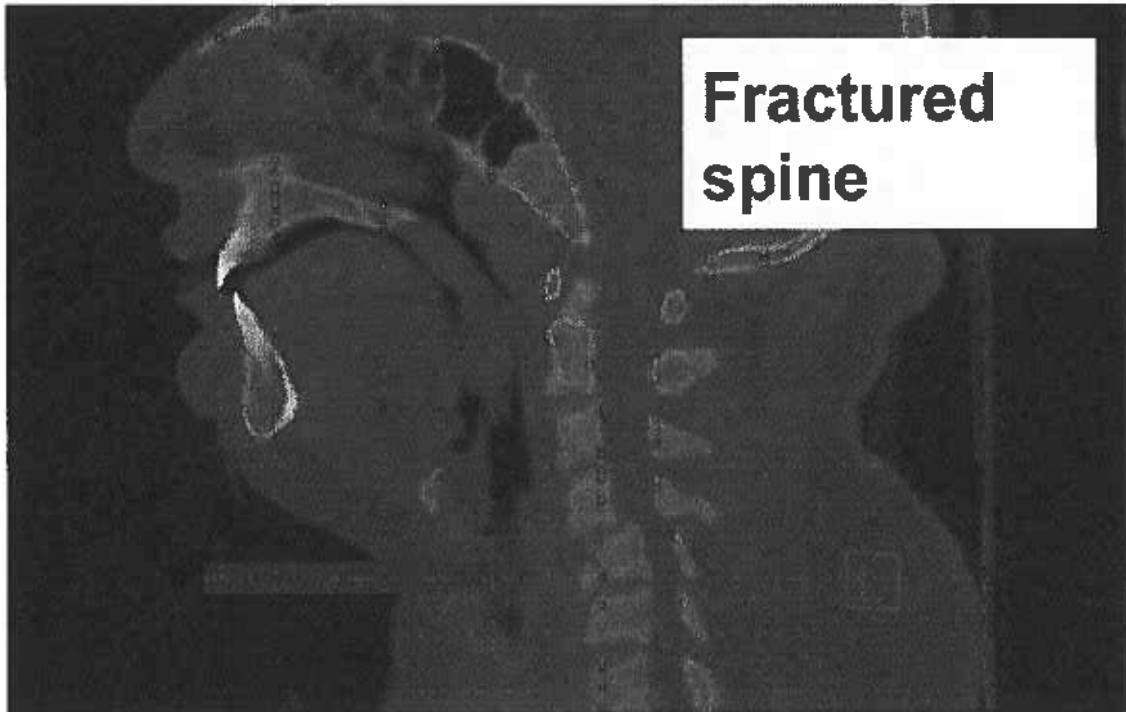


Figure 2: car accident and neck fracture. Haida Gwaii CT allows this patient to be transferred to Vancouver General for neurosurgery to stabilize, saving an unnecessary trip to Prince Rupert first

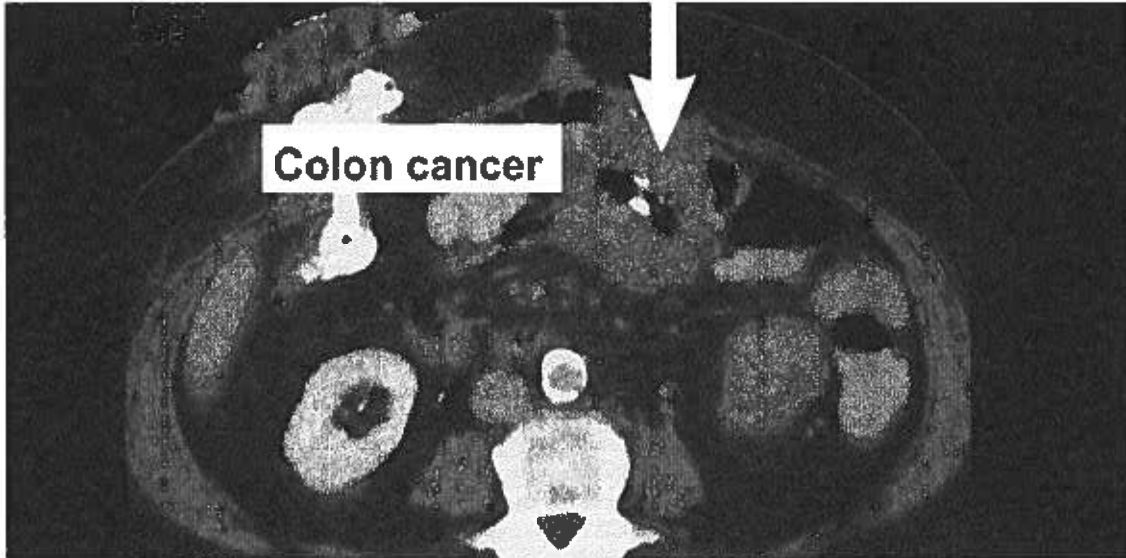


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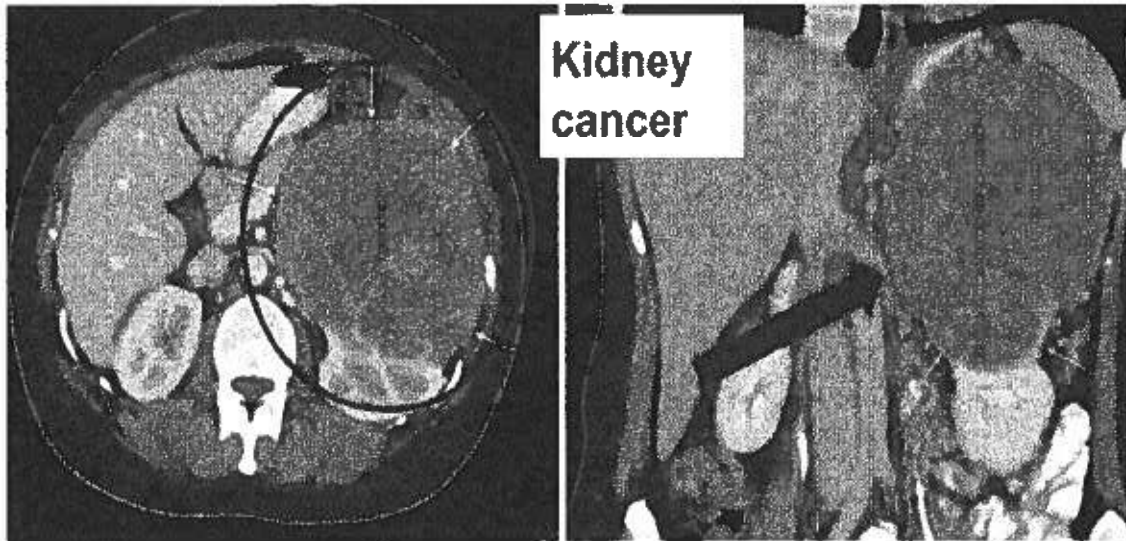


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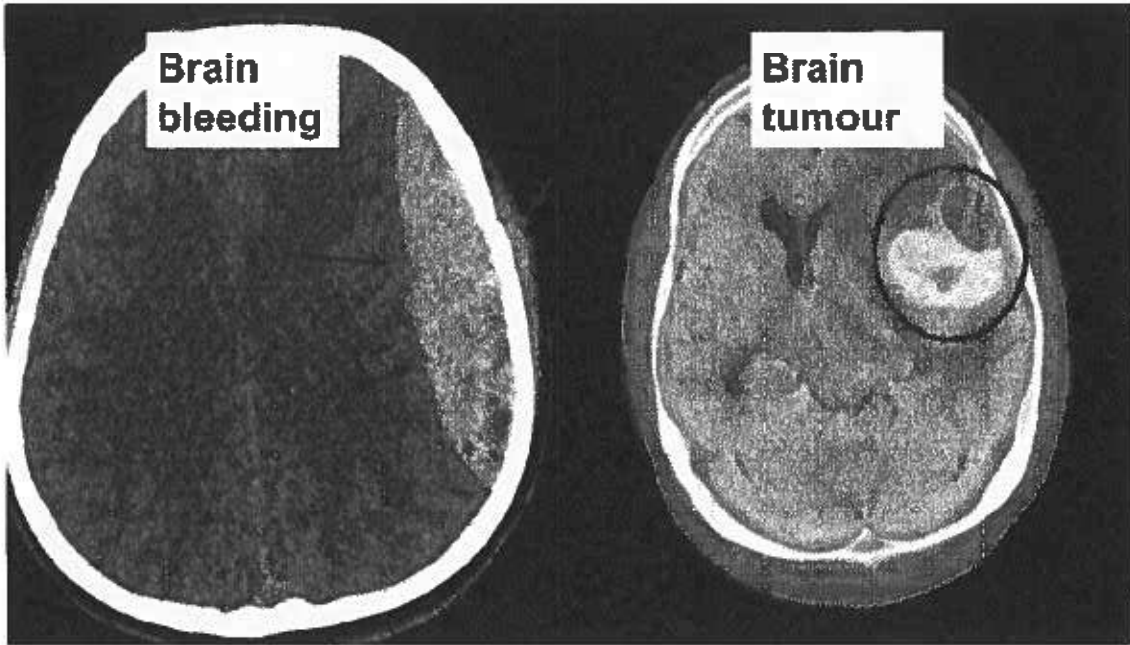


Figure 5: CT is vital to diagnosing most problems of the brain, from stroke to bleeding to cancer

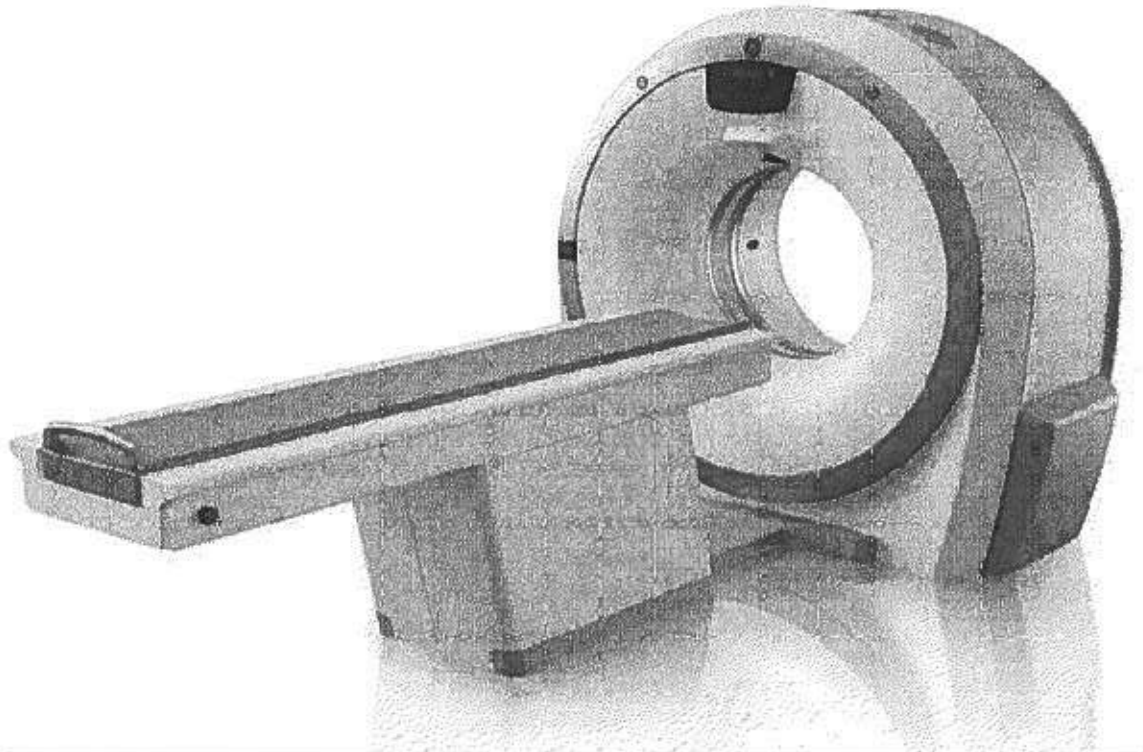




Figure 6: CT scanner in use with a trauma patient, a critical first step in determining the extent and severity of injury.

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City of Campbell River
From the Office of the Mayor

June 5, 2025,

To All Resource-Dependent Communities in British Columbia

Dear Mayors and Chairs Across British Columbia,

On behalf of the City of Campbell River Council, I am reaching out to invite your community to join a collective advocacy movement aimed at amplifying the voices of resource communities across British Columbia.

Resource communities like ours play a vital role in the economic fabric of the province of British Columbia. However, we often face unique challenges that are overlooked in broader policy discussions. By coming together, we can ensure that our collective concerns are heard and addressed at the provincial and federal levels.

Objectives:

- **Raise Awareness:** Highlight the significant contributions of resource communities to the provincial economy.
- **Advocate for Supportive Policies:** Influence policy decisions that directly impact resource-based communities.
- **Foster Collaboration:** Further strengthen partnerships between resource-based communities, so that we can work together, share best practices and strategies, and amplify results.

Key Initiatives:

1. **Targeted Communications:** We will launch a campaign to educate urban centres, policy makers, and the general public about the economic value of resource communities.
2. **Outreach:** We will continue to build a coalition of resource communities to strengthen our advocacy efforts.
3. **UBCM:** The City has submitted a UBCM resolution (attached) and is applying to host a session at the 2025 Convention.

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As leaders who have witnessed firsthand the incredible contributions and resilience of Campbell River, and resource communities across BC, we are deeply passionate about this initiative. We recognize that your community faces similar challenges and shares the same dedication and commitment to ensuring a prosperous future for all. Together, we can amplify our shared concerns, influence policy decisions, and drive change that will support the long-term growth and resilience of resource communities.

Please join us in this important initiative. Your insights and participation will be instrumental to our collective success.

Looking forward to working together for the betterment of all resource communities in British Columbia.

Sincerely,

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Kermit Dahl
Mayor

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Inclusion of Rural and Resource Communities in Provincial Economic Decision-Making

WHEREAS rural and resource-based communities continue to be a significant economic driver in both rural and urban areas across British Columbia;

AND WHEREAS communities throughout British Columbia are experiencing job losses and heightened economic challenges arising from trade uncertainties, and provincial legislation and policies that disproportionately affect resource industries such as forestry, mining, energy, and aquaculture;

AND WHEREAS these communities are integral to the provincial economy, contributing substantially to British Columbia's GDP, employment, and export revenues, while sustaining the economic vitality of urban centres through interconnected supply chains, workforce migration, and complementary industries;

AND WHEREAS current provincial decision-making processes frequently lack adequate representation and consultation with rural and resource-based communities, leading to policies that may inadvertently jeopardize the sustainability, cohesiveness and resilience of these regions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM urge the Province of British Columbia to formally recognize the critical economic contributions of rural and resource-based communities and to ensure their meaningful inclusion in the development of legislation, regulations, and economic strategies that impact resource industries by:

- Prioritizing economically viable access to resources;
- Supporting innovation within each sector to foster sustainable growth and enhance competitiveness;
- Actively engaging with each resource sector and its stakeholders to comprehensively understand their unique challenges and opportunities; and
- Take decisive action to amend policies and legislation based on the unique challenges and opportunities identified
- Removing restrictive legislation on resource sector industries.





With the transition in how the NCRD supports economic development by discontinuing economic development capacity building funding to MIEDS, there exists an opportunity to collaboratively redefine how economic development is supported not only for Haida Gwaii, but for the whole north coast region. The NCRD would greatly appreciate your input in building a path forward to ensure that any economic development support strategies developed best match the needs of all communities on Haida Gwaii.

Please let staff know your willingness to participate and availability over the coming months so that we can coordinate a joint meeting at a mutually agreeable time.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact the office of the NCRD. We look forward to working together on this initiative.

Sincerely,

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Re: Future of Economic Development Services on Haida Gwaii

Dear Mayors and Councils,

In early 2025 the North Coast Regional District (NCRD) Board sent correspondence to Haida Gwaii municipalities regarding its decision to withdraw from the Misty Isles Economic Development Society (MIEDS) and the potential for discussing the future of economic development services on Haida Gwaii and more broadly, throughout the NCRD region. While we understand that your community may already have established economic development services, the NCRD would like to further extend its invitation to all municipalities of the north coast and gauge interest for discussing the future of economic development services through a joint meeting with your respective councils.

Currently, the NCRD provides economic development services to its Electoral Areas, and in 2024 was formally approached by the District of Port Edward with a request to investigate the feasibility of a shared economic development service. Moreover, the regional district service structure has the potential to support new participants in this service. The Board is seeking to engage with all north coast municipalities to explore options for a shared economic development service into the future.



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May 30, 2025

Dear Mayors and Regional District Chairs:

The 2025 Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention will be held in Victoria from September 22–26, 2025. My Cabinet colleagues and I are looking forward to meeting and working with you so we can continue strengthening community resilience and growth, particularly in the face of unprecedented global challenges.

If you would like to request a meeting with me or one of my Cabinet colleagues, please register online at <https://ubcmreg.gov.bc.ca> (access code: [redacted]) before July 2, 2025. Given that some portfolio realignments have occurred since last year's Convention, the attached Provincial Appointment Book will assist you in identifying the lead minister for the topic(s) you wish to discuss. If you have any questions related to minister level meetings, please contact UBCM.Meetings@gov.bc.ca or phone 250-213-3856.

For staff level meetings, the Intergovernmental Relations Secretariat will email you details on how to request a meeting with a provincial ministry, agency, commission and corporation shortly.

The Convention is a valuable forum to exchange information, identify solutions and deepen relationships. With local, provincial, federal, and First Nations governments working together, we can continue to build a better BC for everyone.

I look forward to seeing many of you in September.

Sincerely,


David Eby, KC
Premier

Attachment

cc: Honourable Brittney Anderson
Minister of State for Local Governments and Rural Communities

Trish Mandewo, President
Union of BC Municipalities

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2025 PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENT BOOK FOR UBCM CONVENTION

Meeting Requests with:

**The Premier, Cabinet Ministers, and
Provincial Government Staff from Ministries,
Agencies, Commissions, and Corporations (MACC)
at the 2025 UBCM CONVENTION**

Victoria, British Columbia



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MEETING REQUEST INFORMATION AND LINKS

**Honourable David Eby, Premier
and Cabinet Ministers**
Including Ministers of State and
Parliamentary Secretaries

Click: [Premier and Cabinet Ministers Meeting Requests](#)

Invitation Code: MeetingRequest2025
(case sensitive)

Deadline: July 2, 2025 6:00 pm PST

Contact:
Marlène Behrens
Premier and Cabinet Ministers Meeting
Coordinator
250 213-3856
UBCM.Meetings@gov.bc.ca

Timeline:
Meeting regrets will be communicated
in late August, and meeting
confirmations sent in early September.

**Provincial Government MACC
Staff**
(Ministries, Agencies, Commissions,
and Corporations)

Click: [MACC Staff Meeting Requests](#)

Invitation Code: MACCStaff2025
(case sensitive)

Deadline: August 20, 2025 11:59 pm PST

Contact:
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Timeline:
Details regarding confirmed MACC Staff
meetings will be communicated to local
governments and First Nations members by
email by **September 17**.

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PROVINCIAL MINISTRIES AVAILABLE DURING THE 2025 UBCM CONVENTION

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Local Government Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall responsible for engagement with UBCM and local governments. • Serves as a key point of contact for UBCM, local governments, and rural communities. • Fosters collaborative relations with Mayors and Councils, and Regional District Chairs and Boards to maintain open lines of communication, receive feedback, and identify solutions on joint priorities. • Advises the Premier and Cabinet so the local government and rural communities' lens are considered in government decision-making processes. • Secretariat for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ UBCM Convention (Host Minister). ◦ UBCM Quarterly Executive Meetings (attends). ◦ UBCM Advocacy Days. • Hosts and/or participates in forums to facilitate the two-way sharing of information e.g.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ UBCM Area Associations. ◦ Local Government Management Association. ◦ Regional District Chairs & Chief Administrator Officers Forum. ◦ Local leadership Roundtables and virtual Town Halls.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Business Risk Management Branch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helps producers manage risks such as weather hazards, natural disasters, wildlife, diseases, pests, and market declines, that cause income losses and lead to financial instability. The branch delivers three programs to help farmers manage financial risk: Production Insurance offers insurance protection for agricultural crops against weather perils; Agri-Stability protects farm enterprises from the financial impacts of significant margin declines which can be caused by increasing input costs or reduced agricultural revenues; and Wildlife Damage Compensation - compensates farmers for losses due to wildlife.

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DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
<i>Corporate, Policy and Priorities Branch</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides corporate leadership, coordination, and analysis of policy, legislative and data issues related to the ministry's mandate. The branch guides the development of ministry policy and legislation, including managing stakeholder relationships, participating in provincial policy and legislation development, and overseeing policy and legislative projects. The branch serves as the central resource for internal and external clients on relevant, comprehensive, high-quality, and timely economic and social data on the province's farming, commercial fishing, aquaculture and food and beverage processing industries. Additionally the branch is responsible for land use planning and geospatial services.
<i>Extension and Support Services Branch</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies and promotes agriculture and food production/processing systems that are sustainable and enhance the economic benefits to the province. The branch maintains operations in all agriculture regions of the province to deliver ministry programs and services through a network of regional agrologists, technical and industry specialists. The branch works through a variety of strategic partnerships and is the primary point of contact for the ministry's agriculture clients, both businesses and associations. The branch also provides professional agricultural support to local government planning and emergency response processes, and to both the Agricultural Land Commission and the Farm Industry Review Board.
<i>Food and Beverage Branch</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leads market and business development activities for farmers, food and beverage processors and Indigenous communities as well as key initiatives such as Grow BC, Feed BC, Buy BC, and the BC Food Hub Network. The branch works in partnership across regional stakeholders, industry, public sector organizations and levels of government to enhance the agriculture and food and beverage sector's capacity, inclusivity, and competitiveness, grow provincial food system resilience, promote career opportunities, and support current and next generation entrepreneurs.
<i>Food Safety Inspection Branch</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguards public health by ensuring that agri-food, meat, and seafood produced in the province is safe and wholesome. The branch works in partnership with other federal and provincial agencies to facilitate food safety through three main program areas which are led by an Executive Director and supported by a team of administrative and policy and program advisory staff. The branch also supports food safety through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership by administering On-Farm Food Safety and Post-Farm Food Safety.
<i>Office of the Chief Veterinarian</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides provincial leadership on regulated animal and zoonotic diseases, One Health and One Welfare in B.C. The branch works to build resilient animal health systems for B.C. in collaboration with provincial ministries, the federal government, livestock industry, and veterinary professionals.

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DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
<i>Plant and Animal Health Branch</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports the sustainability of animal and plant agriculture while serving to protect the well-being of the people of British Columbia through diagnostic services, surveillance, risk assessment, and the development of strategies to address identified risks. The branch addresses plant health risks and issues that affect plant and agriculture productivity, environmental sustainability and competitiveness of agricultural crops in British Columbia. Through diagnostic services and surveillance, the branch helps protect human health with the timely and accurate diagnosis of zoonotic diseases in the public health and food safety sectors (e.g., SARS-CoV-2, influenza, Salmonella).
<i>Regenerative Agriculture and Climate Initiatives</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supports formulation of strategies, identifies opportunities, and drives the development and implementation of regenerative agriculture, innovation, climate initiatives and emergency management. This includes advancing B.C. as a leader in food security and the emerging agri-tech sector, helping companies bring innovation to agriculture and position B.C. as an agri-tech leader. Developing strategies and plans to maintain a new regenerative agricultural network, creating opportunities for farmers and greater food security by bringing together natural systems of production with agri-technologies that enhance production. Developing strategies and plans to achieve CleanBC climate action plan goals, helping farmers, ranchers and food processors prepare for climate impacts and ensure food security. Oversight of the ministry's emergency management function, including management of issues relating to avian influenza, wildfire, floods, and other natural or unexpected emergencies.

ATTORNEY GENERAL

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
<i>Court Services Branch</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responsible for case documentation and adjudication support for all matters going before the court, including case initiation and processing, fee collection, file and exhibit management, court clerking, court records and transcripts, interpreter services, and the preparation and dissemination of court orders. In addition, the Court Services Branch is responsible for courtroom and courthouse security, prisoner custody and escort, document service, and jury administration.

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DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
<p><i>Indigenous Justice Secretariat</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leads the implementation of the First Nations Justice Strategy (“the Strategy”) within government, including influencing social sector areas that provide health and housing supports for individuals in the justice system. At the core of the Strategy is the rebuilding of First Nations justice systems as an expression of self-determination. As such, the Indigenous Justice Secretariat has a vital role in supporting First Nations in that rebuilding work. This includes the Secretariat advancing changes within government to laws, policies, and practices that are directly responsive to what First Nations determine is needed for Strategy implementation and rebuilding of their justice systems. The Indigenous Justice Secretariat is responsible for cross-ministry implementation of the Strategy and operationalization of the identified priorities within provincial government. This includes the implementation of the <i>Declaration Act</i> where it intersects with justice, as well as supporting relationships between First Nations, the province, and Canada to advance jointly identified priorities, funding, and partnership opportunities where the Strategy aligns with provincial and federal mandates. The Indigenous Justice Secretariat is also responsible for working with Métis Nation BC on the cross-ministry implementation of the Métis Justice Strategy, managing the Native Courtworker and Counselling Association contract, and working with Canada to support the development of the Federal Indigenous Justice Strategy.
<p><i>Justice Services Branch</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improves users' access to justice and experience with the administration of justice in B.C. by transforming elements of the justice system. The Justice Services Branch delivers programs and services relating to family justice, and access to justice. The branch also develops policy and legislation and supports tribunals, agencies, and independent offices within the ministry, and leads strategic projects to create change and systemic impact on the justice sector.
<p><i>Multiculturalism and Anti-Racism Branch</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Multiculturalism and Anti-Racism Branch is responsible for cross government implementation of the <i>Anti-Racism Act</i>. This includes working across ministries to respond to data trends identified through the <i>Anti-Racism Data Act</i> and take action on systemic racism within policies, program and services. Engage communities through the Resilience BC Anti-Racism Network, multiculturalism grants, and related initiatives, to provide them with the information, supports, and training needed to respond to and prevent future incidents of racism. Support victims of hate incidents in B.C. by operating the Racist Incident Helpline to report, track and provide resources to individuals harmed by racist incidents. Continue to address historical wrongs with Sons of Freedom Doukhobor community and ongoing work with the National Association of Japanese Canadians.

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MINISTRY OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Strategic Services Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Strategic Services Division provides expertise to enable large-scale, cross-ministry, and complex system transformation as envisioned in the ministry's Strategic Framework. The division leads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project management — supports strategic initiatives and continuous improvement through tracking, assessing and making recommendations on project risks, mitigation strategies and resource deployment. Change management — champions organizational change and effective implementation of significant change initiatives with staff and external partners and service providers. Transformation integration — oversees alignment and integration of priority transformation projects to support the roll-out of system wide changes in a coordinated way and to ensure operational needs are met. Strategic planning and communications – directs, coordinates, and manages planning, reporting, internal, external, and web-based communications and engagement.
Service Delivery Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service Delivery Division provides Network of care across the province focused on children and youth with support needs, child and youth mental health, adoption, family support, child protection, youth justice and helping youth transition from government care to adulthood. Services, including 24/7 emergency response, are delivered through 169 community-based District Offices, Provincial Centralized Services Centre, Maples Adolescent Treatment Centre, Child & Youth Mental Health Intake Clinics, Victory Hill Dorm, Burnaby Youth Custody Centre, Inpatient Assessment Unit, Youth Forensic Services, and Family Connections Centres.
Policy, Legislation and Litigation Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead strategic and operational policy, legislation and service design for programs and services, including adoption, children with support needs and mental health concerns, community resources for children and youth in or transitioning from government care, child welfare, and support for youth involved in the justice system's practices.
Division / Early Years and Inclusion Policy, Communications and Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Early Years and Children and Youth with Support Needs (CYSN) Policy branch provides development and oversight of strategic and operational policy for early childhood development programs and services for CYSN. The team incorporates a cross-government approach for programs and services for children and families and is currently working to co-develop an improved system of services for CYSN. Policy staff also research and develop innovative approaches for citizen engagement and program delivery.

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MINISTRY OF CITIZENS' SERVICES

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internet and cellular connectivity: The division provides guidance on planning for broadband internet to communities and highway and community cellular coverage to municipal and regional governments and oversees the Connecting British Columbia and the Connecting Communities BC funding programs.
Government Digital Experience (GDX)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GDX provides the technical infrastructure that enables gov.bc.ca, and manages high priority web content. GDX is responsible for government's web training, standards and digital accessibility and supports plain language, easy to navigate and access information.
Office of Chief Information Officer (OCIO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The OCIO supports the transformation of government services through integration, collaboration, and innovation. It leads strategy, policy, and standards that support digital government and information management including information technology (IT), IT security, integrated data, privacy, and the management of the Information Management/IT investment portfolio for the province. It provides corporate information management services to government including Freedom of Information; proactive disclosures of information; privacy, records management, and elements of information security. Through the BC Data Service, the OCIO delivers trusted data services and analysis, including population projections, community economic resilience indicators and service-level equity research. It is responsible for the implementation of the <i>Anti Racism Data Act</i> and the BC Data Plan. Through the CyberBC program, the OCIO provides broader B.C. public sector organizations with resources to help improve cybersecurity. Specifically, it covers the foundations of cybersecurity including security frameworks, policy, standards, assessments of threats and weaknesses, and minimization of risks.
Procurement and Supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The division plays a leadership role in government procurement and supply services. These activities serve the provincial government, the broader public sector, the public and, in some cases, municipalities. For example, municipalities use BC Bid to provide vendors with information on upcoming procurement operations and Asset Investment Recovery to dispose of municipal surplus assets in a convenient, environmentally friendly manner that returns a fair market value to the municipality.
Real Property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Real Property Division (RPD) provides everything needed to design, set up and manage a government workplace. RPD has responsibility for the province's real estate portfolio. Real estate for schools, post-secondary institutions, hospitals, and municipalities are excluded from RPD's responsibilities.

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DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Service BC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through a provincial network of 65 service centres and the Service BC (SBC) Provincial Contact Centre through multiple service channels including mobile outreach, digital and web based information. SBC provides approximately 300 government services on behalf of more than 40 partner ministries and agencies. • The division enables the design and delivery of accessible, responsive, and cost-effective services, making it easier for residents and businesses to interact with government. • The BC Registries and Digital Services Branch facilitates and supports commerce in the province through administration and verification of business, personal property, and manufactured home registrations.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Child Care Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Child Care Division leads the development and implementation of ChildCareBC. The ChildCareBC plan was launched in 2018 and is government's 10-year strategy to build access to affordable, quality, inclusive child care as a core service that families can rely on. • Key programs delivered through the Child Care Division include those providing operational funding for child care providers, cost-saving fee reductions and/or subsidy benefits for parents, capital grant programs for expanding and maintaining child care spaces, education and professional development supports for the child care workforce, and supports for community-based programs such as Child Care Resource and Referral Centres and Young Parent Program. • In addition, the division supports programs that help families and children access and participate in fully inclusive child care settings, as well as funding and supporting the development and expansion of distinctions-based Indigenous-led child care. • The ministry, through the Child Care Division, oversees the Early Childhood Educator Registry, which issues provincial certifications, accesses and recommends approval for Early Childhood Educator (ECE) post-secondary programs, and investigates complaints regarding ECE and Early Childhood Educator Assistant (ECEA) conduct and competence. • The division oversees the child care budget of \$865.255M for FY 24/25. The division also invests federal funding from the Early Learning and Child Care and Agreements.

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MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE CONTINUED...

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
<p><i>Learning and Education Programs Division</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Learning and Education Programs Division (LEPD) is responsible for: defining what children learn and when (curriculum); whether they have learned it (assessment, reporting and graduation requirements); and the extent to which what they learn equips them for the job market and/or post-secondary education (student transitions). LEPD is made up of two branches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Student Learning Branch manages all activities related to curriculum design and development, large-scale assessment design, delivery, marking and results-reporting, policies for providing feedback on student progress to parents and students, French education, and engagement with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Annual assessments include the Foundation Skills Assessment for grades 4 and 7, and Literacy and Numeracy Graduation Assessments. • The Education Programs and Policy Branch is responsible for policy, programs, and standards related to inclusive education, graduation, career development, and student transitions to the post-secondary system and employment. The branch is also responsible for the ministry's scholarships program.
<p><i>Resource Management Division</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Resource Management Division (RMD) provides operational and planning support for school districts and monitors the financial accountability of boards of education against ministry and government policy. The division also provides a wide range of corporate functions for the ministry, including budgeting and financial support services, strategic human resources, workplace and facilities support, and risk management and emergency preparedness.
<p><i>System Liaison and Supports Division</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The System Liaison and Supports Division (SLSD) provides leadership and support to school districts and independent schools in the areas of Early Learning, Indigenous Education, Mental Health and Substance Use, School Food Programs, Strategic Priorities (e.g., anti-racism, SOGI), and Student Safety and Wellness. The division is responsible for promoting safe, caring and inclusive school environments with a focus on equity.

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MINISTRY OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CLIMATE READINESS

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Corporate Services Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for the provision of strategic advice and the delivery of corporate services to support ministry programs and services. • Manages the Disaster Financial Assistance Arrangements (DFAA) claim administration and provincial cost tracking. • Responsible for public education initiatives including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ The delivery of PreparedBC, the province's preparedness public education program serving First Nations communities, local authorities and the public. ◦ The development of resources, programs, and social media campaigns aimed at influencing positive disaster risk reductions.
Disaster Recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leads coordination of provincial ministry and agency supports for communities following a disaster with regionally-based teams. • Implements the Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) program, and when DFA is not available, seeks alternative government and non-government funding opportunities to assist impacted parties. • Administers DFA appeals process. • Responsible for disaster recovery operational policy including national flood insurance program development, cross government disaster recovery framework, and recovery specialists who are ready to deploy to assist communities when a disaster strikes.
Disaster Risk Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leads emergency management and provincial business continuity management planning. • Conducts emergency management training and exercises. • Undertakes strategic after actions reviews of disaster events, undertaking provincial and regional disaster and climate risk assessments. • Administers funding programs for First Nations and local governments to advance disaster risk reduction through planning and mitigation activities. • Advances policy, programs, and strategies to reduce disaster and climate risks.
Partnerships, Engagement and Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivers ministry's strategic policy and legislation. This work includes providing guidance on the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness's (EMCR) modernized legislation, the <i>Emergency and Disaster Management Act</i> (EDMA), and the development of new regulations, such as the Local Authorities Regulation and Compensation and Disaster Financial Assistance Regulation. • Leads the development and implementation of EMCR's inter-agency and inter-governmental partnerships. • Leads EMCR's emergency management partnership agreements with the federal government, local governments, First Nations, emergency management partner agencies, critical infrastructure operators, non-governmental, faith-based, and other emergency management partners and agencies.

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MINISTRY OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CLIMATE READINESS CONTINUED...

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Regional Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leads and coordinates the preparedness and response to provincial and regional-level emergencies and disasters, supporting other authorities within their areas of jurisdiction by working directly with First Nations, local authorities, provincial ministries and agencies, federal departments, other jurisdictions, industry, and volunteers. Leads and coordinates 24/7 emergency management capability through six regional offices located in Surrey, Kamloops, Nelson, Prince George, and Terrace, with the Vancouver Island Regional Office co-located at the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness (EMCR) Headquarters (HQ) in Victoria. In addition, EMCR HQ houses the Emergency Coordination Centre and Provincial Duty Managers providing 24/7 situational awareness, activation of response to emergencies, including broadcast intrusive alerting. Coordinates B.C.'s Public Safety Lifeline Volunteer groups, who provide an array of critical, front-line emergency services, including Ground Search and Rescue, Air Search and Rescue, Road Rescue, Emergency Support Services, and Emergency Radio Communications.

MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND CLIMATE SOLUTIONS

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
Energy Resources Division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accountable for the management and responsible development of the province's energy resources. The division oversees the <i>Petroleum and Natural Gas Act</i>, the <i>Geothermal Resources Act</i>, the <i>Energy Resource Activities Act</i> and related regulations. Issues and administers Crown petroleum, natural gas, geothermal and carbon capture related subsurface tenures; oversees tenure development and resources access planning; collects tenure-related revenues; and maintains geological databases and systems. Primary point of contact for many key pieces of energy infrastructure that play critical roles in providing energy security for British Columbians. The division includes the Trans Mountain Office and works regularly with Enbridge which operates the primary natural gas pipeline in the province. Oversees the province's royalty system (with the Ministry of Finance) including implementation of the New Royalty Framework, and the Healing the Land and Emissions Reduction program.

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MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND CLIMATE SOLUTIONS CONTINUED...

DIVISION/BRANCH	TOPIC
<p><i>Energy Resources Division Continued...</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develops policy, statutes and regulations that apply to the energy resource sector and supports achieving greenhouse gas reduction targets as it relates to the sector, including methane emissions targets. • Collaborates across government on Indigenous reconciliation initiatives and environmental monitoring and research programs, conducts oil and gas resource assessments, manages resource development planning and cumulative effects, guides modernized land use planning, develops environmental practices, and initiates and administers oil and natural gas restoration programs. • The division includes the Clean Energy and Major Projects Office (CEMPO) which is supporting the 10 successful renewable electricity projects from BC Hydro's 2025 call for power, and is responsible for the effective implementation of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Canada, Ksi Lisims LNG, Cedar LNG, Woodfibre, and the associated pipelines. CEMPO also works across government to support clean energy projects, such as hydrogen, biofuels, and renewable natural gas.
<p><i>Electricity and Utility Regulation Division</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for British Columbia's electricity and alternative energy sectors, including BC Hydro. These sectors are made up of diverse interests that develop electricity generation, transmission, and distribution infrastructure, clean or renewable energy sources, including biomass, biogas, hydrogen, geothermal, hydro, solar, ocean, and wind. The division took a lead role in the development of Powering Our Future: B.C.'s Clean Energy Strategy. • Focuses on increasing electrification, and deployment of low carbon energy by supporting BC Hydro's 2025 call for power. • Responsible for policies, programs, regulations and legislation to support the province's legislated short and long-term greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction targets, including: the <i>Climate Change Accountability Act</i>, the <i>Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Clean Energy) Regulation</i>, the <i>Utilities Commission Act</i>, and the <i>Clean Energy Act</i>. • Supports the Minister's oversight of BC Hydro and is responsible for public utility regulatory policy under the <i>Utilities Commission Act</i>. The division leads provincial collaboration with the British Columbia Utilities Commission to reframe the Commission's current role as an economic regulator to align with the province's climate action, energy and affordability objectives, especially for low-income households. • Implements policies and legislation to support BC Utilities Commission oversight of B.C.'s regulated energy utilities, including BC Hydro, FortisBC, and Pacific Northern Gas, in their delivery of conventional and low-carbon clean energy across the province. • Administers the Innovative Clean Energy (ICE) Fund, a special account used to further the energy and environmental priorities of the government. • Responsible for co-leading the Indigenous Clean Energy Opportunities (ICEO) process with the First Nations Energy and Mining Council, which engages with First Nations rights holders and organizations in a collaborative dialogue to fully participate in current and future clean energy opportunities and to align the province's strategic clean energy policy and legislation with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP).

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