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Driver Training – Take the Wheel bursary is being established to help cover costs associated with driver training for youth in foster care and those who have aged out. MSC clipped. – (CHNL Sun)

Liquor Licensees – New, optional program has been launched to better educate liquor licensees on their responsibilities and the rules of serving. PS Yap clipped – (CHNL Sun)

Airport Improvements – Over \$10M will be given to airports across the province for infrastructure improvements. MTS clipped – (CHNL Sun)

Pacific Autism Family Network – MSB was among dignitaries attending the opening of the resource centre in Prince George on Saturday – (Global, Sun)

Flood Prevention - \$80M investment from the province for emergency preparedness and public safety is being seen in Cache Creek, with \$150K being given to the village. MLA Tegard clipped (CHNL Sat)

Brain Injury Funding – A \$3M investment was announced for the Brain Injury Association. MTS clipped (CHNL Fri); MTL clipped (CFJC Fri)

Sonography – MMM announces \$2.5M in funding for the creation of a new medical sonography program at CNC (CKPG Fri)

CNC – MJR announces College of New Caledonia will be expanding with a new Nechako Vanderhoof campus (CKPG Fri)

New school – MST joined a groundbreaking ceremony at the site of a new middle school in Kelowna's Upper Mission neighbourhood (CHBC Fri)

Trans Canada – MTS unveiled next phase of upgrades for the Trans Canada Highway – a project that will see Hwy 1 four laned from Chase through Jade Mountain (CFJC Fri)

Ongoing / Emerging / Potential Issues

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Other Issues

Resource Development / Forestry / Agriculture:

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Events, Speeches & Releases

Mon Apr 3	Lead	Activity/Details	RLS	CC ID#
Apr 3-4 TBC NEW	JTST	News release only, provincewide - 2017 SkillsBC Provincial Competition: Release promoting the provincial competition on April 5 at Tradex in Abbotsford. Approx. 2,000 middle and high school students from regional competitions will compete in their respective trades or tech categories Jobs Plan, #BCTECH, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST- 79995
Time TBD NEW	AVED	News release only, provincewide - Funding to establish a scholarship for women studying careers in tech: Funding to the Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society to establish a scholarship to support women studying careers that lead to the B.C. tech sector Jobs Plan, #BCTECH, Skills	BCGov NR	AVED- 79906
8:00 am	MTICS	News release only, regional - Connecting British Columbia Grant Funding for Sunshine Coast to expand or enhance Internet access #BCTECH, Rural	Joint NR	MTICS- 79084
8:30 am	MTICS	News release only, regional - Connecting British Columbia Grant Funding for Kootenay Lake to expand or enhance Internet access #BCTECH, Rural	Joint NR	MTICS- 79088
8:45 am	CFD	Vancouver - PS Thornthwaite speaks at the Healthy Minds, Healthy Campuses Summit: Summit brings together the K-12 sector to learn from our progress in mental health and wellbeing in post-secondary	-	CFD- 79932
9:00 am	MTICS	News release only, regional - Connecting British Columbia Grant Funding for Lake Kathlyn and New Hazelton to expand or enhance Internet access #BCTECH, Rural	Joint NR	MTICS- 79119
10:00 am	HLTH	Kamloops - Minister Lake opens new primary care space for seniors in Kamloops: Kamloops complex care space for seniors opening on at Northhills Mall. Follow up from October 2016 announcement	BCGov NR 10:15 am	HLTH- 77998
10:00 am	AVED	Quesnel - Minister Oakes, on behalf of Minister Wilkinson, announces funding for facilities at CNC Quesnel: CNC Quesnel requires a new boiler and expansion of facilities to accommodate new safety regulations and to ensure students receive state-of-the-art equipment and facilities. EVENT LEAD: Emily Young Jobs Plan	BCGov NR 10:10 am	AVED- 79857
10:00 am	CSCD	News release only, provincewide - Winter 2017 Hosting BC Grant Program Wrap-up: viaSport has selected the hosting grant recipients for winter 2017	BCGov NR	CSCD- 79912
10:00 am	FIN	Abbotsford - MLAs de Jong and MLAs Plecas and Gibson, on behalf of Lake , announce funding. EVENT LEAD: Michelle May	BCGov NR 10:20 am	FIN-79966
10:30 am	HLTH	Information Bulletin only, provincewide - College of Diagnostic & Therapeutic Health Professions being established: Release announcing a new college of diagnostic and therapeutic health professions is being established after amendments have been made to regulations to designate four professions as self-regulating	BCGov IB	HLTH- 79507
10:45 am NEW	FLNR	Information bulletin only, regional - Southeast Fire Centre ecosystem restoration burn in Twobits Creek	BCGov IB	FLNR- 79997
11:00 am	HQ	Vancouver - Hold for announcement EVENT LEAD: Tim Wong	BCGov NR 11:15 am	HQ-79930
11:30 am	ARR	McLeod Lake - Minister Rustad and MLA Morris announce conclusion of Government-to-Government agreement with McLeod Lake First Nation Aboriginal, Rural	Joint NR 11:45 am	ARR- 77383
11:30 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - Contracts have been awarded for a number of highway rehab and resurfacing projects in the Peace district	BCGov NR	TRAN- 79927
12:00 pm	TRAN	News release only, regional - New bridge coming to 8th Street in Dawson Creek	BCGov NR	TRAN- 79913
12:00 pm TBC NEW	HLTH	News release only, provincewide - Hold for HLTH Release	BCGov NR	HLTH- 79983
12:30 pm	FIN	Coquitlam - Minister de Jong presents Budget 2017 at Tri-Cities Chamber of Commerce Budget	-	FIN-79933

In the News

Mon Apr 3	Source	In the News & Issues Summary	Category	Rls
Time TBD NEW	TRAN-79994	Employee Mental Wellness Survey Results Released to Staff: ICBC and MoveUP, the union representing ICBC employees, have conducted a joint survey of employees' perceptions and experience regarding workplace mental wellness. Results of the survey will be released to employees on Monday will be used to help ICBC continue to improve its employee wellness programs, and will also contribute to a national baseline assessment of the mental health of Canadian workers	Issue	-
Time TBD CHANGED	MNGD-79943	BC Oil and Gas Commission: Permit for Vancouver Airport Fuel Delivery Project: The Project includes a marine terminal and fuel receiving facility located on the north shore of the south arm of the Fraser River, and an underground pipeline system to the storage facility located on airport lands	Issue	-
Today	EMBC-79858	United States Geological Survey Public Announcement on Integrated ShakeAlert NorthWest Early Warning System: This involves the integration of California's EEWs with Oregon and Washington's EEWs marking next steps in developing a comprehensive system for the west coast of the U.S. System is not going live to the public but the USGS will be looking to implement pilot projects with various stakeholders to further develop the system	FYI	-
8:15 am	HLTH-79978	Northern Release - Updated Connections Bus Schedule: Northern Health is expanding the NH Connections healthcare service to benefit patients in northeast B.C. Starting April 4th, NH Connections service will increase from three, to five days a week service, Monday to Friday	FYI	3rd party NR
10:00 am	PSSG-76571	Crime Stoppers Event in Vancouver: Crime Stoppers event highlighting Cash for Tips on Illegal Firearms and promotion of the Gang Tip Line	FYI	3rd party NR
10:00 am	HLTH-79785	Island Health Release - Community Wellness Grant Recipients: Island Health has awarded 50 Community Wellness Grants to organizations across Vancouver Island. The Community Wellness Granting Program provides opportunities to create local partnerships to address the health and wellness of the population	FYI	3rd party NR
10:00 am	TRAN-79959	ICBC requesting expressions of interest for new affinity plates: Release announcing new licence plates to support charity and not-for-profit organizations. Requests for Expressions of Interest from interested organizations	FYI	3rd party NR
3:00 pm	AVEO-75816	Camosun College Board Meeting	FYI	-
4:00 pm	TRAN-77654	Highway 97 Quesnel Corridor Study Open House - Kelowna: Upcoming open house in Quesnel to seek public input on the preliminary results coming out of the study	FYI	-
5:00 pm	EDUC-77818	Revelstoke - Rural Education Engagement Open House: Ministry of Education staff will host public open house to get feedback from citizens and stakeholders	FYI	-
Apr 3-4	SBRT-79543	Alliance of Beverage Licensees/BC Hotel Association Summit: ABLE BC and the BCHA hold their 2nd annual summit, a two-day conference and marketplace for BC's hoteliers and private liquor industry professionals. This year, the summit will host the first annual hospitality awards for Hotelier of the Year, Liquor Retailer of the Year, Publican of the Year	FYI	-
2:00 pm	SDSI	News release only, regional - Women in Trucking Program Funding: Release announcing funding for a Project-Based Labour Market Training program that gives 16-24 unemployed women paid training and work experience as Class 1 truck drivers in the Lower Mainland Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR	SDSI-79800
2:30 pm	MEM	Fort St. John- Minister Bernier, on behalf of Minister Bennett, attends Tour and Groundbreaking for Turbines and Generators Manufacturing Facility: This marks the start of construction of the on-site manufacturing facility at which the project's six turbines and generators will be built BuildingBC	3rd party NR	MEM-79210
2:30 pm CHANGED	SDSI	News You Can Use only, provincewide - EPBC 5 Year Anniversary: Release marking the five-year anniversary of the Employment Program of British Columbia Accessibility, Jobs Plan, Rural, Skills	BCGov NYCU	SDSI-79776
7:35 pm	FIN	Vancouver - Minister de Jong announces partnership with Vancouver Board of Trade to permanently increase B.C.'s export capacity, specifically within B.C.'s small and mid-sized businesses. Release to follow Tuesday morning Budget	-	FIN-79936

Talk Radio Calendar

NEW Monday, April 3

Roundhouse Radio – Our City with Kirk Lapointe – TBC (will air sometime between 6pm-9pm)

Guest: Social Development and Social Innovation Minister Michelle Stilwell

Topic: \$24M in new supports for low-income British Columbians

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Roundhouse Radio – Our City with Kirk Lapointe – TBC (will air sometime between 6pm-9pm)

Guest: PS John Yap

Topic: New liquor licensee education program

Thursday, April 6

Voice of BC – 7:00pm

Guest: Advanced Education Minister and MLA for Vancouver-Quilchena Andrew Wilkinson

Topic: BC Liberal Politics

Emerging Issues / Media Inquiries

CBC Vancouver - Liam Britten

ISSUE: News release volume

STATUS: Provided Background

Radio Canada - Nahila Bendali; Fairchild TV; CBC TV – Jon Hernandez; CP – Dirk Meissner

ISSUE: OAG meeting

STATUS: Provided Statement

Vancouver Sun – Rob Shaw

ISSUE: Budget 2017 on YouTube

STATUS: Provided Background

Vancouver Sun - Rob Shaw

ISSUE: \$10 a day childcare

STATUS: With GCPE

CTV News - Maria Weisgarber -

ISSUE: Follow-up on 19-year old aging out of coverage

STATUS: Provided Background

Roundhouse Radio 98.3 FM

ISSUE: Transit Funding

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Bob Mackin - Freelancer

ISSUE: Broadway subway and Surrey LRT

STATUS: Provided Background

Vancouver Sun - Tracy Sherlock

ISSUE: Funding allocations for agreement

STATUS: Provided Background

CBC Vancouver - Gloria Macarenko

ISSUE: Mining in B.C.

STATUS: With Minister's Office

CHNL Radio (Kamloops) AM 610

ISSUE: Kamloops Exploration Group conference and mining in B.C.

STATUS: With GCPE

Kamloops This Week

ISSUE: Ajax

STATUS: EAO responded

New York Times - Dan Levin

ISSUE: International Business Activity program

STATUS: With GCPE

CFOX 1070

ISSUE: DBRS ratings report

STATUS: Provided Background

Keith Baldrey - Global TV | BC

ISSUE: End of year spending

STATUS: Provided Background

Vancouver Sun - Douglas Todd

ISSUE: Capital gains tax - housing

STATUS: Provided Background

Province - Sam Cooper

ISSUE: Housing affordability

STATUS: Provided Statement

Business in Vancouver - Nelson Bennett

ISSUE: Fish farm data map

STATUS: With GCPE

The Tyee - Andrew MacLeod

ISSUE: Forest Practices Board report - East Creek

STATUS: With GCPE

Nelson Star

ISSUE: Logging Applications

STATUS: With GCPE

Summit 107 FM

ISSUE: Off-road vehicle fees

STATUS: With GCPE

Williams Lake Tribune

ISSUE: Regulation changes for rural firefighters in the WSA

STATUS: Provided Background

Globe and Mail - Wendy Stueck
ISSUE: Grizzly hunt opening
STATUS: Provided Background

CHNL Radio (Kamloops) AM 610
ISSUE: Flood Forecast
STATUS: River Forecast Centre responded

Vancouver Sun - Vaughn Palmer -
ISSUE: Softwood lumber
STATUS: Provided Background

Global TV - Neetu Garcha; Vancouver Sun- Larry Pynn; Globe & Mail – Justine Hunter
ISSUE: Grizzly Hunt
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

Globe and Mail - Kathy Tomlinson -
ISSUE: Doctor Billings
STATUS: With GCPE

Reuters
ISSUE: Mental Health Admissions and Stats
STATUS: With GCPE

Vancouver Sun - Ian Mulgrew
ISSUE: Cambie Case - application for adjournment
STATUS: Provided Statement

CTV News - Maria Weisgarber -
ISSUE: Follow-up on 19-year old aging out of coverage
STATUS: MTL interviewed
CTV Vancouver Island - Yvonne Raymond
ISSUE: Demand for hospital in Sooke
STATUS: Provided Background

Global TV - Shelby Thom
ISSUE: Osoyoos Doctor shortage
STATUS: Provided Background

Times Colonist - Katie DeRosa
ISSUE: WorkSafeBC / Surplus Contributions
STATUS: Provided Statement

Times Colonist - Jeff Bell
ISSUE: Cook Street Renoviction
STATUS: With GCPE

CBC Vancouver - Jane Armstrong
ISSUE: Building Standards
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Province - Sam Cooper
ISSUE: Brenhill Developments
STATUS: With Program Area

CKNW AM 980 - John O'Dowd
ISSUE: Interview About Minister's Riding and the Election
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Vancouver Courier
ISSUE: Housing and Homelessness Interview
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Globe and Mail - Kerry Gold
ISSUE: BC HOME Partnership Program
STATUS: Provided Background

Global Okanagan
ISSUE: Chandler Street House
STATUS: Provided Background

CBC Kelowna
ISSUE: Student Housing Under the Residential Tenancy Act
STATUS: Provided Background

Globe and Mail - Brent Jang
ISSUE: BC HOME Partnership Program
STATUS: Provided Background

Globe and Mail - Frances Bula; Province – Sam Cooper
ISSUE: Brenhill Developments
STATUS: Provided Background

Vancouver Sun - Kim Bolan
ISSUE: Hells Angels expanding in B.C.
STATUS: Minister unavailable to provide comment

Roundhouse Radio 98.3 FM; CHNL
ISSUE: New liquor licensee education program
STATUS: With GCPE

CFAX 1070
ISSUE: Government vision for liquor industry
STATUS: With GCPE

Castlegar Source
ISSUE: Single Parent Employment Initiative
STATUS: Provided Background

Vancouver Sun - Tracy Sherlock
ISSUE: Economic/Social Indicators
STATUS: Referred to Third Party

CBC Radio Prince George - Jordan Tucker
ISSUE: BC Bus Pass
STATUS: Provided Background

Roundhouse Radio 98.3 FM
ISSUE: Low-income supports
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

CBC Radio - Prince George
ISSUE: Transgender Issues - Service BC
STATUS: With Program Area

CFAX 1070
ISSUE: Malahat
STATUS: With Minister's Office

North Shore News
ISSUE: Lions Gate Bridge proposal
STATUS: With Program Area

Castanet (Kelowna)
ISSUE: Contract awarded for Stickle Road
STATUS: With Program Area

Hope Standard
ISSUE: Info about Yale rock slide
STATUS: With Program Area

CBC - Vancouver
ISSUE: Looking for basic timeline on Evergreen Line
STATUS: Provided Background

FOIs of Note

OPEN GOVERNMENT POSTINGS:

AGR-2017-70595- XGR-2017-70563 - A summary document showing the Cliff number, date, and title/issue of all briefing notes, issues notes and advice to the Minister/Minister of State/Premier that were prepared between January 1, 2017 – January 31, 2017.

Applicant Type: Political Party

Summary: List of BN for January

FIN-2016-64294 - A copy of the records disclosed for FOI file LBR-2012-00030.

Applicant Type: Individual

Summary: None provided

GCP-2017-70274 - Regarding the event at Cumberland Cemetery and news release of Jan. 13, 2017 - Commemorative monument honours Cumberland Chinese Canadians: The Event Proposal including Event, Visual Messages, Written Messages, Rollout, Media Plan, Strategic Communications, Media Relations, Q&As and Event Information/Speaking Notes; Records about the scheduling of the news release and event, the choice of the venue, the creation of quotes contained in the news release and other content; List of invitees and attendees. (Date Range for Record Search: From 12/18/2016 To 01/13/2017)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 69 pages - Invitation list. NR. SNs. Email to media with links to photos and video. Event proposal. Invite. Event itinerary. KMs. MA. Media plan. QA

JTI-2015-54151 - Any and all records relating to Pacific Future Energy particularly: Any and all correspondence to or from Carroll James, Robert Delamar, Roop Virk or any other individual employed or associated with Pacific Future Energy; any documents relating to lobbying by Pacific Future Energy; any material sent by Pacific Future Energy or presented by Pacific Future Energy. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/17/2015 To 12/03/2015)

Applicant Type: Political Party

Summary: 44 pages – emails, Strategic Policy – Crown Land Allocation Principles, Strategic Policy – Crown Land Sales, and Land Use Policy – Industrial General)

JTI-2016-64876 - Any records, policy/background documents, briefing notes, and/or Ministry correspondence regarding changes to, or impacts on, BC funding for newcomer/immigration settlement and integration services in BC as a result of federal initiatives and commitments concerning the resettlement of Syrian refugees. Exclude all drafts. (Date Range for Record Search: From 09/01/2015 To 11/29/2016)

Applicant Type: Interest Group

Summary: None provided

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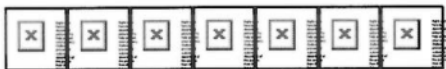
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Major Media Coverage

Television:

Global: Officials identify victim of shooting in Langley; Reward offered for information regarding Vancouver murder; Maple Ridge senior dies after two-hour ambulance wait; MMDJ announces funds for Abbotsford Regional Hospital; BC families question value of national MMIW inquest; MTS blames weather for fatal Coquihalla car crash; Gas prices skyrocket in Metro Vancouver; Controversial Vancouver land swap deal; Metro Vancouver cities urged to change housing zoning bylaws; NHL players won't play in 2018 Olympics

Mainstream Print:

Vancouver Sun: Major Liberal donor administers \$46-million incentive program; The great dump of Point Grey: Since '76 shiploads of material disposed of at site **Province:** NHL drops the torch – Hockey fans, players lose as league decides not to attend next year's Games in South Korea **G&M (BC):** Vancouver tech sector lags rivals: Report – An analysis finds the BC city's sky-high housing prices and lower wages fall short of West Coast hubs San Francisco and Seattle; Vancouver police make arrest for PharmaNet breach; Failure to communicate – Advocates say missing and murdered women's inquiry failing to reach out to families; UBC subject to critical missive for handling of Galloway case; Private seniors' care facilities opponents draw battle lines.

Social Media:

CBC New: 'Toxic legacy': Oilsands show down coming over tailings cleanup: report – Edmonton / **BC NDP Twitter:** Christy Clark gives million-dollar tax breaks to her wealthy friends. You're left paying more for the services you need / **Georgia Straight:** Martyn Brown: The end of B.C.'s political world as we know it / **BC NDP:** [Gary Begg for Surrey-Guildford](#) / **YouTube:** [Unaffordable - Not Working for You](#) / **Psychology Today:** [Why Men Trophy Hunt: Showing Off and the Psychology of Shame](#) / **DeSmog Canada:** [Alberta's Pipeline Regulation a "Facade" - Experts](#) / **Unifor National:** [Container truck drivers support BC NDP in unprecedented move](#) / **BC Gov News Twitter:** [Contract awarded for the new Mountain Highway Interchange project](#)

Chinese Media:

Sing Tao/Ming Pao: 56 Japanese-Canadian historic places were chosen to receive provincial recognition status. (MTW & MNY mentioned); MLA Yap hopes the redevelopment of Richmond Hospital's North Tower can be completed during his next term in office; S.U.C.C.E.S.S. & CIJA held election forum. NDP's Chow, Liberal's Lee, and Green's Markwick debated issues of housing, seniors service and ethnic harmony; Seth Klein with the CCPA says current welfare rates have created a social assistance system that leaves recipients dependent on food banks and other charities to meet their basic needs.

MMS says people receiving income assistance also get free MSP, pharmacare and emergency dental assistance, as well as tax credits.

Fairchild TV: Mayor Robertson says with 100 overdose deaths already this year in Vancouver, the city has yet to see effective action from the provincial and federal governments to address this fentanyl crisis. City of Vancouver is asking for the \$10-million federal government funding to be spent by the province to reduce the overdose crisis and save people's lives; Raise the Rates is calling on the provincial government to immediately increase basic welfare rate in the province.

Fairchild Radio/CHMB Radio: ICBC says it is working to expand its specialty plate program to include support for charities and not-for-profit organizations; Vancouver police have arrested one person and identified thousands more new individual who may have been victims of a massive PharmaNet privacy breach; Abbotsford police are investigating racist graffiti found at a school; FINTRAC has decided to cut the reference to "ethnic communities" in warning to real estate industry as the Canadian Real Estate Association expressed grave concerns that the reference could result in human rights violation;

South Asian Media:

RED FM: Harjinder Thind reports BC Green leader Weaver is shining in BC politics - Weaver is asking BC Liberals where their empty gas cylinder with 200,000 jobs has gone; In an interview with Thind, Harry Bains slams BC Liberals for delaying transit projects in the South of the Fraser, saying the 40% funding should have had been announced a long time ago - government is trying to make rich people happy but truckers, cabbies and construction people are crying. People dying in hospitals, forestry jobs gone and thousands of kids in portables (MPF & MMDJ mentioned); Jordan Bateman with the Canadian Federation of Taxpayers thinks MLA pensions are too high - MLA term limits, severance and pay is discussed; Truckers and taxi drivers have decided to defeat Christy Clark's BC Liberals in May 9 election - members of Unifor, United Truckers Association and Vancouver Taxi Association met yesterday to throw their support behind the NDP; Police in Abbotsford are investigating after racist graffiti was found at a school; IIO is looking into an in-custody death in Kelowna on Saturday; One person was killed and 10 others injured in a series of collisions that closed Coquihalla Highway Sunday.

Positive Coverage

Abbotsford Hospital – The province announced \$15M to expand the emergency room at Abbotsford Regional Hospital. MMDJ clipped. An unidentified nurses says it's a band-aid solution. Michael Marchbank says Fraser Health will increase staffing levels to accommodate the extra space. (Global)

Primary Care – MoH is investing \$90m over next three years to support more team-based primary care that will be better integrated with specialized community services. MTL also launched the new IHA facility in the North Hills Mall for seniors. MTL clipped (CHNL, CFJC) / 'Province to add \$90 million for team-based health care' – (Van Sun)

McLeod – McLeod Lake Indian Band reached a government to government agreement with the province. The agreement creates a consultation process for natural resource development and wildlife management. MMM clipped (CKPG)

CNC – The College of New Caledonia is expanding in Quesnel with a \$4M investment from the provincial government. MCO clipped (CKPG)

Ongoing / Emerging / Potential Issues

Liberal Donors – 'Major Liberal donor administers \$46-million incentive program' – (Van Sun) The New Car Dealers Association of BC has overseen millions of dollars in provincial government electric car incentives since 2011. They are

the third-largest donor to the Liberals contributing \$1.3 million between 2005 and 2016. Among the top 50 donors, the group is the largest beneficiary of transfers from the BC government. There was no bidding process for the right to manage the electric car incentive and it was given through a direct award. **Dermod Travis, Integrity BC** says the transfer agreement with the car dealers group is an “immense” problem in part because a private enterprise is providing a government incentive program through a third level bureaucratic process. **MBB** says a financial review of the program will take place this year. “It is probably right that it is not normal to do this with a for-profit organization...that makes it doubly, triply important for it to pass the smell test.”

Foreign Donors – ‘BC Liberals have been given a lot of foreign cash’ – (Prov) Editorial – Dermod Travis, Integrity writes political fundraising has given rise to a murky practice of raising campaign cash from ‘some dark corners of the world’; cites G&E Studio (mentions MTW), Petronas, Kinder Morgan, Edison Power, Princess Cruises and Holland America Line donations. Travis questions ‘when a party has a few scruples about who it will take money from and where they will raise it, you’re left to wonder what’s on the table when the cheques are handed over?’

Advertising – ‘Ad policy change due after election’ – (TC) MAW says changes are needed to toughen government advertising guidelines, but that won’t happen before voters head to the polls.

Health Firings – Long awaited report in health firing scandal is expected sometime this week.

- **Baldrey:** “The buzz is, that it’s a very lengthy report and therefore you may want to arrange for a way for people to absorb all the information in it rather than just putting out a news release.” Baldrey says he’s be surprised if it became a dominant issue in provincial election because there are so many other issues ‘crowding the plate’. (CKNW)
- **Rob Shaw:** “I would expect [Graham Whitmarsh] will be the central figure in this report.”; “The DM in charge of communications at the time was Athana Mentzelopoulos, who is now the DM of Finance... issue of how did the government press release get RCMP put into it, that’s a question that may end up coming back.” (CKNW)

GCPE Photographers – ‘Premier Clark has spent nearly \$1M on photography’ – (Prov Online) BC government spent \$923K for salaries and travel expenses for two full-time photographers to take photos and videos for government. That includes \$5,413 to send photographer to Paris for the UN climate change conference. ‘Government says all the spending is out in the open and reported in public budget documents, and government is also promising to more fully disclose the expenses of PCC and cabinet ministers’; Smyth suggests PCC should drastically cut her photography budget while she’s at it.

Other Issues

Resource Development / Forestry / Agriculture:

Shawnigan – ‘Hard line puts soil dump in dire straights’ – (TC) Cobble Hill Holdings wrote MMP last month after government revoked its operating permit. “The resulting impact is yet to fully crystallize, but we expect it will be catastrophic on our company, employees and ourselves.”; The company has until April 17 to either take action to ensure the long-term safety and stability of the soil in the landfill or must develop and implement a plan to remove the soil from the site.

Site C – Harry Swain, former chair of federal-provincial review panel looking at the economic benefits of the Site C dam says the project should be scrapped. Swain says the \$9B project could bankrupt BC Hydro and taxpayers will become responsible for the debt. (CBYG)

Wildfire Season – BC Wildfire Service says the fire risk is rising and will continue to climb as the weather warms. “There are firefighters that have come in for the season and there will be more firefighters joining in May. Right now, we do have a lot of initial attack crews and unit crews are on the ground ready to go in case there’s a fire.” (CHNL) / ‘BC wildfire season underway with 2 small blazes’ – (TC) – Small fires sparked in the Stein Valley, west of Fraser River and another one south of Prince George. Both were knocked down quickly.

Petronas – ‘Petronas considers Shell site for BC project’ – (Van Sun) Petronas may be looking at building a US\$27 billion LNG export terminal at site of Shell’s abandoned Ridley Island site. Petronas is carrying out a “total review” before deciding. If built, the terminal would be the largest private investment in BC history.

Log exports – “BC forest policies need to add up’ – (Black Press) Tom Fletcher writes we’ll be hearing a lot of talk about “raw logs” in the weeks leading up to election. BC Stats produced its annual export trade figures showing steep increase in log exports to China. Lumber exports to China climbed helping to keep BC sawmills running after the collapse of the US housing market. BC Liberals say much of the increase in log exports is from remote locations with no mill option available. ‘Economist will tell you that more jobs have been lost from new technology, in the bush and in the mill, than from log exports.’

Federal Marine Disposal Site – ‘The great dump of Point Grey’ – (Van Sun) – Vast amounts of dredged and excavated material are dumped each year six kilometres west of Wreck Beach. A 2015 sediment survey showed concentrations of arsenic, copper, nickel, barium, cobalt, manganese, and vanadium exceeded allowable levels, although they couldn’t be ascribed to disposal activities. Environment Canada said it permitted at least 204.923 cubic meters of material to be dumped at the site last year.

Education / Health / Social Services:

PharmaNet Breach – ‘Man arrested in relation to PharmaNet privacy breach’ – (Van Sun) / ‘Arrest made in PharmaNet breach’ – (TC) Vancouver police arrested a man they believe gained unauthorized access to the information system and used patients’ personal data for fraudulent purposes. Health Ministry characterized the breach as a product of ‘cybercrime’ that targeted doctors and medical clinic officers and PharmaNet service vendors. **MoH:** “This inappropriate access to PharmaNet is not because of a direct hack into the system. It is suspected that access was obtained through impersonation of physicians and other methods.” Government is providing free credit monitoring to affected individuals.

Walk-In Clinics – Walk-In Clinics of BC Association will officially launch a petition at its summit meeting in Burnaby Friday. The petition calls for government to train, recruit and re-train more family doctors. The Association wants BC government to remove the cap of 50 patients a day. (CHNL)

Ambulance Wait Times – A 86-year old woman broke her femur in a fall but it took hours for paramedics to arrive and she died the next day due to complications. The family has learned there were other ambulances closer, sitting outside Ridge Meadows hospital waiting for patients to be admitted. NDP candidate Maple-Ridge Pitt Meadows clipped. BC government has recently pledged to add 60 more paramedics and 20 ambulance dispatch staff. (Global)

Seniors Care – ‘Private seniors’ care facilities, opponents draw battle lines’ – (G&M) Opponents of a proposed residential care facility run by a for-profit operator on the Sunshine Coast are gearing up for a public meeting on April 30, saying they aren’t convinced the project is the best way to provide more seniors’ care in their region. **Protect Public Health Care Coalition:** “This proposal will do nothing to rectify the chronic shortage of long-term care beds on the Sunshine coast. We have concerns also about the quality of care in for-profit facilities compared with public facilities.” **VCH** says Silverstone would provide “a great improvement in quality of life over the aging Totem and Shornecliffe sites” which are around 30 year old and feature shared bedrooms with little privacy and make infection control more difficult; says private contractor will have to meet same standards. HEU has concerns over potential job losses and there are about 200 members who work at the Totem and Shornecliffe sites.

ER – ‘Moved out of ER due to lack of space’ – Bill Tieleman writes how he was suffering from pericarditis and was asked to leave Vancouver General Hospital’s emergency room because they were out of space. HEU says ER crisis is largely due to lack of provincial funding. **Jennifer Whiteside:** “Our per capita spending on health care in BC used to be number two and now we’re number eight. One of the results is overburdened emergency rooms.” VCH ‘agrees that moving patients in hospital gowns into the lobby is wrong.’ “Certainly it’s never appropriate for anyone to be put in a position of lacking dignity.”

MSP Coverage (specific case) – CTV's McLaughlin on Your Side - Vancouver man had a heart attack in UK and received a bill for about \$12,000, but was only refunded \$225. MSP brochure states 'MSP will help pay for unexpected insured services you receive while outside Canada.' **NDP Darcy:** "It says very, very clearly in the MSP rules that they will be covered for unexpected medical costs. Government should work with them to help solve this problem rather than throwing up barriers." **MoH:** "To process a claim, an itemized breakdown of services provided is required. If the individual is able to provide a more detailed list of expenses and services provided by physicians, we can look at this request again."

Rent Bank – New Westminster is creating a rent bank where people struggling to make rent can apply for a small loan. **NDP Darcy:** "What they really need and what we need across the province, not just in New Westminster, is a provincial government that's going to step up to the plate with an affordable housing strategy that spans the wide array of needs out there for affordable housing." (CBC TV)

Assisted Death/MAID – 'BC ahead of the curve on assisted death' – (Van Sun) / 'BC system of access to assisted dying praised' – (Prov) While other provinces try to piece together programs co-ordinating care for patients who want medical health ending their lives, BC's health authorities have quietly created a system that's winning praise from advocates. Each HA has a MAID patient care coordinator whose job it is to provide information about the process and connect people with doctors. **Dying with Dignity, Sue Hughson:** "While there are still areas, particularly within Providence, that I'd like to see improved, I have to say that we've had some very successful interactions on behalf of our patients."

Shelters Close – 'Camps sprout as shelter beds close' – (TC) Advocates say small homeless camps will pop up more often in region as shelters reduce beds and hours until next fall. Grant McKenzie, Our Place Society says many people sleeping in parks are young. "There are not many places for youth, especially ones that are low-barrier [accept those who use drugs and alcohol]". McKenzie hopes when My Place, a transitional shelter on Yates Street closes in May, it might be used as a day shelter for the city's homeless.

Aboriginal Children – 'Funding hurts indigenous kids' – (TC) Editorial – 'funding for aboriginal children doesn't match the need and doesn't provide the resources to do the job.'; 'the goal of effective child protection should be to make sure children don't have to go into care unless it's unavoidable...but funding works against that goal.'

Galloway – 'UBC subject to critical missive for handling of Galloway case' – (G&M) Author Brian Brett is calling on UBC to apologize for the suffering it caused over the Steven Galloway case (fired as chair of creative writing program), saying UBC should consider staging a "truth and reconciliation commission" to allow students, staff and professors to publicly express concerns about the handling of the situation. Brett writes: "The University's incompetent governance made everyone into victims of one kind or another and it still refuses to admit that."

Justice / Public Safety:

MMIW Inquiry – National inquiry into missing and murdered women is set to start work next week in Whitehorse, with meetings in Prince George scheduled for May. BC's Coalition on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls is concerned only 100 family members /survivors have been identified and it says the inquiry should be more proactive in reaching out to families who have lost loved ones. (CBYG, CKNW, Global) / 'Missing, murdered women's inquiry not reaching out to families' – (TC) / 'Advocates find inquiry's reach inadequate' – (G&M)

Distracted Driving – Surrey RCMP's latest enforcement blitz is showing distracted driving is still a big problem. Last month it issued 350 violation tickets – up slightly from 324 last year. (CKNW)

Gangs – 'Crime Stoppers campaign urges gangsters to snitch on rivals' – (Van Sun) / 'Rat out other gang: Crime Stoppers' – (Prov) Metro Van Crime Stoppers has launched campaign encouraging calls from anyone, even rival gangs. Tipsters may be eligible for up to \$2000.

Dial-a-Dope – ‘5-year term for serious dealer’ – Greater Victoria man [Zachary Matheson] who was the mastermind behind a sophisticated dial-a-dope enterprise has been sentenced to five years in prison (TC)

Graffiti – ‘Cops probe swastikas’ – (Prov) – Abbotsford police are investigating after racist and misogynist graffiti was sprayed outside the School of Integrated Arts.

Jobs / Economy / Skills Training / Labour:

High Earner Taxes – ‘Expect NDP to increase taxes for top earners’ – (Van Sun) Vaughn Palmer writes the NDP will surely propose to pay for some of their election promises by restoring a \$250 million-a year-tax on higher incomes that the Liberals phased out two years ago. NDP James: “It would surprise no one that we’re going to take a look at taking that tax break back. That’s a billion dollars over four years. That will pay for a lot of programs and services.” Vaughn mentions if tax is restored it won’t cover all the big ticket items announced in election platform, such as \$10/day child care, MSP elimination. ‘If past NDP practice is any guide, that would translate into balancing the operating budget over a multi-year economic cycle, not annually.’

Tech Sector – ‘Vancouver tech sector lags rivals: report’ – (G&M) New reports finds Vancouver’s tech sector has two major strikes against it when it comes to competing with Seattle and San Francisco for in-demand workers: sky-high property prices combined with relatively low wages (\$72K/year average vs \$142K in Seattle and \$145K in San Francisco). The report points out Vancouver does have the cheapest average rent and most affordable public transportation and groceries of the three cities. Local tech firms and PCC have been lobbying Ottawa to streamline the immigration process so BC firms can more readily recruit top foreign talent.

Fintrac – ‘Fintrac removed reference to specific ethnic communities from draft document’ – (Van Sun) Canada’s money-laundering watchdog drafted a document warning the real estate sector to be on guard for “specific ethnic communities” dealing with terrorism and warm, before removing the reference at the behest of the Canadian Real Estate Association. **CREA:** “Our lawyers would have rightly pointed out or reminded Fintrac that no Canadian can discriminate against another or any access to a service based on where they’re from”

Transportation:

Highway Lines – ‘BC drawing the lines on safety’ – (Van Sun) **MTS** says crews will soon begin blanketing the provincial highway system with new, thicker, more reflective paints that the ministry has developed after more than a year of testing. Ministry normally repaints almost 30,000 km of roads a year at a cost of almost \$11 million. The new paints are 30 per cent more expensive, meaning BC will have to bump up its line painting budget by \$1 million.

Coquihalla – The Ministry of Transportation describes Sunday’s road conditions as being bare to treacherous in a matter of minutes and says crews were all out salting and sanding. **MTS** clipped. (Global) / ‘Sudden snow squall causes Coquihalla crashes’ – (TC)

Cables Bridges – ‘Winter on the cable-stayed bridges’ – (Prov) – Port Mann and Alex Fraser were in the headlines numerous times this winter because of troubles caused by the prolonged and unusual cold and snowy weather. Bridges were fully closed for approximately 22 hours. 8,640 collars used to clear ice. \$6M spent to maintain bridges this winter. 248 claims to ICBC.

Transit Service – ‘Ridership up in Tri-Cities’ – (Prov) / ‘Transit ridership up in Tri-Cities, on SeaBus’ – (24 Hrs) - More Tri-Cities residents than ever are using transit since the Evergreen SkyTrain extension opened last year, according to preliminary figures from TransLink (combined rail and bus ridership in Metro Van’s northeast sector is up 20 per cent). Evergreen sees about 30,000 boardings on an average weekday. WestCoast Express ridership is slightly down.

Government / Politics

Greens – ‘Could Weaver throw BC election for a loop?’ - (Prov) Mike Smyth writes the Liberals are suddenly attacking Weaver, slamming the leader in a pair of news releases last week. Smyth suggests perhaps Greens are getting to popular for the Liberal’s liking and cites Mainstreet Research poll.

Vancouver Island Polling – NDP Horgan isn’t putting too much stock into poll conducted by Mainstreet/Postmedia which found Greens gaining ground. **Horgan:** “On VI, we took six of seven federal seats not that long ago. The last provincial election, we took 11 of 14. I’m fairly confident with NDP support on VI. But again, you just can’t take these things for granted.” (CFAX)

Look Ahead / Issues Summary

Events, Speeches & Releases

Tue Apr 4	Lead	Activity/Details	RLS	CC ID#
Time TBD CHANGED	JTST	News release only, provincewide - 2017 SkillsBC Provincial Competition: Release promoting the provincial competition on April 5 at Tradex in Abbotsford. Approx. 2,000 middle and high school students from regional competitions will compete in their respective trades or tech categories Jobs Plan, #BCTECH, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST- 79995
7:00 am	JTST	News release only, regional - Youth Trades Capital Program Funding Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST- 79821
7:30 am	MIT	News release only, provincewide - Hold for MIT investment #BCTECH	BCGov NR	MIT- 79920
8:00 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - Highway 16 resurfacing near McBride underway soon: 20 kilometres of the highway northwest of McBride will be improved to accommodate forestry and tourism traffic	BCGov NR	TRAN- 79964
8:30 am	FIN	News release only, provincewide - B.C. Government to partner with Vancouver Board of Trade on increasing SME exporting Budget	BCGov NR	FIN-79961
8:45 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - Three Highway 1 four-laning projects moving to tender phase: Chase Creek to Chase West, Salmon Arm West phase 1 and Donald to Forde Station Rd are now in the construction tender phase Jobs Plan	BCGov NR	TRAN- 79141
9:00 am	HLTH	News release only, provincewide - 500 Beds Announcement: Release announcing all 500 treatment beds are now open	BCGov NR	HLTH- 79187
9:15 am	HLTH	News release only, provincewide - Photo release to mark the opening of Ashnola at The Crossing: provides treatment for a unique population group through a new model of care developed with key stakeholder groups	BCGov NR	HLTH- 77810
9:30 am	TRAN	News release only, provincewide - Ministry will be taking action to improve lane line visibility across B.C. using a more durable and longer-lasting formula	BCGov NR	TRAN- 78858
9:45 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - Tender awarded for major resurfacing project on Highway 97 East of Kamloops	BCGov NR	TRAN- 79917
10:00 am	CSCD	News release only, regional - Clean Water Wastewater Funding (CWWF) for Parksville Qualicum	BCGov NR	CSCD- 79696
10:00 am	HLTH	Richmond - MLAs Wat, Yap and Reid, on behalf of Minister Lake, make health announcement	BCGov NR 10:10 am	HLTH- 79924
10:20 am	AVED	News release only, regional - Specialty Nursing at BCIT: Release announcing funding for renovations, a modular building and virtual simulation to support the expansion of specialty nursing to 1,000 spaces at BCIT Building8C	BCGov NR	AVED- 78176
10:30 am	ARR	News release only, provincewide - B.C. and seven Carrier Sekani First Nations are signing a one-year "Interim Pathway Forward Agreement" to provide for a dialogue on comprehensive reconciliation, and to facilitate deeper First Nations integration into the forestry economy, while providing greater certainty on the land base for the natural resource industry Aboriginal, Rural	Joint NR	ARR- 78962
10:45 am CHANGED	TRAN	News release only, provincewide - Hold for tentative agreement	BCGov NR	TRAN- 79875

11:00 am	JTST	Penticton - MLA Ashton, on behalf of Minister Bond, announces LMP Project Funding for Viticulture Sector: Event to announce phase 4 (implementation) of the Viticulture Technician Diploma Pilot led by Okanagan College. EVENT LEAD: Emily Young Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR 11:10 am	JTST- 76402
11:00 am	CSCD	News release only, provincewide - Powering for Potential Announcement: Announcing funding towards the BC Games Society (BCGS)'s Powering Potential Fund as part of BCGS' 40th anniversary (in 2018). The fund will support athlete and coach bursaries and legacy sport equipment for BC Games host communities, with corporate and private donations	BCGov NR	CSCD- 78864

11:00 am	JTST	Coquitlam - MLA Reimer, on behalf of Minister Bond, announces Youth Trades Capital Program Funding for Coquitlam: MLA Reimer visits Dr. Charles Best secondary school to announce funding to Coquitlam School District for the purchase of equipment to bolster trades training in local high schools Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR 11:15 am	JTST- 79468
11:30 am NEW	MEM	Information bulletin only, provincewide - Safe Digging Month	BCGov IB	MEM- 79969
12:00 pm	CSCD	News release only, provincewide - Infrastructure planning grants BuildingBC	BCGov NR	CSCD- 79369
12:30 pm CHANGED	HLTH	Information Bulletin only, provincewide - College of Diagnostic & Therapeutic Health Professions being established: Release announcing a new college of diagnostic and therapeutic health professions is being established after amendments have been made to regulations to designate four professions as self-regulating	BCGov IB	HLTH- 79507
12:45 pm NEW	RED	News release only, regional - BC Rural Dividend grant supports Fort Nelson First Nation and Northern Rockies Regional Municipality Jobs Plan, Rural, Skills	BCGov NR	RED- 79953
1:00 pm	JTST	News release only, provincewide - Youth Trades Capital Program Funding Rural BC Wrap-up Jobs Plan, Rural, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST- 79840
1:00 pm	HLTH	Nanaimo - Minister Stilwell, on behalf of Minister Lake, announces funding for Eden Gardens: Funding to support Nanaimo Travels Lodge Society in improving the lives of people living with dementia at Eden Gardens in Nanaimo	BCGov NR 1:15 pm	HLTH- 79965
1:30 pm CHANGED	AVED	News release only, provincewide - Funding to establish a scholarship for women studying careers in tech: Funding to the Irving K. Barber British Columbia Scholarship Society to establish a scholarship to support women studying careers that lead to the B.C. tech sector Jobs Plan, #BCTECH, Skills	BCGov NR	AVED- 79906
2:00 pm	ENV	News release only, provincewide - BC Yukon Water Management Agreement: Potential announcement of both provinces signing an agreement pledging to co-operatively manage shared water in the Mackenzie River Basin, specifically the Liard River and its tributaries	Joint NR	ENV- 79970
2:15 pm	ARR	Vancouver - MLA Sullivan, on behalf of Minister Rustad, announces Bridging to Technology funding for the First Nations Technology Council. EVENT LEAD: Louise Denis. Photos: Kyle Surovy Aboriginal, #BCTECH	BCGov NR 2:30 pm	ARR- 79432
3:00 pm CHANGED	MNGD	Surrey - Minister Coleman and MLA Cadieux Announces Funding for New Surrey Shelter: The new shelter will provide 50 transitional beds and 50 shelter beds	BCGov NR 3:15 pm	MNGD- 79901
4:00 pm	MEM	Kamloops - Minister Bennett speaks at Women in Mining Hosted Social as part of the Kamloops Exploration Group Conference and Trade Show	-	MEM- 78997
7:00 pm	MEM	Kamloops - Minister Bennett speaks at the Banquet Dinner during the Kamloops Exploration Group Conference and Trade Show	-	MEM- 78998

In the News

Tue Apr 4	Source	In the News & Issues Summary	Category	RIs
Time TBD CHANGED	TRAN-79994	Employee Mental Wellness Survey Results Released to Staff: ICBC and MoveUP, the union representing ICBC employees, have conducted a joint survey of employees' perceptions and experience regarding workplace mental wellness. Results of the survey will be released to employees on Monday will be used to help ICBC continue to improve its employee wellness programs, and will also contribute to a national baseline assessment of the mental health of Canadian workers	Issue	-
Today	IGRS-76921	SENEGAL National Day	FYI	-
Today	JTST-77296	Statistics Canada releases Canadian International Merchandise Trade (February 2017)	FYI	-
Today	ARR-79096	Hold for MARR matter Aboriginal	FYI	-
8:00 am	HLTH-78448	Interior Health Public Board Meeting	FYI	-
9:00 am	SBRT-79541	Rural Agency Store Advisory Society AGM: The theme discussion for this year's AGM will be "Help Shape the Future of our Licence (Authorization)	FYI	-
9:00 am	CSCD-79775	Creative BC Release - Interactive Fund Recipients: Release announces recipients of the Interactive Fund	FYI	3rd party NR
9:00 am	TRAN-79993	Vancouver Island Road Safety Speaker Tour: ICBC speakers connecting with Island youth to prevent crashes and save lives during grad season. For the 20th year, ICBC's road safety speakers are touring B.C. high schools to share their own heart-wrenching stories with students to remind them of the tragic and life-changing consequences of taking risks while driving	FYI	3rd party NR
9:00 am NEW	AVED-80002	SFU Release - SFU to showcase students taking part in a new coding intensive program for DTES adults: Students who are taking part in free coding workshops in the Downtown Eastside will showcase what they have learned in Firebase	FYI	3rd party NR
9:30 am	AVED-79960	Vancouver Community College & ECUAD Release - Creative Art Pathway Program: Release announcing a creative art pathway program for international students who need to meet English language proficiency requirements	FYI	3rd party NR
9:30 am NEW	TRAN-80016	BC Ferries - Langdale Berth to re-open: Re-opening of Langdale berth - Horseshoe Bay returning to previous service schedules on April 7 after temporary closure	FYI	3rd party NR
10:00 am	FIN-77912	BCLC Request For Proposal Qualifications to pre-qualify a short list of developers for a new Kamloops Head Office, and to announce results of Avison-Young building needs assessment	FYI	3rd party IB
11:00 am NEW	FIN-80000	Auditor General Teleconference on Budget Process Examination Phase 2: Forecasting for Operating Expense, Capital Spending and Debt. Report will be available on the office's website and there will be an opportunity for questions after Bellringer speaks briefly	FYI	-
Apr 3-4	SBRT-79543	Alliance of Beverage Licensees/BC Hotel Association Summit: ABLE BC and the BCHA hold their 2nd annual summit, a two-day conference and marketplace for BC's hoteliers and private liquor industry professionals. This year, the summit will host the first annual hospitality awards for Hotelier of the Year, Liquor Retailer of the Year, Publican of the Year	FYI	-
Apr 3-7 TBC	HLTH-78393	Fraser Health Release - Fraser Health invests in substance use beds and services: 147 new substance use treatment beds open by March 31	FYI	3rd party NR
Apr 4-6	IGRS-75729	BRUNEI: Visit of HRH Princess Masna, Ambassador-at-large of Brunei Darussalam	FYI	-
Apr 4-5	MEM-78994	Kamloops Exploration Group Conference and Trade Show - "30 Years of Discoveries": This group is a registered society that serves to promote interests of mining and prospecting for minerals, metals and petroleum, is hosting it's 30th annual Conference & Trade Show in Kamloops	FYI	-

Talk Radio Calendar

Thursday, April 6

Voice of BC – 7:00pm

Guest: Advanced Education Minister and MLA for Vancouver-Quilchena Andrew Wilkinson

Topic: BC Liberal Politics

Emerging Issues / Media Inquiries

The Northern View

ISSUE: First Nations and PNW LNG

STATUS: Provided Background

CBC - Kristin Annable

ISSUE: Federal government's Children's Special Allowance and how the provinces spend the money

STATUS: Unknown

Vancouver Sun – Rob Shaw

ISSUE: \$10 a day childcare

STATUS: With GCPE

CBC Vancouver - Yvette Brend

ISSUE: Adoption Act amendments

STATUS: Provided Background

Roundhouse Radio 98.3 FM

ISSUE: Transit Funding

STATUS: Scheduled Interview

CBC Vancouver - Gloria Macarenko

ISSUE: MBB on mining in B.C.

STATUS: With MO

CHNL Radio - Jim Harrison

ISSUE: Kamloops Exploration Group conference and mining in B.C.

STATUS: With MO

New York Times - Dan Levin

ISSUE: International Business Activity program

STATUS: With GCPE

Abbotsford News

ISSUE: Abby ER concept plan - visual

STATUS: Provided Background

Global BC - Kristi Gordon

ISSUE: Forest Fires

STATUS: Unknown

Merritt Herald

ISSUE: Off Road Vehicles trail management

STATUS: With GCPE

Delta Optimist

ISSUE: 10 Year Water Lot Leases

STATUS: With Program Area

Business in Vancouver

ISSUE: Fish farm data map

STATUS: With Program Area

CBC Radio - Prince George

ISSUE: Fires in Prince George Area

STATUS: Scheduled Interview

CKPG TV

ISSUE: Freshwater Fishing Regulations

STATUS: Scheduled Interview

The Tyee - Andrew MacLeod -

ISSUE: Forest Practices Board report - East Creek

STATUS: Declined Comment

Times Colonist - Lindsay Kines; Province – Cheryl Chan; CKNW
 ISSUE: Pharmanet breach
 STATUS: Statement
 CBC Prince Rupert
 ISSUE: Teen substance-use death
 STATUS: With GCPE
 Province - Bethany Lindsay
 ISSUE: MAiD
 STATUS: With GCPE
 Vancouver Sun - Derek Penner
 ISSUE: Americans skipping out on medical bills
 STATUS: With GCPE
 Globe and Mail - Kathy Tomlinson
 ISSUE: Doctor Billings
 STATUS: With GCPE
 CBC Vancouver
 ISSUE: Walk In Clinics Petition
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 Sing Tao
 ISSUE: Richmond hospital and walk-in clinic
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 Ming Pao
 ISSUE: Terraces on 7th
 STATUS: Provided Background
 North Shore News
 ISSUE: Multiculturalism grants
 STATUS: Provided Background
 Times Colonist - Katherine Dedyna
 ISSUE: Travellers Inn Fire
 STATUS: With GCPE
 Globe and Mail - Frances Bula; CBC Vancouver
 ISSUE: Auditor Generals Report
 STATUS: With Minister's Office
 National Post - Claudia Cattaneo
 ISSUE: LNG in BC
 STATUS: With Minister's Office
 Vancouver Sun - Vaughn Palmer
 ISSUE: Housing Investment
 STATUS: With Minister's Office
 Province - Sam Cooper; Global TV – Tanya Beja
 ISSUE: Brenhill Developments
 STATUS: With Minister's Office
 Roundhouse Radio 98.3 FM
 ISSUE: New liquor licensee education program
 STATUS: Scheduled Interview
 CFX 1070 - Ryan Price
 ISSUE: Government vision for liquor industry
 STATUS: Scheduled Interview
 CKNW AM 980 - Simon Little
 ISSUE: BC Stats census data
 STATUS: Provided Background

CBC Radio - Prince George
ISSUE: Transgender Issues - Service BC
STATUS: Provided Statement
Vancouver Sun - Gordon Hoekstra
ISSUE: Evergreen Line - precast concrete segments
STATUS: With GCPE
Province - Jennifer Saltman
ISSUE: Port Mann Bridge "by the numbers"
STATUS: With Program Area
Various
ISSUE: Coquihalla Highway
STATUS: Background provided
Vancouver Sun – Rob Shaw; Black Press – Tom Fletcher
ISSUE: Line painting
STATUS: Scheduled Interview
CFAX 1070
ISSUE: Interview about the Malahat
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

CFAX 1070
ISSUE: McKenzie
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

FOIs

FIN-2016-63855 - Any and all briefing notes about the application of BC trust legislation to investment dealers. (Date Range for Record Search: From 03/01/2016 To 10/03/2016)

Applicant Type: Political Party

Summary: 13 pages containing BN on a request from Investment Industry Association of Canada for an exemption for investment dealers from the trust business authorization requirements under the Financial Institutions Act, staff emails discussing the request and the memo from IIAC

FIN-2017-70029 - The statement of work, project plans, schedules, budgets, performance measures, terms of reference and/or mandate, and key deliverables such as reports, reviews or other feedback related to Michael Macdougall's Strategic Advisor Services contract CFFS34895. (Date Range for Record Search: From 02/01/2016 To 01/04/2017)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 49 pages containing the Management Consulting Professional Services Agreement for supplier Michael MacDougall

FIN-2017-70030 - The statement of work, project plans, schedules, budgets, performance measures, terms of reference and/or mandate, and key deliverables such as reports, reviews or other feedback related to Hayden Consulting Services Ltd.'s Strategic Advisor Services contract C16CFFS34893. (Date Range for Record Search: From 02/01/2016 To 01/04/2017)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 48 pages containing the Management Consulting Professional Services Agreement for Hayden Consulting Services Ltd

FIN-2017-70031 - The statement of work, project plans, schedules, budgets, performance measures, terms of reference and/or mandate, and key deliverables such as reports, reviews or other feedback related to Christopher Trumpy's Strategic Advisor Services contract C16CFFS34888. (Date Range for Record Search: From 02/01/2016 To 01/04/2017)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 48 pages containing the Management Consulting Professional Services Agreement for Christopher Trumpy

FIN-2017-70177 - The statement of work, project plans, schedules, budgets, performance measures, terms of reference and/or mandate and key deliverables such as reports, reviews or other feedback related to Macauley and Associates Consulting Inc. Strategic Advisor Services contract C16CFFS34878. (Date Range for Record Search: From 02/01/2016 To 01/10/2017)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 48 pages containing the Management Consulting Professional Services Agreement for Macauley and Associations Consulting

FIN-2017-70178 - The statement of work, project plans, schedules, budgets, performance measures, terms of reference and/or mandate and key deliverables such as reports, reviews or other feedback related to Stephen C. Munro Strategic Advisor Services contract CFFS34891. (Date Range for Record Search: From 02/01/2016 To 01/10/2017)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 49 pages containing the Management Consulting Professional Services Agreement for Stephen Munro

GCP-2016-60103 - All records relating to homeless campers on the lawn of the Victoria Courthouse, including but not limited to any draft messaging and any internal email correspondence. (Date Range for Record Search: From 10/01/2015 To 01/11/2016)

Applicant Type: Political Party

Summary: 426 pages - Emails re: onsite cleanup; Draft flyer to campers. Media requests and KMs re: Campers and Shelter and Housing Options. Letter to Campers with information on shelter options. Email re: flyer handout. Emails re: unsuccessful effort to remove the burn barrel and note that VicPD reported high risk youth accessing and staying at the site and that MCFD has been notified. IN on Victoria Courthouse Homeless Camp. Media requests and responses following a campers' press conference demoing more money and solutions for homelessness. Emails re: a sudden death at the encampment. VicPD NR re: stabbing. NR. TNO transcripts. Draft Our Place KMs. Media request re: SD61 claims they will spend additional \$44K to clean area around new shelter site. Our Place NR. City of Vic NR on approval of Yates Street

OOP-2016-64959 - All records regarding the proposed sale of Retirement Concepts. (Date Range for Record Search: From 09/01/2016 To 12/04/2016)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 82 pages of email correspondence, Globe and Mail articles, media requests, tno transcript of PCC media availability, tno transcripts of related clips, KMs.

OOP-2017-70109 - Records, documents, brief notes, etc., pertaining to BC's position as a constitutional actor in regards to the Senate Reform Agenda and Constitutional negotiation meetings. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2015 To 01/09/2017)

Applicant Type: Researcher

Summary: 25 pages. Link to PCC statement, PCC letter to Honourable Maryam Monsef, Monsef letter to PCC, KMs on senate appointments, draft response to Monsef letter, Postmedia media request with statement from MSA.

PSS-2016-64157 - Cost benefit analysis, briefing notes, information/decision notes regarding diversion programs i.e. addictions treatment for people suffering from substance abuse problems, concurrent disorders who interact with the criminal justice system; Analysis, briefing notes, information/decision notes regarding Recommendation 2 - Make quality mental health and addiction services more accessible - made by the Blue Ribbon panel report Getting Serious about Crime Reduction. Clarification: records related to other recommendations are not responsive to the request wording. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2016 To 10/24/2016)

Applicant Type: Political Party

Summary: 295 pages – BN – Blue Ribbon Panel summarizing issues raised by stakeholders, outlining G7G and SMART; IN on Vision Quest noting it houses community corrections clients if ordered by a judge; VQ wants its staff to be appointed probation officers and to let them house sex offenders. Ministry declines.

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From: Gordon, Matt GCPE:EX
Sent: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 6:01 AM
To: Fraser, John Paul GCPE:EX; Wolford, Jessica GCPE:EX; Mills, Shane PREM:EX; Smart, Stephen PREM:EX; Chin, Ben PREM:EX; Cadario, Michele PREM:EX; Carr, Steve PREM:EX; Sweeney, Neil PREM:EX; Mentzelopoulos, Athana FIN:EX; Koolsbergen, Nick LASS:EX; McPhee, Jordan PREM:EX; Kay, Maclean PREM:EX; Hodson, Blake PREM:EX; Henderson, Kim N PREM:EX
Subject: Morning Report (April 5)

April 5, 2017

Major Media Coverage

Television:

Global: Surrey vigilante accused of assault; Court clears extradition for Dutch man linked to BC teen's suicide; Vancouver man convicted of two deaths; UVic preventing autistic student from attending convocation; Province pays \$5M to clear snow and ice along Port Mann Bridge; TransLink replacing Expo Line tracks; Social workers gather to protest in Vancouver; John Horgan unveils NDP's election campaign bus; Keith Baldrey compares BC Liberal and NDP attack ads; FHA improving delivery of health services at local hospitals; Peter Fassbender joins unveiling of new Langley film and tv studio.

Mainstream Print:

Vancouver Sun: Advertisement; **Province:** Stoned Driving Danger – Major BC study finds a high proportion of young adults who consume marijuana admit they either driver while stoned or get into vehicles with drivers who've smoked pot; **Times Colonist:** \$3.2M for children's health on Island – Foundation's largest annual investment in its 90-year history to help 32,000 kids; Golden Penny making waves in the capital; RCMP holding ceremony to remember Sarah Beckett, who died a year ago; **24 Hours:** Advertisement; **G&M (BC):** NDP throws Clark under the bus; Non-profit groups defend transfer of province's social housing; Man accused in Amanda Todd cyberbullying case approved for extradition to Canada; Runner comes up six seconds short of finish in 160km race

Social Media:

BC NDP on Twitter: Christy Clark has taken millions in donations from developers then turned a blind eye while housing prices went through the roof / **Andrea Macpherson on Twitter:** 1st stop on BC NDP tour will be Vancouver. John Horgan addressing crowd / **DeSmog Canada:** Former corporate lobbyists running for BC Liberals part of 'alarming trend': watchdog / **The Seattle Times:** Seattle City Council votes to avoid banking with Keystone XL backers / **James Smith on Twitter:** Empty chair for Christy Clark at Met Van Alliance event / **Vancouver Observer:** It's time to stop funding BC's private schools

Chinese Media:

Sing Tao/Ming Pao: MMdJ hinted the Richmond Hospital redevelopment project will be implemented; MMdJ says the new 15% PTT has successfully reduced the number of foreign buyers. NDP Horgan criticized the provincial government for not releasing all the information about the real estate market. MMdJ De denies the accusation, saying the government wants everyone to know the real situation of the market and they have released all the information; On political donations, MMdJ said citizens or private companies should be able to choose to donate to which political party and what British Columbians don't want to see is having any tax money go to support the financial operation of

any political party; Four NDP candidates running in Richmond call on the provincial government to immediately commit to the redevelopment of Richmond Hospital and increasing hospital beds.

Fairchild TV: MMdJ says the BC Home Partnership program is a sound investment because tens of thousands of families can benefit from it. NDP Eby says the government do not have a careful plan to increase the supply of affordable housing. CTF Jordan Bateman criticizes the government for spending millions of dollars to promote the program for election and it's not able to solve the housing problem; S.U.C.C.E.S.S. and CIJA election forum - NDP candidate Chow criticizes the Liberal government for not helping immigrants, especially those who are highly educated. Green candidate Markwick criticizes the Liberal government for failing to reduce people's financial burden.

Fairchild Radio/CHMB Radio: It cost \$5 million to keep the Port Mann Bridge open and clear of snow and ice this winter; Auditor General Bellringer says the government is generally doing a good job preparing and reporting the budget forecasts; NDP unveil campaign bus and slogan. Horgan slams the provincial government for caring about the interest of their donors only; Carol Todd, the mother of Amanda Todd, is elated by the news that Aydin Coban has been cleared for extradition to Canada; The Real Estate Board of Greater Vancouver says the number of new residential property listings hit the lowest level last month in eight years; Mayor Gregor Robertson says spending \$323,000 in a fight against the Trans Mountain Pipeline expansion is a small price to pay. CTF Jordan Bateman calls it a waste of money.

South Asian Media:

RED FM: Harjinder Thind says Green Leader Weaver is well spoken and balanced and can increase Green MLAs this time and praises PCC for working on gender balance in the party, noting the Liberals have 40% female candidates; Surrey Creep Catchers have caught a man who allegedly took an offer to sleep with a mother and her six-year-old child; Dutch Supreme Court has approved the extradition of Aydin Coban to Canada but his extradition must be approved by the Dutch justice minister; Police are investigating the breach of BC's PharmaNet system; Walk-in Clinics of BC has launched a petition to demand more family doctors in the province; Despite winning the BC NDP nomination against the party leader's will, former cabinet minister Harry Lali will be facing three other candidates in the riding (Tegart is mentioned); Vancouver School Board has started to notify parents today if their child has won the kindergarten lottery; City of Vancouver has spent \$323,000 on fighting against the Kinder Morgan pipeline expansion; BC Non-Profit Housing Association says it will provide each candidate in upcoming election with a comprehensive report on the state of housing across the province; Vancouver-area new residential property listing level hit the lowest level last month in 8 years

SPICE Radio: President of the Surrey Creep Catchers has been released on \$1000 bail; Vancouver Police have arrested one man and identified about 13,000 new people who may have been victims of a massive PharmaNet privacy breach; Dutch Supreme Court has approved the extradition of Aydin Coban to Canada but the date is not set yet; Petition asking for more doctors in BC is hoping to collect 300,000 signatures - organizers say walk-in clinics are also facing a shortage of family doctors; Police are cracking down on distracted drivers

OMNI Punjabi: Police are investigating a fatal crash in Vancouver; One person was killed and 10 others were hospitalized in a series of collisions that closed Coquihalla Highway; Drop in gas supply south of the border is pushing up gasoline prices to \$1.42 a litre in Metro Vancouver; May soon be even easier to pay to take transit in Metro Vancouver and passengers could use credit card or phone to pay for transit fares; With less than a week an official election campaign begins in BC, the two major parties have announced candidates in almost all ridings; Several people attended a pre-election town hall meeting Sunday in Vancouver Chinatown as various communities have started reviewing party platforms.

Positive Coverage

Langley Film Facility - Martini Film Studios opened in Langley. **Gemma Martini:** "There are so many shows shooting, I think in the past we've actually lost the opportunity for shows to come to BC because we haven't had the space. Two TV

productions recently left BC for LA and even better tax breaks down there as the Trump administration looks to bring America jobs back home. Two years ago BC's film industry cracked \$2B and it has gone up from there. **MPF** clipped, **MRC** seen (Global)

Diversity in Tech – 'Women in tech sector say diversity will pay off' – (Prov) An executive with a Vancouver-based technology company says BC's resurgent tech industry has to be more proactive in promoting women within its ranks; Diversity was a major theme last month at the BC Tech Summit, where PCC highlighted efforts to train schoolchildren in computer coding to build the province into an innovation hub.

Digital Media – 'BC digital media firms get \$572,000 in provincial funds' – (Prov) 12 BC companies, eight in Vancouver, have received more than half a million dollars. The grants will fund the creation of original intellectual properties in interactive digital media and related software.

Highway Maintenance – 'Tentative deal reached on highway maintenance' – (TC) The BC government has reached a tentative agreement with the BC Road Builders group and the BCGEU on labour succession in 27 highway maintenance service areas. **MTS** says the agreement will bring the province savings of \$180 million over 15 years.

Ongoing / Emerging / Potential Issues

Election - Attack Ads - Baldrey: "NDP clearly think Christy Clark is the vulnerable spot, not the name BC Liberals. Liberals think the NDP brand is broken." "Expect NDP to continue to be very aggressive and very negative for at least the first part of campaign. They don't to repeat the mistake they made in 2013. Liberals will continue to push the economy but also remind people of what they see is the downside of the NDP, the 1990s." (Global) / 'Election campaign is getting personal' – (North Shore News) Baldrey: 'attack ads can only take the NDP so far. One of the problems comes from being in Opposition so long is being associated with relentless negativity, which doesn't woo voters.'; 'at some point the NDP will have to present a more positive message, one that clearly outlines specifically what it will do to help people.'; 'Horgan is still an unknown figure to most people. He'll have to put on his political salesman's hat at some point and depart from the attack mode.'

Election - NDP Campaign Bus – NDP unveiled its campaign bus and slogan: 'It's time to build a better BC'. **NDP Horgan**: "We're going to focus on growing an economy that includes everybody and making sure we're providing the services that people desperately need. Public education, health care, ten dollar a day child care, lifting the minimum wage." BC Liberal will unveil their bus next week. BC Liberal slogan: Strong BC, Bright Future. Greens plan to roll out a biodiesel vehicle on Thursday. (CKNW/Global) / 'NDP throws Clark under the bus' – (G&M) BC's spring election campaign has taken on a dark tone before it even begins, as the opposition New Democrats rolled out their campaign bus a week early, with fresh attacks against the Premier; NDP Horgan: "The wealthy have had their premier. It's time we had a premier that was working for you." "I am out spending money that was raised by the NDP to talk to people about the issues that matter to them"; On Sunday, NDP launched three new TV ads attacking Liberal record on housing, and increasing costs of services and nothing the RCMP has launched an investigation into political contributions. The ads feature the tagline: 'Christy Clark. Not Working For You.'

Election – Digital Data/Advertising – 'With election near, will big data shove your vote into another party's hands?' – (Van Sun) Nudging or digital paternalism is advertising tailored and targeted and delivered based on individual personality profiles, which are compiled using massive amounts of data that are scooped from anywhere – including social media likes and clicks; 'Politicians, their advisers and even the companies who did this work won't speak openly about it but they acknowledge it has been commonly used...some even acknowledge it is very intrusive and likely oversteps the privacy rules and regulations.'; Daphne Bramhan writes 'it's not surprising the BC government's advertising budget more than doubled on the eve of the campaign or that the Liberals have been loathe to put limits on party fundraising, third-party advertising or spending outside the campaign period'; 'Be aware if you spend time online at all, you may be a target during this election period and ask candidates what they plan to do postelection about election financing and ask what they are willing to do to protect citizens from being manipulated by the use of big data'

Party Donors – 'Liberal donor called for ouster of vehicle sales authority head' – (Van Sun) The New Car Dealers Association, a top donor to the BC Liberal Party, asked the BC government in 2010 – in a letter to then SG Mike de Jong – to remove the chief executive of the agency that regulates vehicle sales disputes with buyers (Ken Smith). **Dermod**

Travis, Integrity BC: "Everything in the letter speaks to me they are mad because the registrar is doing too good a job for consumers. Currently, based on what I can see, the new care dealers have been successful at achieving their ends."; **Ken Smith** 'said he had decided himself to retire in 2012 and although he never seen the letter, he had hears about it and believed the BC government had not reacted to it.'; **PSSG office:** "Government does not appoint or dismiss the president" and points to a 2011 letter where then-SG Rich Coleman called on car dealers and the safety authority to 'find a joint resolution on the issues of concern'

Other Issues

Resource Development / Forestry / Agriculture:

Forestry – 'BC's forests can be harvested sustainably' – (Van Sun) Editorial by Kathy Abusow, CEO of SFI Inc writes working forests that are responsibly managed provide us not only with conservation benefits (habitat, carbon storage, purify water), but also with the jobs that can sustain rural communities, and life-enhancing products.

MV Marathassa – 'Greek company must face BC court for 2015 fuel spill' – (G&M) A federal court judge has rejected an application for judicial review filed by a Greece-based company facing charges in a 2015 fuel spill in Vancouver's English Bay, saying it must make its case in BC Supreme Court.

Education / Health / Social Services:

Kindergarten – 'Kindergartners turned away from full schools' – (Van Sun) Eight Vancouver elementary schools are telling some parents of kindergarten-age students there isn't enough room for their children; News came a bit later than usual this year, after the VSB placed a hold on enrolments in March to wait for a settlement of the teachers' deal with the province. **David Nelson, VSB** says there is a good chance many [wait-listed] will eventually get a spot, once cross-boundary applications are approved and other changes take place and every child has been offered an alternative, except in some cases and in those cases, each student will be handled individually, with a space found by April 12.

Walk In Clinics - Walk In Clinics Association of BC has launched a petition. It wants to collect 300,000 signatures, which is the estimated number of BCians without a family doctor. 45 clinics have closed in BC since 2010 due to a doctor shortage (Global)

UVic Convocation - Nathan Brodie, an autistic UVic student with the STEP Forward program, has not received permission to attend his convocation. UVic is only school in BC that does not allow inclusive education students to take part in the grad ceremony. University Senate will vote on Friday. (Global)

Social Worker Rally - Union representing social workers (BCGEU) held rally yesterday raising concerns over MCFD funding levels. **Doug Kinna, BCGEU:** "Caseloads are way above the Canadian average because there is not enough of them. Hourly salary, they are eight in Canada. Retention problems are huge." **MSC Statement:** "We have been making changes to address workloads by adding staff, changing how we do our work, and taking some of the administrative duties out of the hands of front-line workers so they can focus on direct services to clients." (Global)

Gill Death - Fraser Health has released lab test results that show Nimrat Gill had Invasive Group A Strep. Coroner must still determine the cause of death. FH is implementing six measures to more quickly detect these infections, including sepsis screening on all child patients in triage, and adopting new paediatric early warning signs program to help make decisions in the emergency room (Global) / 'Doctors should have diagnosed child's fatal infection, mother says' – (Prov)

Brenhill – 'RCMP investigating complex Yaletown property swap' – (Van Sun) A complaint [South Vancouver Parks Society] has been filed with the RCMP concerning a controversial City of Vancouver property exchange involving a luxury condo tower to be built in Yaletown; Critics are asking whether city taxpayers got fair value in the extremely complex deal. There are also questions about whether the social and family-friendly housing benefits that city planners promised, have actually resulted; NDP Eby has asked why BC Housing provided a previously undisclosed \$39-million loan

Copyright

Justice / Public Safety:

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Jobs / Economy / Skills Training / Labour:

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Transportation:

Port Mann - Total bill to keep Port Mann clear of snow and ice - \$5M. Money was allocated to the cable collar drop. Traffic was stopped twice on bridge as a precaution (Global)

Expo Line –Rail replacement program is underway. Work is being done overnight to limit impact on transit users (Global) / 'TransLink to replace running rail on Expo Line' – (Van Sun)

Look Ahead / Issues Summary Events, Speeches & Releases

Wed Apr 5	Lead	Activity/Details	RLS	CC ID#
7:00 am NEW	EDUC	News releases only, regional - Rural Education Enhancement Fund Regional Announcements: Students, families and residents in rural B.C. communities will benefit from a funding boost under the Rural Education Enhancement Fund (REEF) to ensure 11 schools remain open	BCGov NR	EDUC-80001
8:30 am	CSCD	News release only, provincewide - CSCD and JTST are providing funding for the 2017 Honda Celebration of Light	BCGov NR	CSCD-79377
9:30 am	TRAN	Delta - Minister Stone and MLA Hamilton announce George Massey Tunnel Replacement Project Early Works Groundbreaking: B.C. is moving forward with site preparation for the GMT Replacement Project. It will replace aging tunnel with a new 10-lane bridge, and upgrade Highway 99. Site preparation work for highway widening is now underway, with the major works contract to be awarded this summer. The new bridge, opening in 2022, will improve highway safety, be built to modern seismic standards, and will save commuters up to 30 minutes a day. EVENT LEAD: Michelle May. Photo/Video: Kyle Surovy BuildingBC	BCGov NR 9:45 am	TRAN-79384
9:30 am	TRAN	Information bulletin only, regional - McKenzie Interchange progress update Jobs Plan	BCGov IB	TRAN-79645
9:45 am NEW	EDUC	News release only, provincewide - Launch of School District by District Interactive Website: Release announcing the launch of a new website that is giving parents the information they need about the education system district by district in an easy-to-read and interactive way	BCGov NR	EDUC-80032
10:00 am CHANGED	MIT	Vancouver - Government rep (TBC) Minister Wat speaks at QingMing Ceremony: The Qingming Festival is a time when descendants and families of those who have passed away gather at burial sites to honour the dead and to reflect on their legacies and impact on the living. The ceremony is practised today throughout BC. Photographer: Don Craig	BCGov STMT 10:20 am	MIT-79117
10:00 am	HLTH	White Rock - MLA Hogg announces Peace Arch Hospital upgrades: Event to announce upgrades including expansion and redevelopment of the emergency department, operating rooms and medical equipment. EVENT LEAD: Michelle May	BCGov NR 10:15 am	HLTH-79443
10:00 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - Announcing major renovations are now complete for 'The Last Spike' rest area	BCGov NR	TRAN-79896
10:10 am NEW	EDUC	News release only, provincewide - Rural Education Enhancement Fund Wrap-up	BCGov NR	EDUC-80033
10:30 am CHANGED	ENV	News release only, provincewide - BC Yukon Water Management Agreement: Potential announcement of both provinces signing an agreement pledging to co-operatively manage shared water in the Mackenzie River Basin, specifically the Liard River and its tributaries	Joint NR	ENV-79970
11:00 am	MNGD	Surrey - Minister Coleman announces funding for Aboriginal Housing Projects: Funding supports eight projects totalling 378 units Aboriginal	BCGov NR 11:20 am	MNGD-76417
11:00 am	HLTH	News release only, regional - Comox Valley Child Development Association funding	BCGov NR	HLTH-79583
11:15 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - New Bridge coming to Commotion Creek near Chetwynd	BCGov NR	TRAN-79915
11:30 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - Work continues on flood-affected streams in the Peace - update on streams affected by the 2017 flooding	BCGov NR	TRAN-79916
12:00 pm	TRAN	News release only, regional - Highway 14 intersection improvements: B.C. has committed to improving safety at the Parkland, Gillespie and Connie road intersections on Highway 14 between Langford and Sooke Jobs Plan	BCGov NR	TRAN-79977

12:30 pm NEW	HLTH	News release only, provincewide - Honour House Society Funding: Release announcing funding to support creation of the Honour Ranch facility providing mental health services for armed forces, emergency services personnel	BCGov NR	HLTH-79601
1:00 pm NEW	HLTH	News release only, regional - Kelowna Nurse-in-Practice Program: Program will create capacity for doctors to take on new patients by using a team-based approach	BCGov NR	HLTH-79518
1:15 pm NEW	JTST	News release only, regional - ITA-Innovation at Riverside College-Mission: Improving trades training outcomes and employability for trades students and apprentices is the goal of an innovative program developed by Camosun College for delivery at Riverside College Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST-79856
1:30 pm	MTICS	News release only, regional - Connecting British Columbia Grant Funding for Kamloops to expand or enhance Internet access #BCTECH, Rural	Joint NR	MTICS-79087
1:30 pm	SDSI	Victoria - Minister Stilwell announces funding for CanAssist: Funding for innovative technologies to address the progressive stages of dementia and to support families. Additionally, funding for the provision of innovative technologies for BC's Child Development Centres. EVENT LEAD: Deb Brendeland. Photo/Video: Jordan Grimsrud Accessibility	BCGov NR 1:45 pm	SDSI-79532
1:30 pm TBC NEW	EDUC	Media Teleconference only - Minister Bernier discusses the School District Information Website Launch: Announcing the launch of a new website that is giving parents the information they need about the education system district by district in an easy-to-read and interactive way	-	EDUC-80041
2:00 pm	HLTH	Abbotsford - Minister Lake speaks at launch of the Abbotsford Youth Service Centre: Event to officially launch Abbotsford's youth service centre as part of the 5 youth centres announced last year Mental Health	BCGov NR 2:15 pm	HLTH-76887
2:00 pm	AVED	News release only, provincewide - Short-Term Coding Programs Funding: Funding for programs at 10 public post-secondary institutions. One-time funding for short-term training #BCTECH	BCGov NR	AVED-79744
2:00 pm	JTST	North Vancouver - Minister Yamamoto, on behalf of Minister Bond, announces CJF-ESS Funding for North Vancouver: Event announcing funding for employment-readiness training in North Shore through the Canada Job Fund ESS stream Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR 2:15 pm	JTST-80026
2:30 pm	FIN	Penticton - MLA Ashton, on behalf of Minister de Jong, attends the Grand Opening of Cascades Casino	3rd party NR	FIN-78093

In the News

Wed Apr 5	Source	In the News & Issues Summary	Category	RIs
Time TBD	HLTH-79469	New Westminster - Royal Columbian Hospital Redevelopment Neighbourhood Open House	FYI	3rd party NR
Today	MEM-75617	BC Hydro Revenue Requirements Application: Deadline for BC Hydro to submit rebuttal evidence in response to any evidence submitted by interveners	Issue	-
Today	SBRT-78026	The Art of Leadership for Women conference: Brings together a collection of world-renowned bestselling authors, thought leaders and visionaries for a one-day conference focusing on helping leaders adapt to the rapidly changing business environment	FYI	-
Today	JTST-78313	Abbotsford - 2017 SkillsBC Provincial Competition: 2,000 middle and high school students from regional competitions will compete in their respective trades or tech categories MLA Gibson & MLA Plecas attending event Jobs Plan, #BCTECH, Skills	FYI	-
Today	MEM-79165	Parks Canada Submits State of Conservation Report to UNESCO Regarding Wood Buffalo National Park: Report is due to the UNESCO World Heritage Centre by April 1, 2017. Parks Canada will likely have until December 1, 2018 to update the WHC on the progress made in developing/funding/implementing the action plan that was requested in the mission report	FYI	-

8:00 am	CSCD-79998	Transit Campaign with Metro Vancouver Mayors: Metro Vancouver mayors (MC) kick off their transit-focused campaign at King George SkyTrain station	Issue	-
8:30 am	IGRS-78715	Welcome to the BC Public Service in Victoria: Orientation and official Oath of Employment Ceremony for new employees. Sponsored and facilitated by BCP5A, logistics and Oath Ceremony managed by Office of Protocol	FYI	-
9:00 am	HLTH-79623	PHSA Release - Two Proponents Selected for Provincial Addictions Treatment Beds	FYI	3rd party NR
10:00 am	HLTH-79426	Huggies Foundation launches infant hugging program at Victoria General Hospital: Kimberley Clark and Co. event to announce funding from Huggies Foundation for a new infant hugging program at Victoria General Hospital to help premature infants thrive	FYI	3rd party NR
11:45 am CHANGED	TRAN-79396	ICBC Looks at Anti-Distracted Driving Technology: As part of ICBC and the B.C.'s continued commitment to reducing distracted driving, today ICBC posted a Request for Information on B.C. Bid for market research and technology aimed at reducing distracted driving	FYI	3rd party NR
12:00 pm	IGRS-79335	REPUBLIC OF KOREA: Visit of Consul General, Mr. Gunn Kim and Consul Kangjun Lee	FYI	-
3:00 pm	AVED-75863	Vancouver Community College Board Meeting	FYI	-
Apr 4-6	IGRS-75729	BRUNEI: Visit of HRH Princess Masna, Ambassador-at-large of Brunei Darussalam	FYI	-
Apr 4-5	MEM-78994	Kamloops Exploration Group Conference and Trade Show - "30 Years of Discoveries": This group is a registered society that serves to promote interests of mining and prospecting for minerals, metals and petroleum, is hosting it's 30th annual Conference & Trade Show in Kamloops	FYI	-
Apr 5-7	FLNR-77782	Council of Forest Industries Annual General Meeting and Conference in Vancouver Jobs Plan	FYI	-

Talk Radio Calendar

Thursday, April 6

Voice of BC – 7:00pm

Guest: Advanced Education Minister and MLA for Vancouver-Quilchena Andrew Wilkinson

Topic: BC Liberal Politics

Saturday, April 9

CFAX 1070 – Dork Uncorked – 4:33pm

Guest: PS John Yap

Topic: Government vision for liquor industry

Emerging Issues / Media Inquiries

The Tyee - Andrew Nikiforuk

ISSUE: Aboriginal Skills Development Fund

STATUS: Provided Background

Province - Susan Lazaruk

ISSUE: Farm Classification status overview

STATUS: Provided Background

Vancouver Sun - Rob Shaw

ISSUE: \$10 a day childcare

STATUS: With GCPE

CBC French TV / Black Press / Global TV - Nadia Stewart / Fairchild TV

ISSUE: MCFD BCGEU rally

STATUS: Provided Statement

CBC Vancouver - Angela Sterritt
 ISSUE: Social worker wages
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 CBC
 ISSUE: Federal government's Children's Special Allowance and how the provinces spend the money
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 CBC Vancouver - Gloria Macarenko
 ISSUE: MBB on mining in B.C.
 STATUS: With Minister's Office
 CHNL Radio (Kamloops) AM 610
 ISSUE: Kamloops Exploration Group conference and mining in B.C.
 STATUS: Minister interviewed
 Global TV - Keith Baldrey
 ISSUE: Film tax credits - boundary change
 STATUS: Provided Background
 Globe and Mail - Brent Jang
 ISSUE: Softwood Lumber
 STATUS: With GCPE
 CBC Vancouver
 ISSUE: Minister Thomson listed as campsite contact
 STATUS: Provided Background
 Global TV - Shelby Thom
 ISSUE: The Crossing – Keremeos
 STATUS: Unknown
 Globe and Mail - Kathy Tomlinson
 ISSUE: Doctor billings
 STATUS: With GCPE
 Canadian Press - Camille Bains
 ISSUE: Overdose prevention sites
 STATUS: Provided Background
 CTV 2 - Scott Cunningham / CBC Vancouver
 ISSUE Doctor shortage
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 CBC – Vancouver
 ISSUE: Family doctor shortage
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 Vancouver Sun - Derek Penner
 ISSUE: Americans skipping out on medical bills
 STATUS: Referred to Health Authority
 News 1130 - Marcella Bernardo / CBC Vancouver - Jennifer Chen
 ISSUE: BCFED / Fine for violations that caused worker's death
 STATUS: With Minister's Office
 Globe and Mail - Kerry Gold
 ISSUE: BC HOME Partnership Program
 STATUS: With Program Area
 CHEK TV
 ISSUE: Shelter Closures
 STATUS: Provided Background
 Province - Sam Cooper
 ISSUE: Brenhill Developments
 STATUS: Provided Background

Times Colonist - Katherine Dedyna
 ISSUE: Travellers Inn Fire
 STATUS: Provided Background
 Global TV - Tanya Beja
 ISSUE: 920 East Hastings
 STATUS: Provided Background
 Globe and Mail - Frances Bula / CBC Vancouver
 ISSUE: Auditor General Report
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 Vancouver Sun - Vaughn Palmer
 ISSUE: Housing Investment
 STATUS: Provided Background
 CBC Vancouver
 ISSUE: Education opportunities for inmates in correctional facilities
 STATUS: With GCPE
 Vancouver Sun - Nick England
 ISSUE: Creep Catchers
 STATUS: Provided Statement
 CBC - Radio Canada
 ISSUE: Drinkable marijuana lounge - provincial policies
 STATUS: Provided Background
 CBC – Kelowna
 ISSUE: Glade ferry
 STATUS: Unknown
 Various
 ISSUE: Line Paint
 STATUS: Unknown
 Vancouver Sun - Gordon Hoekstra
 ISSUE: Evergreen Line - precast concrete segments
 STATUS: Scheduled Interview

FOIs

GCP-2017-70541 - Copies of organization charts and staff lists for Government Communications and Public Engagement, with the names and titles of individuals as they existed in January 2016 and January 2017. Please also indicate when a position is vacant.

Applicant: Media

Summary: 79 pages – org charts – where there are inaccuracies, they have been noted on the page for the applicant

OOP-2016-60102 – Records of any and all emails sent from the following individuals: John Dyble, Bobbi Plecas, Neil Sweeney, Sandy Wharf, Michelle Leamy. Date range: October 26-29, 2015

Applicant: Political party

Summary: 209 pages – emails regarding Staffing OICs, Public Policy Forum Governance Report, GCPE Staffing Order, AHSN Launch, Tech Strategy ADM Working Group, Performance and Development Process Final Reports Signoff, FOI administration emails, Tofino, Geoduck, Fahmy meeting. Many pages redacted

OOP-2016-64811 – Regarding the Nov 22, 2016 event at the Centre for Family Development in Surrey and announcement – Province details half-a-billion dollars in affordable housing – records relating to: the strategic communications plan including the planning, production, and execution of the event and interviews; how the announcement and news release and time were chosen; creation of quotes contained in the news release and other content of the release; the list of invitees and attendees to the event and the cost of the event. Date range is October 22-November 22, 2016

Applicant: Media

Summary: 114 pages – NR. Telus audio confirmation. Podium sign. Invite List. Itinerary. SN

OOP-2016-65171 – Regarding the Dec 15, 2016 event and announcement – New program partners with first-time homebuyers as they enter the housing market – about the BC Home Owner Mortgage and Equity Partnership: Records

about the strategic communications plan including the planning, production, and execution of the event and interviews; how the event location and news release and time were chosen; creation of quotes contained in the news release and other content of the release; the list of invitees and attendees to the event and the cost of the event. Date range is November 1 – December 15, 2016

Applicant: Media

Summary: 190 pages – Talk show confirmations and media requests. Transcript of media availability. NR. MA. Event itinerary. QA. Homebuyer, Lender, Real Estate, Lawyer packages. Infographics. Summary of Questions from tech briefing. SNs. MLA Kit

OOP-2017-70176 – All records regarding the Premier's WeChat account including but not limited to correspondence about registration, budgeting, payments, administration and translation. Date range is November 1, 2016 to January 10, 2017

Applicant: Media

Summary: 22 pages – Includes morning report for December 9, Chinese media issue summaries, list of popular Chinese-language websites compiled by caucus research

OPEN GOVERNMENT POSTINGS:

DM Travel Expenses for February 2017

CTZ-2017-70351 - The Victoria Courthouse exterior lands environmental assessment - including expert scientific reports on the conditions of soil and trees on the site - after the removal of the homeless camp and recommendations for its future uses. (Date Range for Record Search: From 08/01/2016 To 01/13/2017)

Applicant Type: Media

Summary: 255 pages including arborists December 2016 report, quote/project plan from Pinchin West regarding Tervita costs for remediation, a summary of the contaminants found in the soil and detailed charts of the type of contaminants and levels, an Oct 2016 Final Pinchin West Environmental Soil Sampling report with details on the types of contaminants found in the soil and detailed charts, certificate of analysis from ALS Global with sampling tables listing contaminants, a quality control report, analytical report, hydrocarbon distribution report. IN available.

OOP-2016-60377 - Records of any and all emails sent from the following individuals for the timeframe Jan. 11-15, 2016: Ben Chin; Sam Oliphant; Andrew Ives; Maclean Kay.

Applicant Type: Political Party

Summary: 636 pages of emails

TRA-2017-70186 - All records regarding the processing and handling of TRA-2016-61910. (Date Range for Record Search: From 05/02/2016 To 01/10/2017)

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Summary: The administrative emails and documents from ministry FOI and the IAO related to the processing of a previous request that asked for estimate materials on PavCo, Evergreen Line and Massey Tunnel Replacement.

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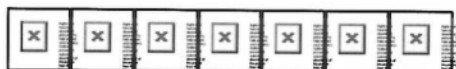
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Time TBD NEW	MEM	News release only, regional - Hold for MEM release	BCGov NR	MEM- 80061
8:00 am CHANGED	ARR	Information bulletin only, provincewide - B.C. and seven Carrier Sekani First Nations signed a one-year "Interim Pathway Forward Agreement" to provide for a dialogue on comprehensive reconciliation, and to facilitate deeper First Nations integration into the forestry economy, while providing greater certainty on the land base for the natural resource industry Aboriginal, Rural	BCGov IB	ARR- 78962
8:15 am NEW	FLNR	News release only, regional - Invasive Plant Grants for Prince George	BCGov NR	FLNR- 80063
8:30 am	TRAN	News release only, provincewide - Announcing New Inland Ferry Begins Trials on Adams Lake: The first of four new inland cable ferries has begun trials. The new Adams Lake ferry will replace the oldest ferry in the Province's inland ferry fleet on the run across Adams Lake, twenty kilometres north of Highway 1 between Chase and Sorrento	BCGov NR	TRAN- 76280
8:30 am	FLNR	Vancouver - Minister Thomson provides opening remarks at Council of Forest Industries AGM Jobs Plan	-	FLNR- 78939
8:45 am NEW	ARR	News release only, regional - Pacheedaht land transfer: The Ministry purchased private lands in the Juan de Fuca area. The purchase secures public access to Juan de Fuca trail and some lands will be offered as potential treaty land to Pacheedaht First Nation Aboriginal, Rural	BCGov NR	ARR- 79812
9:00 am	HLTH	Burnaby - MLA Lee, on behalf of Minister Lake, provide update on Burnaby Hospital Renewal: Renewal project and business plan approval for Burnaby Hospital emergency department mental health and substance use and community health services renovation. EVENT LEAD: Michelle May	BCGov NR 9:15 am	HLTH- 76483
9:00 am NEW	JTST	News release only, regional - Destination BC's Co-op Marketing Partnerships Program Funding for the Kootenays: Funding to support marketing of the Kootenays as a tourism destination	BCGov NR	JTST- 80058
9:30 am NEW	ARR	News release only, regional - Announcement of G2G and mineral tax revenue sharing agreements with Tse Keh Nay alliance of First Nations related to Kemess Underground mine Aboriginal, Jobs Plan, Rural	BCGov NR	ARR- 80048
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10:00 am	HLTH	Trail - Minister Lake and MLA Larson announce completion of improvements to the ICU at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital: Event to announce completion of renovations	BCGov NR 10:15 am	HLTH- 78778
10:30 am	EDUC	Vancouver - Minister Wat, on behalf of Minister Bernier, announces the Asia Pacific Foundation Curriculum Resources Project: Minister Wat meets with members of the Asia Pacific Foundation to announce the launch of the Asia Pacific resources curriculum	Joint NR 10:45 am	EDUC- 77594

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10:30 am	SBRT	Penticton - MLA Ashton, on behalf of Minister Oakes, announces Wine in Grocery: The Overwaitea store will be opening their wine on shelves section after successfully bidding for a licence in the first round of auctions	3rd party NR	SBRT-78961
10:30 am	SDSI	News You Can Use only, web post only - Technology@Work Client Profile: Profile on Technology@Work client in Comox. Program helps British Columbians with disabilities achieve their employment and volunteer goals by providing them with assistive technology Accessibility	BCGov NYCU	SDSI-79404
11:00 am	CSCD	Surrey - Minister Fassbender attends the Indus Media Foundation Exhibit Event on the Commemoration of the Centennial of The Battle of Vimy Ridge: Event to showcase a traveling exhibit that is used to educate people about the role of the story of British Columbia's Punjabi veterans	-	CSCD-79614
11:00 am	MTICS	News release only, provincewide - Minor BC Knowledge Development Funding provided to UBC, SFU and UBCO Jobs Plan, #BCTECH	BCGov NR	MTICS-79987
11:15 am	CSCD	News release only, provincewide - Peace River Agreement Annual Payment: The PRA provides an annual base payment to each signatory community	BCGov NR	CSCD-80020
11:15 am TBC NEW	FIN	Statement only, provincewide - Hold for FIN release	BCGov STMT	FIN-80052
11:45 am	TRAN	News release only, regional - Terrace and the Hazeltons will soon receive new inter-community transit service, which is made possible through the B.C. government's Highway 16 Transportation Action Plan	BCGov NR	TRAN-79989
12:45 pm	ENV	News release only, provincewide - Update on Discover Camping reservations as there have been more than 36,000 reservations made	BCGov NR	ENV-79971
1:00 pm	JTST	News release only, regional - Quadrant Marine LMP Project: Release announcing Labour Market Partnership project with Quadrant Marine Institute Inc. to conduct a competency assessment w/ recreational marine service employers which will define and evaluate barriers to their engagement in apprenticeship training Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST-78919
1:00 pm	ENV	Conservation Officer Services Media Briefing: Deputy Chief Chris Doyle - via conference call - provides a provincial overview of human-wildlife conflicts, cases and seasonal updates	-	ENV-79441
1:00 pm	MTICS	Surrey - Minister Virk speaks at Launch of BC Innovation Council's new Health Tech Accelerator: This is the first of its kind in British Columbia, and the only one in Western Canada. EVENT LEAD: Louise Denis. Photo/Video: Kyle Surovy #BCTECH	3rd party NR	MTICS-79605
1:30 pm	JTST	News release only, regional - Association of BC Marine Industries LMP Project: Release announcing Labour Market Partnership project with ABCMI to conduct a detailed review and analysis of the industrial marine sector's labour force within each of the 6 sub-sectors and their respective key labour force issues Jobs Plan, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST-78920
2:00 pm	HLTH	New Westminster - MLAs Bing, Lee and Reimer, on behalf of Minister Lake, announce Royal Columbian Hospital Re-Development Project: Event to announce next steps of redevelopment. EVENT LEAD: Michelle May	BCGov NR 2:15 pm	HLTH-79190
2:30 pm	MTICS	News release only, regional - Connecting British Columbia Grant Funding for 100 Mile House to expand or enhance Internet access #BCTECH, Rural	Joint NR	MTICS-79085
3:00 pm CHANGED	JTST	News release only, provincewide - CJF-ESS/TIOW Funding: Release announcing the remaining Employment Services and Supports (ESS), Targeted Initiatives for Older Workers (TIOW) and EDD-Rapid Response Fund programs. These are skills training investments in various B.C. communities, including urban and rural areas Jobs Plan, Rural, Skills	BCGov NR	JTST-79484
3:15 pm CHANGED	SBRT	News release only, regional - In a partnership between Futurpreneur, B.C. announces funding for Vancouver Island	BCGov NR	SBRT-79305

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3:20 pm NEW	SBRT	News release only, regional - Rock My Business Plan funding for the Interior	BCGov NR	SBRT-80056
3:25 pm NEW	SBRT	News release only, regional - Rock My Business Plan funding for Northern B.C.	BCGov NR	SBRT-80057
3:30 pm CHANGED	SBRT	News release only, provincewide - ThriveNorth Funding	BCGov NR	SBRT-79481
5:00 pm CHANGED	HLTH	Surrey - MLAs Wilkinson and Sullivan, on behalf of Minister Lake, announce funding for YMCA: Event announcing funding to support YMCA capital initiatives on a provincial basis and to support youth mental health through YMCA Youth Mindfulness Program	-	HLTH-79611

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Today	JTST-77212	Statistics Canada releases Building Permits (February 2017)	FYI	-
Today	ARR-78894	Hold for MARR matter Aboriginal	FYI	-
Today	ARR-79106	Hold for MARR matter Aboriginal	FYI	-
7:10 am NEW	HQ-80062	CKNW Early Edition with Rick Cluff Guest: Minister Cadieux, Jodie Wickens and Andrew Weaver Topic: Death of Baby Mac in an unlicensed child-care centre	TV / Radio	-
8:00 am	HLTH-79575	CIHI Report - Unnecessary Care in Canada: CIHI and Choosing Wisely Canada quantify the unnecessary tests and procedures that are done every year in Canada, across 8 CWC recommendations. Report also highlights ways that partner organizations from across the country are using specific programs and approaches to reduce potentially unnecessary treatments and procedures	Issue	3rd party Report
8:00 am	MNGD-79973	Metro Vancouver Homeless Count: Release of preliminary results of the Homeless Count. This will include minimal data from the homeless count, e.g.: total of homeless in the region; total sheltered and street homeless. This count is conducted every three years	Issue	-
9:00 am	EMBC-79299	Enhanced First Nations Emergency Management Bilateral Agreement in Abbotsford: Fifth and final meeting with First Nations on agreement between EMBC and INAC Aboriginal	FYI	-
9:00 am NEW	TRAN-80054	Spirit of Vancouver Island returns to service: BC Ferries announces the Spirit of Vancouver Island will return to service on the Metro Vancouver – Victoria (Tsawwassen – Swartz Bay) route Friday, April 7 following mechanical repairs	FYI	3rd party NR
10:00 am	AVED-79789	Lil'wat First Nation host Ts'ilil Learning Centre Groundbreaking Ceremony: Groundbreaking ceremony for band members to mark start of construction for new Ts'ilil Learning Centre	FYI	-
10:00 am NEW	IGRS-80044	US - Chargé D'Affaires Elizabeth Moore Aubin of the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa meeting	FYI	-
11:00 am	HLTH-79896	Fraser Health Release - Surrey Memorial Hospital's Mental Health Unit Opening Soon: A state-of-the-art unit for children and adolescents with urgent mental health issues is set to open this spring at Surrey Memorial Hospital, home to a Snoezelen™ Room, the first of its kind for children and youth in hospital psychiatric unit in Canada Mental Health	FYI	3rd party NR
3:00 pm	AVED-75902	University of the Fraser Valley Board Meeting	FYI	-
3:30 pm	FLNR-79274	Open House for the 2017 Gypsy Moth Ground Spray Treatment Program in Surrey: Members of the BC Gypsy Moth technical advisory committee, representatives from the ministries of environment and agriculture, and other experts will be holding an open house to talk to residents about the 2017 gypsy moth aerial spray treatment program for Surrey	FYI	-
7:00 pm	HQ-79382	Voice of BC Guest: Minister Wilkinson Topic: BC Politics	FYI	-
Apr 4-6	IGRS-75729	BRUNEI: Visit of HRH Princess Masna, Ambassador-at-large of Brunei Darussalam	FYI	-
Apr 5-7	FLNR-77782	Council of Forest Industries Annual General Meeting and Conference in Vancouver Jobs Plan	FYI	-
Apr 6-9	CSCD-79778	2017 Canadian Swimming Trials in Victoria: Swim Canada and the Island Swimming Club is hosting the Canadian Swimming Trials for World's along with Swimming Canada Nation. Minister Fassbender providing message for program	FYI	-

Talk Radio Calendar

NEW Tuesday, April 6

CKNW Early Edition with Rick Cluff – 7:10 a.m.

Guest: Minister of Children and Family Development Stephanie Cadieux, BC NDP MLA Jodie Wickens, BC Green MLA Andrew Weaver

Topic: Death of Baby Mac in an unlicensed child-care centre

Thursday, April 6

Voice of BC – 7:00pm

Guest: Advanced Education Minister and MLA for Vancouver-Quilchena Andrew Wilkinson

Topic: BC Liberal Politics

Saturday, April 8

CFOX 1070 – Dork Uncorked – TBD (will air between 4:33 – 4:53 p.m.)

Guest: PS John Yap

Topic: Government vision for liquor industry

Emerging Issues / Media Inquiries

Liz Hostland - Kelowna Now

ISSUE: Women in BC Tech

STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- Reporter referred to Judi Hess for interview.

Danielle Carr - Vancouver Co-op Radio

ISSUE: BCIT Specialty Nursing Announcement

STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Minister unavailable.

Nadia Stewart - Global TV | BC

ISSUE: BC student loan data request

STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- Finance to respond as loan repayment is Finance.

Brielle Morgan - Discourse Media

ISSUE: RCY Recommendation

STATUS: With GCPE

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ISSUE: MCFD

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Rob Shaw - Vancouver Sun

ISSUE: \$10 a day childcare

STATUS: With GCPE

Jeremy Allingham - CBC - Vancouver

ISSUE: Evidence for Democracy report

STATUS: With GCPE

Zoe Ducklow - The Tyee

ISSUE: Site C

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Christopher Pollon - The Tyee

ISSUE: What has changed in B.C. as a result of the the Mount Polley spill

STATUS: With GCPE

Peter Caulfield - Mineral Exploration Magazine

ISSUE: Minister Bennett profile

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Gloria Macarenko - CBC - Vancouver

ISSUE: MBB on mining in B.C.

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Bob Mackin - Freelancer

ISSUE: BC Parks Foundation compensation

STATUS: With Program Area

Jan McMurray - Valley Voice (New Denver)

ISSUE: Logging near Park

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Evan Matthews - The Rocky Mountain Goat News

ISSUE: WSA

STATUS: With Minister's Office

David Opinko - Summit 107 FM; Jeff Johnson - Drive (Cranbrook) - CHDR Radio 102.9

ISSUE: Mussels

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Robert Barron - Cowichan Valley Citizen (Duncan)

ISSUE: CHH

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Marcella Bernardo - News 1130

ISSUE: Allegations of money laundering in real estate

STATUS: With Program Area

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Darryl Greer - Freelancer

ISSUE: Transparency International Report

STATUS: With GCPE

Dan Levin - New York Times

ISSUE: International Business Activity program

STATUS: With GCPE

Lynn Mitges - Pique News Magazine

ISSUE: Avalanches at Whistler Blackcomb

STATUS: With GCPE

Angelo Iacobucci - CHNL Radio (Kamloops) AM 610

ISSUE: River Forecast Centre

STATUS: With Program Area

Monica Lamb-Yorski - Williams Lake Tribune

ISSUE: Helena Lake Squatter Eviction Notice

STATUS: With Program Area

Anne Hack - Houston Today
ISSUE: River Levels in Houston Area
STATUS: With Program Area

Nelson Bennett - Business in Vancouver
ISSUE: Fish farm data map
STATUS: With Program Area

Brent Jang - Globe and Mail (BC Bureau)
ISSUE: Softwood Lumber
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

- A technical briefing with the reporter and FLNRO Associate Deputy Minister Jason Fisher has been scheduled for Friday.

Shannon Paterson - CTV News (BC)
ISSUE: MEDIA REQUEST - FRASER HEALTH CHANGES - Shannon Paterson - CTV Vancouver - DL April 5 4PM
STATUS: With GCPE

Lisa Johnson - CBC - Vancouver
ISSUE: Unlicensed summer days camps
STATUS: With GCPE

Kathy Tomlinson - Globe and Mail
ISSUE: Doctor Billings
STATUS: With GCPE

Anna Mehler Paperny - Reuters
ISSUE: Mental Health Admissions and Stats
STATUS: With GCPE

Clare Hennig - CBC - Vancouver
ISSUE: Sexual Assault Kits
STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- Sent to VCH

Shelby Thom - Global TV | BC
ISSUE: The Crossing - Keremeos
STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- Referred to PHSA.

Timothy Collins - Peninsula News Review (Sidney)
ISSUE: Trades Equipment for School Districts
STATUS: With GCPE

Larry Pynn - Vancouver Sun
ISSUE: Political donation
STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- Referred the reporter to the BC Wildlife Federation and/or BC Liberal Party, and shared the Standards of Conduct that all BC Public Sector employees are expected to comply with.

Katie Hyslop - The Tyee
ISSUE: Fixed Term Leases
STATUS: With GCPE

Derrick Penner - Vancouver Sun
ISSUE: Gas Migration in Groundwater
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Marcella Bernardo - News 1130
ISSUE: Brenhill Developments
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Phil Melnychuk - Maple Ridge News
ISSUE: Maple Ridge Shelters
STATUS: With Program Area

Claudia Cattaneo - National Post
ISSUE: LNG in BC
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Lyonel Doherty - Oliver Chronicle
ISSUE: OCC
STATUS: With Program Area

Leslie Young - Global - Toronto
ISSUE: Approved police weapons
STATUS: With Program Area
Wawmeesh Hamilton - CBC Vancouver
ISSUE: Education opportunities for inmates in correctional facilities
STATUS: With Program Area

Jan Zeschky - The Growler
ISSUE: Safety inspections for BC breweries
STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- Referred to WorkSafeBC:
This link provides the guide to WorkSafeBC's guide: Staying healthy and safe in B.C.'s burgeoning craft brewing industry. <https://www.worksafebc.com/-/media/F606E51E7F8147AE8E3DFEF0E9133F4F.ashx>
Also contact WorkSafeBC- their media contact is here: <https://www.worksafebc.com/en/contact-us/departments-and-services/media-government-relations>

Nich Johansen - Castanet (Kelowna)
ISSUE: Ministry rep at event in Okanagan
STATUS: With Program Area

Derek Kilbourn - Gabriola Sounder (Gabriola Island)
ISSUE: Line paint on Gabriola
STATUS: With Program Area

John Boivin - Nelson Daily
ISSUE: Construction on Beasley Bluff, west of Nelson
STATUS: With Program Area

Marshall Whitsed - Mountain FM (Squamish) 107.1
ISSUE: Line painting on provincial highways
STATUS: With Program Area

John Hua - Global TV | BC
ISSUE: Port Mann Bridge Cables
STATUS: With Program Area

Wil Fundal - CBC Radio - Prince George
ISSUE: Unsanctioned road in Penny
STATUS: With Program Area

Dianne St. Jean - Valley Sentinel (Valemount)
ISSUE: Highway 5 traffic between Yellowhead and Valemount
STATUS: With Program Area

Josh Hylden - CFX 1070
ISSUE: Interviewing MTS on CFX tomorrow
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

- MTS will do the interview.

Claudia Goodine - CBC - Vancouver; Jake Costello - CBC Early Edition
ISSUE: Massey Tunnel groundbreaking - interview with Stone
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

- MTS able to do the interview with CBC TV, but not available during the time requested by CBC radio.

Calvin To - CHEK TV - Victoria
ISSUE: Interested in interview for McKenzie Interchange
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

- Janelle Erwin, Deputy Regional Director, will field interview.

FOIs of Note

OOP-2015-53502 – Any and all emails sent from Ben Chin and/or Sam Oliphant for the timeframe October 19-22 and October 26-29, 2015

Applicant: Political party

Responsive records include: 588 pages of emails

OOP-2016-63333 – Any and all records related to the planning of the Ahousaht Protocol announcement on August 12, 2016 including all internal correspondence, meeting notes, event proposals, event budgets, and any other documents related to the planning of the event. Date range is January 1, 2016 to August 17, 2016

Applicant: Political party

Responsive records include: 174 pages – event proposal, event itinerary, NR, SN, KMs, QA, Invite, emails related to the event materials

FIN-2017-70971 – The offer of assignment, appointment or employment; Confirmation of assignment, appointment or employment; Appointment letter; Acceptance letter; Contract, Order in Council, ICT agreement and Standards of Conduct letter for British Columbia's special envoy to the United States, David Emerson. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2017 To 03/09/2017)

Applicant: Media

Responsive records include: 39 pages containing a direct award justification form for Emerson Services Ltd., OOP, contract manager Michelle Leamy directly awarded under 'confidential' with a value of \$18,866 per month and STOB coding up to \$320,000, as well as a signed general services agreement

FIN-2017-71029 – A list of all audits and reports, including file number, title, the subject public body if applicable, and date issued, completed by the following areas: the Internal Audit and Advisory Services and the Investigation and Forensic Unit from February 1, 2017 – February 28, 2017.

Applicant: Political party
No records response

OPEN GOVERNMENT POSTINGS:

EGM-2016-65256 - Any records regarding how succession planning and management are done within the Health, Safety and Permitting branch of the ministry, including documents such as workforce planning processes, human resource management plan, succession planning knowledge program, as well as any other policy, program, guideline, directive, code of conduct or any other document that specify processes, guidance, and activities regarding succession management planning. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2016 To 12/23/2016)

Applicant Type: Researcher

Responsive records include: Emails back and forth between MEM staff re: succession planning, meeting invites and government presentations on leadership and succession planning

EGM-2017-70289- A list of the placer mines that have had their reclamation security returned including the mine number, Notice of Work number, release date and security amount. (Date Range for Record Search: From 01/01/2000 To 01/15/2017)

Applicant Type: Business

Responsive records include: List of securities and amounts returned to operators of placer mines. Most in the range of \$1,000-\$3,000

FIN-2016-64169 - A copy of the records disclosed for FOI file EDU-2013-00016.

Applicant Type: Individual

TRA-2017-70639- Copies of all records, documents, emails, correspondence, memos, notices, submissions, agreements, directives and all other materials created, received or issued by the Passenger Transportation Board in any way related to Application 404-16 – Ripe Holdings Inc.

Applicant Type: Law Firm

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STATEMENT

Premier Clark's statement on centennial of Vimy Ridge

VICTORIA - Premier Christy Clark released the following statement in honour of the centennial of Vimy Ridge:

"In the early morning hours of April 9, 1917, after meticulous planning, Canadian soldiers stormed Vimy Ridge. For the first time, all four divisions of the Canadian Expeditionary Force fought together, under the command of a Canadian.

"The objective was to capture strategically important high ground, and they succeeded more than they knew. The battle came to define Canada's newly independent place on the world stage.

"That proud moment came at a terrible cost. More than 10,000 soldiers were killed and wounded in conditions we can scarcely imagine today. British Columbia, which had the highest per-capita enlistment in the young nation, eventually lost more than 6,200 throughout the war - every single one a beloved father, son, brother, or friend.

"To help honour their legacy, the Province is contributing \$350,000 to the Vimy Foundation to support the creation of a Centennial Park at the site of the battle, including the planting of 100 Vimy Oak trees. These trees are direct descendants of acorns collected following the battle, and they will be planted in a circular pattern four deep to represent the four divisions.

"As we honour such great bravery and sacrifice, we should honour the brave men and women of the Canadian Forces, who risk their lives to carry on this proud tradition of service - and keep us all safe.

"We will never forget."

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Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

NEWS RELEASE

B.C. doubles investment in Rocky Mountain Trench

CRANBROOK - The Province has awarded \$110,000 to the Rocky Mountain Trench Natural Resource Society to help restore grasslands and forests in the East Kootenay and Columbia Valley, Bill Bennett, MLA for Kootenay East, announced today on behalf of Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations Steve Thomson.

The funding more than doubles last year's \$52,000 grant and will go toward the restoration of low-elevation grasslands and open forest ecosystems on Crown land from Radium Hot Springs to the U.S. border.

Ecosystem restoration in the province's dry forests involves logging, thinning and slashing excess trees from grassland and previously open forest sites. Once the tree density is reduced, the area can then be carefully burned to replicate natural wildfire and creates the environmental conditions that encourage the growth of native grasses and shrubs.

The Rocky Mountain Trench Natural Resource Society is working with government, forestry companies, First Nations, ranchers, and guide outfitters to restore and maintain 118,500 hectares of rangeland and open forest in the southern Rocky Mountain Trench.

This year, B.C. is investing a total of \$270,000 to ecosystem restoration programs in the Kootenays, Cariboo and Northern B.C.

Quotes:

Bill Bennett, MLA for Kootenay East -

"Not only will the government's investment in the Rocky Mountain Trench Natural Resource Society help restore unique forest and grassland ecosystems, it will also reduce wildfires risk and give local economies and extra boost. It's great work that will have a lasting impact across the Kootenays."

Dan Murphy, coordinator, Rocky Mountain Trench Natural Resource Society -

"The Rocky Mountain Trench Natural Resources Society is a founding member of the Rocky Mountain Trench Ecosystem Restoration Program and has been working proactively since 1997 with many stakeholders to restore and conserve grasslands and open forests in the Rocky Mountain Trench of southeast B.C. The Trench Society thanks the Province for their long-term and ongoing financial and staff support."

Quick Facts:

- * Restored ecosystems help to improve habitat for grassland plants, reduce wildfire risks to neighbouring communities and increase forage for wildlife and livestock.
- * The Province funds restoration work on more than 4,000 hectares of Crown land each year.

Learn More:

Visit the Rocky Mountain Trench Natural Resource Society website:

<http://www.trenchsociety.com/funders.php>

Find out more about the Visit the Rocky Mountain Trench Ecosystem Restoration Program: <http://trencher.com/about/partners/>

Find out more about B.C.'s ecosystem restoration program:

<http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/esd/documents/EcosystemsProgramPlan.pdf>

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Ministry of International Trade

NEWS RELEASE

B.C. invests \$7.7 million to advance wood use and grow global markets

VANCOUVER - The Government of British Columbia is investing \$7.7 million to promote the use of B.C. wood, advance wood building systems and products, and expand global markets, Premier Christy Clark announced at the Council of Forest Industries annual convention today.

Premier Christy Clark made the announcement in her keynote speech, which spoke to government's actions on the softwood lumber file. Diversifying markets and reducing reliance on the United States market continues to be a key part of government's strategy to keep B.C.'s forest sector strong.

"Forestry will always play a crucial role in communities throughout B.C.," said Premier Clark. "By growing international demand, we are decreasing our reliance on a single market, creating more opportunity, and supporting the tens of thousands of British Columbians who rely on forestry."

The annual funding is being made available to 14 different industry trade associations and research institutes that deliver market development programs on behalf of government and industry. B.C.'s contribution is being managed through Forestry Innovation Investment, the Province's market development agency for forest products.

"Over 90% of B.C.'s forest products are exported, making international trade vital to the success of the forest economy," said Minister of International Trade Teresa Wat. "Market development and diversification not only safeguard against global uncertainties, but also create new, higher-value opportunities for B.C. producers."

Of the \$7.7 million, \$5.9 million will be made available for activities targeted at expanding markets for B.C.'s wood products, with investment priorities that reflect evolving market opportunities in Asia and North America. The remaining \$1.8 million will be made available for activities delivered through the Wood First program, which fosters the innovative use of wood and wood building systems in B.C. through research, education, marketing and capacity building.

Advancing wood use and growing international markets is a collaborative effort. The Province will cost-share these activities, with additional funding being provided by industry and the federal government through Natural Resources Canada.

"B.C. is internationally recognized as a leader in sustainable forest management," said Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations Steve Thomson. "As the benefits of building with wood become more widely recognized - including its lower carbon footprint, its cost-effectiveness and its versatility - our reputation will continue to position us as a preferred supplier of environmentally friendly forest products."

Building international markets for B.C.'s natural resources is a component of the BC Jobs Plan. The B.C. forest sector employs more than 60,000 British Columbians and supports over 7,000 businesses.

"A strong forest sector requires the co-operation of industry and government," said Susan Yurkovich, president and CEO, Council of Forest Industries. "Given the current challenges we face, the importance of working together to diversify offshore markets for B.C. forest products has never been greater."

Quick Facts:

* In 2016, B.C. exported \$13.9 billion in forest products (lumber, pulp and paper and other wood products), which represented 35% of B.C.'s total exports.

* Canada is the international leader in sustainable forest management certification with B.C. contributing more than any other province.

* Wood products from the Province's sustainably managed forests help tackle climate change by being a renewable building material and a means to store carbon.

Learn More:

"Taking a Stand: United Action on B.C. Softwood Lumber" connects B.C. companies and communities with international opportunities and promotes our competitive advantages to investors and decision-makers around the globe:
www.gov.bc.ca/softwoodlumber

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The BC Jobs Plan: <http://engage.gov.bc.ca/bcjobsplan/>

Forestry Innovation Investment is the province's market development agency for forest products:
www.bcfii.ca

A comprehensive information resource featuring the facts and science about wood species, sustainable forests, product manufacturing and building innovations in British Columbia: www.naturallywood.com

A backgrounder follows with the list of trade associations and research institutes receiving funding.

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BACKGROUNDER

Trade associations and research institutes receiving funding

Funding is delivered by the Province through Forestry Innovation Investment Ltd.

Funds are allocated through an annual competition process that reflects the priorities of the B.C. government and the forest sector.

BC Wood Specialties Group - \$1.08 million

* Educate and train architects, engineers, interior designers and construction professionals on available B.C. wood products and their applications through a variety of educational events, such as lunch-and-learn sessions, group seminars and factory tours.

* Promote building products and systems, as well as the benefits of wood in construction and design, with value-added forest products companies at trade events.

* Increase competitiveness, innovation and adaptability of individual value-added wood companies by improving their marketing and business development capability through assessments, site visits, workshops and business development projects.

* Pursue niche opportunities for value added wood products at high impact trade events in the United States and Canada.

* Bring together B.C. and Canadian value-added wood products manufacturers with pre-qualified international buyers and specifiers at the 2017 Global Buyers Mission in Whistler.

* Open doors for market opportunities and increase sales in China, Japan, South Korea, Mexico and Europe.

Canada Wood Group - \$3.26 million

* In China: pursue innovative uses of B.C. products for wood in construction and wood in manufacturing by addressing code constraints and providing training and quality support.

* In Japan: develop innovative solutions to expand the use of lumber and panel products in large scale buildings.

* In South Korea: continue wood-frame design and construction training to support innovative building solutions for larger scale developments, including multi-family structures and infill walls.

* Expand the B.C. forest products sector's global reach with market access and -development teams in China, Japan, Korea, Europe and India.

* Respond to global phytosanitary barriers to trade and product-acceptance issues for B.C. wood products.

Canadian Wood Council- \$535,000

* Provide technical support and advice to address wood performance attributes in multi-family, multi-storey and non-residential projects.

* Convey practical wood design solutions through educational events.

* Communicate sound wood construction practices.

* Support building and fire code changes that address the use of wood.

* Broaden wood design awareness through a wood awards program.

Cedar Shake and Shingle Association - \$125,000

* Encourage the use of cedar roofing and sidewall shakes and shingles as a product of choice among specifiers in the United States with a multifaceted education and marketing campaign.

Coast Forest Products Association - \$108,000

* In Japan: promote the use of B.C. Coast Species for innovative hybrid solutions for multi-unit, institutional and other non-residential buildings

* In China: increase awareness, technical knowledge of B.C. coastal species and create demand in a wide range of manufacturing applications.

FPIInnovations - \$217,000

* Improve entrepreneurial skills of small- to medium-size wood product manufacturers by improving their capacity to adopt new manufacturing technologies and develop new products through technology transfer projects, technical assessments, workshops, webinars and face-to-face outreach activities.

* Research mitigation of construction moisture risks in mass timber systems.

University of British Columbia - \$465,000

* Support value-added manufacturers in their development of new products through design, engineering, prototyping, testing and cost/benefit analyses.

* Foster collaboration between manufacturers and industrial designers in various subsectors of the value-added wood industry through organizing a series of networking meetings.

- * Explore and convey advanced wood processing solutions, such as industrial robotics and mixed reality wood fabrication, through educational programs.
- * Research and document the full construction process of UBC's Brock Commons Tallwood House student residence.

University of Northern British Columbia - \$160,000

- * Conduct research to prepare ductile connection details for use in mass timber structures in seismically active regions.
- * Investigate the performance of timber concrete composite floor systems.
- * Research the optimal configuration of mass timber and tall wood building hold-down connectors.
- * Convey advanced wood processing and building design solutions through educational programs and events.

Council of Forest Industries - \$254,000

- * In China: open doors for existing applications and innovate new applications for B.C. forest products, such as energy-efficient wood wall systems and tourism-oriented structures.
- * In Japan: expand opportunities for SPF lumber by promoting wood-frame and hybrid construction in the non-residential sector and in large-scale buildings.
- * In South Korea: grow the use of SPF lumber in multi-storey / multi-unit buildings, and for infill wall systems.

Engineered Wood Products Association (APA) - \$45,000

- * Create new opportunities and demand for B.C structural panels and engineered wood products in large-scale non-residential construction in Japan with a diversified promotional and educational program for Japanese specifiers.

Western Red Cedar Lumber Association - \$1.01 million

- * Increase market awareness and improve Western Red Cedar's value proposition with an integrated comprehensive program of marketing, communication, education and outreach efforts.

Wood Pellet Association of Canada - \$90,000

- * In Europe: communicate sustainability of B.C. wood pellets to the power generation and heating sectors, and improve the regulatory environment for wood pellets.
- * In Japan: identify new customers for industrial wood pellets and increase the amount of volume under long term sales contracts.
- * In Canada: position wood pellets in the power and heat sectors as a viable biomass alternative for coal in the effort to mitigate the impacts of climate change.

Wood Products Council - \$445,000

- * Work toward shifts in the U.S. design and builder community that result in greater wood use in non-residential and multi-unit construction projects.

- * Provide technical advice, education, and support in order to drive demand and support the specification of wood in midrise and mass timber structures.

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Ministry of Environment

INFORMATION BULLETIN

Long-term water management plan approved for Mount Polley

WILLIAMS LAKE - The long-term water management plan for the Mount Polley mine site has been approved by an independent statutory-decision maker from the Ministry of Environment.

The long-term water management plan is expected to be fully in place by fall 2017 and will replace the short-term water management plan that has been in place since Nov. 30, 2015.

Mount Polley Mining Corporation submitted its formal permit amendment application which included the long-term water management plan, and supporting Technical Assessment Report in October 2016. The documents were subject to extensive public consultation, including First Nations and local communities. The application also underwent a full technical review from the Cariboo Mine Development Review Committee (CMDRC) which includes representatives from provincial and federal agencies, First Nations, local governments (City of Williams Lake and Cariboo Regional District), and the community of Likely.

Mount Polley's permit amendment application and supporting Technical Assessment Report can be found at: <http://ow.ly/i1nM30aFIZh>

The statutory decision-maker takes into account all comments and feedback received when making a final decision on a permit application and may incorporate certain conditions into the permit accordingly. The complete reasons for decision can be found at: <http://ow.ly/xXiF30aFugC>

An infographic of how water will be treated and an overview diagram of the mine site are available at: <http://ow.ly/qeCL30aFupP>

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Ministry of Health

NEWS RELEASE

Funding enhances palliative and hospice supports

PORT COQUITLAM - The Province is providing \$1.746 million for palliative and hospice care in British Columbia to support patients and caregivers.

"The end-of-life journey touches each of us at some point," said Port Moody-Coquitlam MLA Linda Reimer, on behalf of Health Minister Terry Lake. "The Province understands that patients and loved ones need to be supported during an emotional time and today's announcement will help strengthen hospice and palliative services in communities around British Columbia."

Funding will support hospice and palliative locations in British Columbia and be used for patient care quality and caregiver support; patient and health-care worker safety; education, tools and resources; improved continuity of patient care and, equipment to support delivery of patient care. Examples include renovating patient treatment spaces and purchasing new equipment, such as a transport van.

"BC Hospice Palliative Care Association is very grateful to the Province and the Ministry of Health for this latest investment in hospice palliative care," said Lorraine Gerard, BC Hospice Palliative Care Association executive director. "Some of BCHPCA's organizational members - not-for-profit societies that operate residential hospices - have received funding directly and other member hospice societies are affiliated with the publicly operated palliative-care programs that are receiving funding. With an aging population, quality, responsive hospice palliative care will need to be supported and available in all settings, not only hospital palliative-care units and residential hospices but in long term care facilities and where most people would say they would prefer to die - at home."

This investment builds on an announcement in January 2017 of \$7.125 million from the Province to create new hospice beds in communities around British Columbia and make improvements to current spaces as well as supporting best practices in the palliative approach to care as well as advance care planning, working through the BC Centre for Palliative Care.

In addition, the Province provided \$4 million in February 2017 to Canuck Place Children's Hospice for pediatric, palliative medical care and to support children and families in British Columbia.

Learn More:

For a photo of MLA Reimer at Crossroads Hospice Society in Port Coquitlam, please visit:
<https://flic.kr/p/SnDCQM>

To learn more about supports offered by the Province for end-of-life care, visit:
<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/accessing-health-care/home-community-care/care-options-and-cost/end-of-life-care>

More information on the BC Hospice Palliative Care Association can be found at: <https://bchpca.org/>

More information on the BC Centre for Palliative Care: www.bc-cpc.ca

To learn more about My Voice, a provincial guide for advance care planning, visit:
<http://www.health.gov.bc.ca/library/publications/year/2013/MyVoice-AdvanceCarePlanningGuide.pdf>

A backgrounder follows.

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BACKGROUND

The following hospice and palliative care locations are receiving funding

Fraser Health:

Each of the hospice facilities listed below have been allocated \$25,000. Those with a * indicate health-authority operated:

- * Abbotsford Regional Hospital*
- * Burnaby Hospital*
- * Christine Morrison Hospice - Mission Hospital*
- * Crossroads Inlet Centre Hospice - Port Coquitlam*
- * Fraser Canyon Hospital - Hope*
- * Holmberg House - Abbotsford*
- * Langley Hospice - Langley Hospital*
- * Laurel Place - Surrey*
- * McKenney Creek Hospice - Maple Ridge*
- * Peace Arch Hospital*

- * Surrey Memorial Hospital*
- * St. Michael's Centre to support St. Michael's Care Centre Hospice - Burnaby
- * Delta Hospice Society to support Irene Thomas Hospice
- * Sienna-Baltic (Cascades) Inc. to support Cascades Lodge - Chilliwack

Interior Health:

Each of the hospice facilities listed below have been allocated \$25,000. Those with a * indicate health-authority operated:

- * Brookhaven Care Centre - Kelowna*
- * Central Okanagan Hospice House - Kelowna*
- * Kelowna General Hospital*
- * Moog and Friends Hospice House - Penticton*
- * Overlander Residential Care - Kamloops*
- * Royal Inland Hospital*
- * Shuswap Lake General Hospital - Salmon Arm*
- * Kamloops Hospice Association to support Marjorie Willoughby Snowden Hospice
- * North Okanagan Hospice Society to support North Okanagan Hospice House - Vernon

Island Health:

Each of the hospice facilities listed below have been allocated \$25,000. Those with a * indicate health-authority operated:

- * Chemainus Health Care Centre*
- * Nanaimo Regional General Hospital*
- * Saanich Peninsula Hospital*
- * Trillium Lodge - Parksville*
- * Yucalta Lodge - Campbell River*
- * Alberni Valley Hospice Society to support Ty Watson House - Port Alberni
- * Park Place Seniors Living Inc. to support the Lodge on 4th - Ladysmith

- * Sooke Elderly Citizens Housing Society to support Ayre Manor
- * St. Joseph's General Hospital to support the Views Lodge (Hospice at the Views) - Comox
- * Victoria Hospice Society to support the Victoria Hospice at Royal Jubilee Hospital

Northern Health:

Each of the hospice facilities listed below have been allocated \$25,000. Those with a * indicate health-authority operated:

- * Acropolis Manor - Prince Rupert*
- * Bulkley Lodge - Smithers*
- * Bulkley Valley District Hospital - Smithers*
- * Chetwynd Hospital and Health Centre*
- * Dunrovin Park Lodge - Quesnel*
- * Fort Nelson Hospital*
- * Fort St. John Hospital*
- * Haida Gwaii Hospital and Health Centre - Xaayda Gwaay NgaaysdII Naay*
- * Northern Haida Gwaii Hospital and Health Centre*
- * Kitimat General Hospital and Health Centre*
- * Mackenzie and District Hospital and Health Centre*
- * McBride and District Hospital*
- * Prince Rupert Regional Hospital*
- * Queen Charlotte Islands General Hospital*
- * Rotary Manor - Dawson Creek*
- * Stuart Lake Hospital - Fort St. James*
- * Terraceview Lodge - Terrace*
- * Prince George Hospice Society to support Rotary Hospice House

Vancouver Coastal Health:

Each of the hospice facilities listed below have been allocated \$25,000. Those with a * indicate health-authority operated:

- * Bella Coola General Hospital*
- * Lions Gate Hospital*
- * North Shore Hospice*
- * Richmond General Hospital*
- * Shorncliffe Residential Care Facility - Sechelt*
- * Vancouver General Hospital*
- * Salvation Army Rotary Hospice House to support the Rotary Hospice House - Richmond
- * The Bloom Group (\$50,000) to support:
- * St. James Cottage Hospice - Vancouver
- * May Gutteridge Hospice (May's Place) - Vancouver
- * Providence Health Care (\$50,000) to support:
- * St. John Hospice - Vancouver
- * St. Paul's Hospital Palliative Care Unit

In addition, the following service providers will receive funding to support hospices:

- * Crossroads Hospice Society (\$50,000) to support its project to acquire equipment and renovate its patient treatment space.
- * Oceanside Hospice Society (\$50,000) to purchase new equipment and a transport van.
- * Surrey Hospice Society (\$50,000) to complete renovations to its Resource Centre space to facilitate sound-proof counselling spaces for privacy protection and respect for clients, and purchase tools and equipment needed for the children's grief resource centre.
- * Vancouver Hospice Society (\$71,000) to renovate and expand the society's space to improve patient care.

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Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

NEWS RELEASE
B.C. seeds northern B.C. ecosystem restoration

PRINCE GEORGE - The Province has awarded \$100,000 to the Society for Ecosystem Restoration in north-central B.C. to help rejuvenate damaged ecosystems in the North, Mike Morris, MLA for Prince George-Mackenzie, and Shirley Bond, MLA for Prince George-Valemount announced today.

The funding will help the society identify, treat and monitor up to 3,000 hectares of vulnerable and degraded ecosystems in the region.

The society includes representatives from government, the University of Northern British Columbia, the College of New Caledonia, ranchers, guide outfitters, trappers and conservation organizations.

This year, B.C. is investing a total of \$270,000 to ecosystem restoration programs in the Kootenays, Cariboo and Northern B.C.

Quotes:

Shirley Bond, MLA for Prince George-Valemount -

"B.C. is home to many unique ecosystems and I'm proud that this government is helping organizations like the Society for Ecosystem Restoration in north-central B.C. manage and conserve our these special areas."

Mike Morris, MLA for Prince George-Mackenzie -

"The Province is really stepping up to the plate with a major investment that will not only help restore damaged ecosystems, but create jobs for a number of people in the region. It's an important step that will have a long-lasting impact on the North."

John DeGagne, president, Society for Ecosystem Restoration (SERNbc) -

"SERNbc is very appreciative of this ecosystem restoration grant. It allows us to continue the important work on priority ecosystem in northern B.C."

Quick Facts:

- * Restored ecosystems help to improve habitat for grassland plants, reduce wildfire risks to neighbouring communities and increase forage for wildlife and livestock.
- * The Province funds restoration work on more than 4,000 hectares of Crown land each year.

Learn More:

- * Visit the Society for Ecosystem Restoration in North Central B.C. website, <http://sernbc.ca/index.html>
- * Read about B.C.'s ecosystem restoration program, Find out more about B.C.'s ecosystem restoration program, <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/esd/documents/EcosystemsProgramPlan.pdf>

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Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation

NEWS RELEASE

B.C. business leaders join forces on inclusive employment

VICTORIA - Twenty-three of British Columbia's top business leaders have come together to achieve one common goal - to support and encourage meaningful employment opportunities for people with disabilities throughout the province.

With close to one million job openings expected in B.C. over the next decade, people with disabilities - 334,000 British Columbians, aged 15 to 64 - represent an important employee talent pool.

The Presidents Group, a change-driven network of business leaders, was appointed in 2013 to help increase employment opportunities for people with disabilities and create a more accessible consumer marketplace. To further support the goals of the group, 11 new members came on board today, bringing the total number of members to 23 highly-regarded B.C. business leaders.

Members work with the business community to encourage employers in a number of different sectors to hire more people with disabilities and commit to sharing their collective learnings on the recruitment, hiring and retention of employees with disabilities with other employers.

To support the work of the Presidents Group and help identify potential solutions to help employers to hire and retain qualified employees with disabilities, two Accessibility and Inclusion Consultants have been hired, funded through the Vancouver Foundation.

The consultants - Marco Pasqua and Mahin Rashid - will work with the business and disability communities to research, pilot and develop a toolkit of resources, approaches and processes that support increased success rates in the recruitment, hiring and employment of people with disabilities in B.C. The work of the consultants will help employers to better identify and eliminate barriers and make positive changes to make their workplace more accessible and inclusive.

The Presidents Group is part of the Accessibility 2024 Leadership Team, working with government and the disability community to deliver on Accessibility 2024, B.C.'s 10-year action plan to become the most progressive province for people with disabilities in Canada.

Quotes:

Michelle Stilwell, Minister of Social Development and Social Innovation -

"Since 2013, the Presidents Group has created a strong foundation of leadership and direction when it comes to improving employment opportunities and outcomes for people with disabilities. The expansion of the group is great news for businesses and employers, as well as people with disabilities in B.C. who want to work as they are able."

Tamara Vrooman, president and CEO, Vancity, Presidents Group co-chair -

"Creating accessible and inclusive workplaces is not only the right thing to do, it also makes good business sense. We're working hard to create a diverse workplace at Vancity that reflects our communities and it's exciting to work with other business leaders who share that commitment to accessibility."

Craig Richmond, president and CEO, Vancouver Airport Authority, Presidents Group co-chair -

"One of our top priorities at YVR is providing an accessible airport for everyone - including our employees with disabilities. It's an honour to bring my experiences at YVR to contribute to Presidents Group and effect real change, and I welcome the insights and experiences of the new Presidents Group members as we move forward with supporting B.C. businesses to be more diverse and inclusive."

Quick Facts:

- * The unemployment rate for people with disabilities is 4.5 percentage points higher than for people without disabilities - 11.6% vs. 7.1% - despite the fact that people with disabilities are highly educated, with skills that are comparable to people without a disability.

- * It is well documented that workers with disabilities perform just as well or better than their co-workers in punctuality, attendance, work quality, task consistency and overall proficiency.

- * The Accessibility 2024 action plan, released in June 2014, is in response to the thousands of British Columbians who took part in a public consultation on what society can do to reduce barriers and increase accessibility for people with disabilities.

- * The creation of the Presidents Group arose from a recommendation from the Minister's Council on Employment and Accessibility and also aligns with outcomes resulting in the feedback received from the public consultation on disability held in B.C. from December 2013 to March 2014.

- * In 2014, to celebrate inclusive employers and the contributions of people with disabilities in the workplace, government proclaimed September as annual Disability Employment Month throughout the province.

- * Employment achievements to date include:

- * In 2015, government launched the Technology@Work assistive technology program - operated by the Neil Squire Society - to give people streamlined access to tools and devices they need for employment. As part of Accessibility 2024, the Province has committed \$9 million over three years for the program. To date, 494 clients have worked through the Needs Determination process. Of these, 346 clients have already received assistive technology through the program;

* The WorkAble internship program for new graduates with disabilities to enter the B.C. Public Service is well into its second year, with 75% percent of first year interns still working for the public service.

* Since 2014, more than \$4 million has been invested to implement innovative post-secondary training aimed at increasing the success of people with disabilities in trades, technical and high-demand market programs such as entry level construction.

* According to the 2012 Canadian Survey on Disability, approximately half of these persons are employed. There are 84 WorkBC Service Centres throughout the province delivering the Employment Program of BC, including a range of supports and services to help people with disabilities find employment. More than 27,800 British Columbians with disabilities have found a job through WorkBC. To view the 2012 Canadian Survey on Disability, visit: <http://ow.ly/ITfJ30aDclK>

* Almost 90% of consumers prefer companies that employ people with disabilities, according to a study cited in a 2012 Conference Board report. To view the report, visit: <http://ow.ly/uX3c30aDcWR>

Learn More:

Accessibility 2024: www.gov.bc.ca/accessibility

The Presidents Group: <http://ow.ly/Azma30acMCK>

Minister's Council on Employment and Accessibility: <http://ow.ly/CjgJ30acMTd>

A backgrounder follows.

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BACKGROUNDER

Twenty-three members make up the Presidents Group

The Presidents Group includes the follow 23 influential business leaders from throughout British Columbia:

* Tamara Vrooman, president and CEO, Vancity (co-chair)

* Craig Richmond, president and CEO, Vancouver Airport Authority (co-chair)

* Lisa Beecroft, owner, Gabi & Jules Handmade Pies & Baked Goods *

* Mark Blucher, president and CEO, ICBC

* Mark Brand, restaurateur and social innovator

* Dan Bregg, president, Buy-Low Foods LP (a Jim Pattison Group company) *

- * Zdenka Buric, managing partner, NATIONAL Public Relations *
- * Robin Ciceri, president, Research Universities' Council of BC
- * Lindsay Gordon, past president and CEO, HSBC
- * Jan K. Grude, president & CEO, Pacific Blue Cross *
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- * Fiona Macfarlane, managing partner, Ernst and Young
- * Jessica McDonald, president & CEO, BC Hydro *
- * Rocky Ozaki, vice-president, BC Tech Association *
- * Shom Sen, president & CEO, British Columbia Automobile Association *
- * Robin Silvester, president & CEO, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority *
- * Kirsten Sutton, managing director, SAP Labs Canada
- * Marilyn Tyfting, senior vice-president and chief corporate officer, TELUS International
- * Marsha Walden, CEO, Destination British Columbia
- * Elizabeth Watson, QC, founder, WATSON
- * New Presidents Group members

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INFORMATION BULLETIN

B.C., Tsartlip First Nation sign interim reconciliation agreement

VICTORIA - The Province of British Columbia and the Tsartlip First Nation have reached an interim reconciliation agreement, setting the stage for comprehensive reconciliation negotiations over the next two years.

Key elements include:

Consultation processes

The Province will provide \$100,000 to Tsartlip over two years, to enhance Tsartlip permitting referral capacity and processes.

Tsartlip First Nation history and culture

The Province will provide \$20,000 to Tsartlip to consult Elders, explore potential joint applications to change and/or add official place names through BC Geographical Names Office and develop a community cultural recognition strategy.

Heritage Protection

The Province will provide the First Nation with \$25,000 to support negotiations concerning heritage protection, and help the Nation complete an inventory of heritage sites and objects of spiritual, ceremonial or cultural value.

Park Management Plans

The Province and the Tsartlip will discuss Tsartlip interests, culture and history related to the park management plans for Gowlland Tod Provincial Park and Goldstream Provincial Park.

Environmental co-operation and wildlife

The Province, Tsartlip and other interested parties, will review standard foreshore leases and permit conditions within Saanich Inlet with the goal of promoting best boat-waste management practices.

Representatives of the federal government and other interested parties will also be invited to discuss strategies to address derelict boats and protect the waters of Saanich Inlet.

B.C. and Tsartlip also will seek to develop a communication protocol between the Conservation Officer Service and the Nation.

Tsartlip Economic Interests

The B.C. government and the Tsartlip First Nation have agreed to discuss the Nation's interests in acquiring lands, acquiring water lot leases in the Saanich Inlet, and acquiring a park-use permit for a portion of Gowlland Tod Provincial Park.

Learn More:

Tsartlip First Nation: <http://tsartlip.com/>

Tsartlip Interim Reconciliation Agreement: <http://ow.ly/qnd430aDazz>

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NEWS RELEASE

Province, Musqueam agree to collaborate on stewardship

VANCOUVER - The signing of a new collaborative management agreement between the Province and Musqueam Indian Band has strengthened their government-to-government relationship and will result in more effective decision-making on land and water authorizations and stewardship in the estuary and lower reaches of the Fraser River.

The agreement includes a framework that will guide land and water authorizations through improved engagement between Musqueam Indian Band and the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, including a component addressing resource stewardship measures. These measures are a key focus of the agreement and will be defined through joint work planning and reporting.

Possible stewardship initiatives may include:

- * Updating best management practices;
- * Commissioning research;
- * Developing and communicating stewardship recommendations;
- * Monitoring in support of compliance and enforcement; and
- * Rehabilitation measures, where the need is jointly identified.

A stewardship forum is also anticipated to be established to support input and participation with stakeholders and co-ordinate stewardship initiatives with other First Nations.

On Jan. 1, 2015, administration of head leases held by the Port of Vancouver on management of the foreshore of the lower reaches of the Fraser River reverted to the Province. As an interim measure, the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations issued two-year tenures to approximately 290 existing tenure holders while completing First Nation consultation. These are known as the Fraser River transition area tenures.

The collaborative management agreement builds on consultation done to date on the Fraser River transition area tenures. It has paved the way for enhanced consultation within Musqueam's traditional territory, will increase certainty by allowing for the issuing of longer-term tenures for tenure holders - where appropriate, and advances the Province's reconciliation efforts with Musqueam Indian Band.

Quotes:

Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations -

"The Province is continually looking at how we can leave a strong legacy of environmental sustainability for our children and grandchildren. We look forward to working with the Musqueam to enhance local land and water stewardship in their traditional territory."

John Rustad, Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation -

"This collaborative management agreement builds on the government-to-government relationship that we have established with the Musqueam and advances our collective efforts towards reconciliation."

Chief Wayne Sparrow, Musqueam Indian Band -

"We have been stewards of the natural resources on the lower Fraser River for time immemorial. We look forward to strengthening our government-to-government relationship with the Province and working with them to ensure we are taking a sustainable approach to stewardship of the resources in our traditional territory."

Quick Facts:

- * The Fraser River, especially in the estuary, is one of the most globally important rivers for salmon.
- * The Fraser River and its lower reaches is an important economic and transportation hub for B.C. and Canada, contributing more than \$4 billion in GDP in 2014.
- * An urban settlement of approximately two million people is concentrated around the estuary and lower Fraser and is anticipated to grow in coming years.
- * The Fraser estuary is an ecologically significant ecosystem that is part of the Pacific Fly Way for migratory birds, key habitat for endangered white sturgeon, eulachon and other fish.

Learn More:

Musqueam Indian Band: <http://www.musqueam.bc.ca>

Fraser River Transition Area tenures:

<https://www.arcgis.com/home/item.html?id=4a0ed943316844018002e42489706eb4>

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NEWS RELEASE

Mapping their contribution - Province proclaims Sikh Heritage Month and recognizes South Asian historic places

SURREY - As part of the celebrations and proclamation today of April as Sikh Heritage Month, Premier Christy Clark announced today that 15 South Asian historic places are being added to British Columbia's Register of Historic Places.

The recognition celebrates B.C.'s diversity and multiculturalism and the significance of British Columbians of South Asian descent and their contribution to the province.

"We celebrate our diversity in British Columbia, because we know it's our greatest strength. Now more than ever - we need to continue being an example for the world," said Premier Clark. "There are communities in every corner of our province that British Columbians of South Asian descent have left their mark on, enriching us all."

"I am pleased that we have been able to identify Historic Places that show the important contribution of South Asian Canadians to the development of B.C.," mentioned Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations.

In 2016, a public nomination process began and included an evaluation by sector and community experts. As a result, a total of 24 eligible places were nominated by British Columbians and 15 of those are now being provincially recognized for their high significance to South Asian Canadian history in British Columbia. Heritage BC was engaged to administer the nomination process and create an interactive map that features all 24 eligible nominated sites with expanded documentation for the 15 historic places, available online: <https://secure.heritagebc.ca/maps/>

The list paints a rich picture of the contributions that South Asian Canadians have made to the development and prosperity of B.C. since the mid-19th century.

"This project gives all British Columbians an opportunity to see B.C. places from the South Asian Canadian perspective, helping preserve, explore and share our province's multicultural heritage," said Royal BC

Museum chief operating officer and deputy CEO Angela Williams. "The Royal BC Museum looks forward to sharing stories about these places and their historical significance."

Some of the recognized sites include:

* Punjabi Market, Vancouver - a collection of small businesses and stores, which historically have catered to the Punjabi community, this historic location illustrates the evolution and development of South Asian businesses following their initial involvement with the B.C.'s lumber industry. The Punjabi Market was thriving in the 1970s when a large influx of Punjabi people settled in South Vancouver and became inextricably woven into the city's cultural fabric. It is also one of the gathering spots during Vaisakhi.

* Golden Sikh Temple, Golden - One of the earliest Sikh temples in B.C., though no longer standing, the gurdwara's significance is recognized in its original location. The temple was far outside the Lower Mainland, and demonstrates early Sikhs had settled into B.C.'s southeast region. The gurdwara was a place where people practised their faith, socialized with others of the same faith and received the emotional support they needed to work and live so far from their homeland.

* Topaz Street Sikh Gurdwara, Victoria - Originally established in 1912 followed by the construction of a new building in 1969, this historic place was built by pioneers of the community, who faced many hardships in their journeys to British Columbia. It served free meals and was a place for new immigrants to connect with the community.

"South Asian century old history in B.C. is replete with province wide personal travels, subsequent settlements and socio-cultural investments in community spaces," noted Advisory Committee member, and Director, Centre for Indo Canadian Studies at the University of the Fraser Valley, Satwinder Bains. "A recognition of our unique and rich history is a significant milestone in British Columbia's historical trajectory of purposeful inclusion and acceptance of the impacts by diverse communities on our province."

"All individuals need to feel included and a part of society. To date South Asian history in British Columbia has not been systematically documented from our South Asian perspective," added South Asian Canadian Historic Places Project Evaluation Team member, Dr. Balbir Gurm. "The South Asian Historic Places Project helps us recognize the physical spaces that are historically significant to our community. This is a step in recognizing the many diverse groups and more specifically those of South Asian heritage who are a part of British Columbia's history. I am thrilled to be a part of this important work."

This is a milestone in the Provincial Recognition Program's South Asian Historic Places Project. It marks the completion of a project designed to identify historic places and culturally important locations to help South Asian Canadians, and all British Columbians, honour this cultural history in perpetuity.

Quick Facts:

* The B.C. Register of Historic Places lists more than 3,400 historic places that have been formally recognized or protected by the province or a local government.

* One-quarter of people in B.C. are self-identified visible minorities, and 7.2% identify as South Asian Canadians.

* B.C. is the most ethnically diverse province in Canada and welcomes nearly 40,000 new immigrants as permanent residents every year.

Learn More:

Proclamation of Sikh Heritage Month:

<http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/proclamations/proclamations/SikhHeritageMnth2017>

Additional information about formal registration and designation is available at:

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/celebrating-british-columbia/historic-places> or at

<http://heritagebc.ca/south-asian-canadian-historic-places>

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BACKGROUNDER
Historic recognition process

Heritage BC, a not-for-profit, charitable organization, was contracted to administer the public nomination process for South Asian historic places. Its mandate is to support heritage conservation through advocacy, training and skills development, capacity-building in heritage planning and funding through the Heritage Legacy Fund.

Overall, 35 submissions representing 26 places to be considered for recognition, of which 15 have been recognized.

An evaluation team made up of community members, historians and others with subject matter expertise recommended 15 of the nominations for recognition under section 18 of the Heritage Conservation Act. This form of recognition is purely commemorative, acknowledging the values associated with the historic places nominated by members of the public.

The 15 sites are:

- * Akali Singh Sikh Temple, Vancouver
- * Burrard Inlet - Coal Harbour, Vancouver
- * Mahal Cranberry Farm, Richmond
- * Golden Sikh Temple, Golden

- * Gur Sikh Temple, Abbotsford
- * Guru Nanak Mining & Trust Co. - Commercial Building, Vancouver
- * Joginder Bains Park, Lake Cowichan
- * Kapoor, Sooke Lake
- * Khalsa Diwan Society Gurdwara, Vancouver
- * Paldi, Vancouver Island
- * Punjabi Market, Vancouver
- * Simcoe Park, New Westminster
- * Tod Inlet, Vancouver Island
- * Topaz Street Sikh Gurdwara, Victoria
- * Youbou Mill, Lake Cowichan

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Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

STATEMENT

New taxi licences a much-needed addition to taxi service in Vancouver

VICTORIA - Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Todd Stone, has issued the following statement today regarding the recent Passenger Transportation Board decision to approve 175 additional vehicles for Vancouver taxi companies:

"I was very pleased to receive the news today that the Passenger Transportation Board has approved the request by five Vancouver taxi companies to add 175 new vehicles, including 26 wheelchair accessible taxis, to Vancouver's taxi fleet.

"These new vehicles will go a long way to meet some of the current demand for passenger-directed vehicles and will help reduce the 45-minute wait times customers experience now. With the busy tourist season approaching, this decision will mean that more customers will be better able to access the many amenities and sights Vancouver and surrounding area has to offer.

"As the Province continues to develop the framework to create a level playing field for ride sharing to come to B.C. by the end of this year, it is now time for the City of Vancouver to move forward and approve these much-needed additional vehicles.

"Once the City of Vancouver's moratorium is lifted, these vehicles would supplement the 38 suburban taxi licenses that have already been approved to operate in Vancouver. The 213 additional vehicles will help address the very real challenges that have been created by this moratorium. It is important to collectively work to meet the needs of residents and visitors who require safe, accessible and reliable taxi service in this city.

"Again, I would like to thank the Passenger Transportation Board for its work in considering these applications and for rendering their decision."

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Ministry of Energy and Mines

NEWS RELEASE
Mount Polley long-term water management plan approved

WILLIAMS LAKE - The approval of the long-term water management plan for Mount Polley means the mine can continue to operate providing 350 well-paying jobs in the region, Minister of Energy and Mines Bill Bennett announced today.

"With the approval of its long-term water management plan, the Mount Polley Mine has met its requirements to government and it can continue operations," Bennett said. "I know this is welcome news for the communities of Likely, Williams Lake, 100 Mile House and the families that depend on the jobs the mine provides."

The long-term water management plan for the Mount Polley mine site was approved today by an independent statutory-decision maker from the Ministry of Environment. It is expected to be fully in place by fall 2017 and will replace the short-term water management plan that has been in place since Nov. 30, 2015.

"Continued operations at Mount Polley Mine means well-paying jobs for the hundreds of individuals employed at the mine and numerous indirect jobs and economic benefits for communities in the Cariboo," said Minister of State for Rural Economic Development and MLA for Cariboo-Chilcotin Donna Barnett. "This mine generates an enormous amount of economic activity that benefits numerous other businesses in our communities - everything from coffee shops, pubs and restaurants to car dealerships, home builders and plumbers."

Prior to approval, the company's permit application underwent extensive public consultation, including First Nations and local communities, as well as a full technical review from the Cariboo Mine Development Review Committee.

"The permit is good news for the employees of Mount Polley," said Paul French, president, USW Local 1-425. "I'm glad that the requirements for the permit were met. I want to thank Minister Barnett for pushing both management of Mount Polley and the government ministries to get the job done correctly."

Learn More:

Mount Polley's permit amendment application and supporting Technical Assessment Report can be found at:
<http://ow.ly/i1nM30aFlZh>

The statutory decision-maker takes into account all comments and feedback received when making a final decision on a permit application and may incorporate certain conditions into the permit accordingly. The complete reasons for decision can be found at: <http://ow.ly/xXjF30aFugC>

An infographic of how water will be treated and an overview diagram of the mine site are available at:
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- Victoria needs citizens, not speculators - Errol Miller - Times Colonist (Victoria) - 08-Apr-2017
- Winds buffet Island, cancel ferries - Times Colonist (Victoria) - 08-Apr-2017
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- An Open Letter to BC's Students and Families - Paid advertisement by FPSE - Globe and Mail - 07-Apr-2017
- B.C. Premier steps back from health-firings controversy - Ian Bailey - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- B.C. bans mandatory high heels at work - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Can money buy a more equal society? Ask George Soros - Doug Saunders - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Canada adds more jobs, but wage growth stalls - Rachelle Younglai - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Canadian free-trade deal a good start, but must go further - Daniel Schwanen - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Clark Liberals are their own worst enemies - Stephen Quinn - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Determined buyers find unlisted condo - Kerry Gold - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Do-something doesn't live here - Fiorenza Hawryluk - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- For PM, it doesn't mean a rush to war, but deciding how far he might go - Campbell Clark - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- From Vimy to Kandahar, all sacrifice is sacred - Rick Hillier - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- How doctors can stop making opioid addicts - Trevor Theman - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Morneau unsure of post-Brexit investing - Paul Waldie - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Old-fashioned values still alive in direct-to-consumer revolution - Harley Finkelstein - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Oyster-borne illness in B.C. a mystery - Ann Hui - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Provincial trade deal will spur economy - Allison Jones - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Quebec Cree's global campaign to save pristine forest bears fruit - Les Perreux - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Softwood dispute to spell pain for Canada - Brent Jang - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Syria strike: Geopolitical victory or a slide into war Americans didn't ask for? - Bessma Momani - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- The battle to capitalize on cannabis - Brenda Bouw - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- The house is sold, but nobody's home - Joe Friesen, Jill Mahoney - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- This is your brain on real estate - Editorial - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Toronto's price shock is Canada's problem - Barrie McKenna, David Parkinson - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Townhouse living - with no fees - Frances Bula - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Trudeau backs U.S. missile attack - Michelle Zilio, Daniel Leblanc - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017

- U.S.-Russia bond at risk after Syria attack - Mark Mackinnon - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Vancouver's most-underrated flavour - Alexandra Gill - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- What can governments do to cool the housing market? - Janet Mcfarland - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- What's the point of Vimy, anyway? - Margaret Wentz - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017
- Wynne reaches out to U.S. governors to win allies against Buy American bill - Jessica Smith Cross - Globe and Mail - 08-Apr-2017

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- A reluctant Trudeau falls in line - John Ivison - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- B.C. bans mandatory high heels on the job - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- Brexit's pluses ignored - Paul Higgins - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
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- How To Cool Toronto's Red-Hot Market - Garry Marr - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- Judge Slams Site That Sold Privacy For Profit - Graeme Hamilton - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- Not Putin's puppet after all - Terry Glavin - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- Special \$10 note aims to instil pride - Terry Pedwell - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- Tanks accompanied troops but had little to do - Stewart Lyon - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- The battle of Vimy Ridge - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- Thousands of full-time positions build on job gains - Andy Blatchford - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- U.S. targeted airstrikes are right response - Editorial - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- World response to U.S. strike - National Post - 08-Apr-2017
- Worse than Somme's most terrible day - Roland Hill - National Post - 08-Apr-2017

• **Metro (Van)**

- 'Border rights for refugees' to Canada flyer issued in 17 languages - David P. Ball - Metro - metronews.ca - 07-Apr-2017
- B.C. government bans mandatory high heels in workplace - Jen St. Denis - Metro - metronews.ca - 07-Apr-2017
- Grim stats paint troubling picture of Vancouver's gentrifying DTES - Jen St. Denis - Metro - metronews.ca - 07-Apr-2017

• **CBC Early Edition**

- Blair - interprovincial trade - CBC Early Edition - CBU (CBC Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Blair - job numbers - CBC Early Edition - CBU (CBC Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Cash - part-time jobs - CBC Early Edition - CBU (CBC Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Hunter/Zussman - OoO report - CBC Early Edition - CBU (CBC Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Preston - child care - CBC Early Edition - CBU (CBC Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Talkback - overhauling child care - CBC Early Edition - CBU (CBC Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017

• **CBC Daybreak Kamloops**

- Greyhound passengers - CBC Daybreak Kamloops - CBYK (CBC Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Hunter/Zussman - OoO report - CBC Daybreak Kamloops - CBYK (CBC Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Ivanova - seniors in poverty - CBC Daybreak Kamloops - CBYK (CBC Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Joyce - Science Fair - CBC Daybreak Kamloops - CBYK (CBC Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Muzio - graffiti solution - CBC Daybreak Kamloops - CBYK (CBC Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017

- **CBC Daybreak North**
- Greyhound bus fire - CBC Daybreak North - CBYG (CBC Prince George) - 07-Apr-2017
- Stevens/Henderson - road dust advisory - CBC Daybreak North - CBYG (CBC Prince George) - 07-Apr-2017
- **CBC Daybreak South**
- Cameron - hospital upgrades - CBC Daybreak South - CBTK (CBC Kelowna) - 07-Apr-2017
- McKay - MV Beattie overcrowding - CBC Daybreak South - CBTK (CBC Kelowna) - 07-Apr-2017
- Utiko - Peachland library - CBC Daybreak South - CBTK (CBC Kelowna) - 07-Apr-2017
- **CBC On the Island**
- Bird - sewage treatment - CBC On the Island - CBCV (CBC Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Panel - OoO report/negative ads - CBC On the Island - CBCV (CBC Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Swait - InTentCity transitional housing - CBC On the Island - CBCV (CBC Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- **CFOX Adam Stirling**
- Lanzinger - part-time, precarious work - CFOX Adam Stirling - CFOX (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Price/Stirling - housing crisis - CFOX Adam Stirling - CFOX (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Stirling/callers - OoO report - CFOX Adam Stirling - CFOX (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
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- **CFOX Mark Brennae**
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- Helps - Victoria housing - CFOX Mark Brennae - CFOX (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Marshall - cancelled ferry sailings - CFOX Mark Brennae - CFOX (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Matulewicz/Graham - high heels workplace - CFOX Mark Brennae - CFOX (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
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- Woodford - Chalke report - CHNL Jim Harrison - CHNL (Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
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- **CHNL Shane Woodford**
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- **CKNW Lynda Steele**
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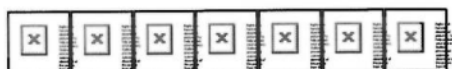
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- Coleman - social housing announcement - Global News: BC 1 - Global News: BC 1 (Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Ferries sailings cancelled - Global News: BC 1 - Global News: BC 1 (Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Mandatory high heels banned in all B.C. workplaces: regulation changed - Global News: BC 1 - Global News: BC 1 (Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Sara - housing markets - Global News: BC 1 - Global News: BC 1 (Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Volunteers to provide baby hugging services at Victoria General Hospital - Global News: BC 1 - Global News: BC 1 (Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- **CHAN (Global BC)**
- Accused predator arrested - Global BC Early News - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- CUPE - Imagine a World with More Paramedics - Paid advertisement from CUPE - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
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- Clark - affordable child care - Global BC Early News - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
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- Marshall - powerful windstorm - Global BC Early News - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
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- McKay - inactive children - Global BC Early News - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
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- Orton - BC jobs/ trade deal/solar energy - Global BC Morning News - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
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- Weaver - dress code requirements - Global BC Early News - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Weaver/Tostenson - dress code requirements - Global BC News Hour - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Windstorm aftermath - Global BC Morning News - CHAN (Global BC - Vancouver) - 08-Apr-2017
- **CBUT (CBC)**
- Bula/Fawcett - Vancouver resilience officer - CBC News Vancouver - CBUT (CBC-TV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Marshall - BC Ferries cancellations/wind warnings - CBC News Vancouver - CBUT (CBC-TV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Mudslide - CBUT (CBC-TV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- **CFJC (Pattison)**
- Affordable housing - CFJC Noon News - CFJC (Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Collins - heavy industry event - CFJC Evening News - CFJC (Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Joneja death review - CFJC Evening News - CFJC (Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Lucier/Hughes - affordable housing funding - CFJC Evening News - CFJC (Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- Michel/Sidow/Brady - aboriginal education - CFJC Evening News - CFJC (Kamloops) - 07-Apr-2017
- **CFTV (Fairchild)**
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- Chalke/Henderson/Horgan - OoO report - CFTV Fairchild Evening News - CFTV (Fairchild TV) - 06-Apr-2017
- Wat/Emerson - Asian Pacific studies - CFTV Fairchild Evening News - CFTV (Fairchild TV) - 06-Apr-2017
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- Gatzke - water quality concerns - CHBC News at 5:00 - CHBC (Kelowna) - 07-Apr-2017
- Larsen - pot & politics - CHBC News at 5:00 - CHBC (Kelowna) - 07-Apr-2017
- Letnick - Kelowna tech facility - CHBC News at 5:00 - CHBC (Kelowna) - 07-Apr-2017
- Psychiatrist assault trial - CHBC News at 5:00 - CHBC (Kelowna) - 07-Apr-2017
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- **CHEK (Ind)**
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- Councillor resigns - CHEK News at Five - CHEK (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- High heels ban - CHEK News at Five - CHEK (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Low barrier housing - CHEK News at Five - CHEK (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Marshall - BC Ferries cancellations/stormy weather - CHEK News at Five - CHEK (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- OoO report - CHEK News at Five - CHEK (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Unemployment rate - CHEK News at Five - CHEK (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Weaver/Prince - minority government - CHEK News at Five - CHEK (Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017

- **CHNM (Omini)**
- BC election debate - OMNI Punjabi - CHNM (OMNI Vancouver) - 06-Apr-2017
- Chernen/Robertson/Coleman/Eby - Vancouver land deal - OMNI Punjabi - CHNM (OMNI Vancouver) - 06-Apr-2017
- Helps/Larkin - car sleeping - OMNI Punjabi - CHNM (OMNI Vancouver) - 06-Apr-2017
- White Rock fire - OMNI Punjabi - CHNM (OMNI Vancouver) - 06-Apr-2017
- **CIVT (CTV BC)**
- BCLP platform released Monday - CTV News at Six - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Clark - day care - CTV News at Five - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Clark/Horgan - OoO report - CTV News at Six - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Clark/Sajan - OoO report - CTV News at Five - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- High heels ban - CTV News at Noon - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Horgan/Prince - Horgan campaign - CTV News at Six - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Kujawa/Juma - medical funding assessment - CTV News at Six - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Marshall - wind, ferries & hydro - CTV News at Six - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- O'Brien - missing Nanaimo teen - CTV News at Noon - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- Scott/MacDonald - windstorm prep - CTV News at Noon - CIVT (CTV Vancouver) - 07-Apr-2017
- **CIVI (CTV Two)**
- Clark - OoO report - CTV News Live @ 5 - CIVI (CTV Two Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Hildreth - urban farming - CTV News Live @ 5 - CIVI (CTV Two Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Marshall - cancelled sailings - CTV News Live @ 5 - CIVI (CTV Two Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Stinson - new shelter housing - CTV News Live @ 5 - CIVI (CTV Two Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Stuart - missing teen - CTV News Live @ 5 - CIVI (CTV Two Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- Weaver - high heels workplace - CTV News Live @ 5 - CIVI (CTV Two Victoria) - 07-Apr-2017
- **Newsworld (CBC)**
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3. [t.co / Twitter](#)
4. <https://t.co/6qyrzZFWMI>
5. Kinder Morgan pipeline has spilled six times in Jasper National Park | The Council of Canadians

6. [With More Bang for the Buck, Renewables Providing Most New Power - Bloomberg](#)
7. <https://t.co/D0j40>
8. [24 connections linking Christy Clark's BC Liberals to Stephen Harper's Conservatives](#)
9. [Globe BC on Twitter: "B.C. Premier .@christyclarkbc steps back from health-firings controversy https://t.co/Q64Wso1WoS https://t.co/vST6MsYMev"](#)
10. [More than 13,000 reasons to make 2017 the year to end B.C.'s grizzly-bear trophy hunt | Georgia Straight Vancouver's News & Entertainment Weekly](#)

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Look Ahead / Issues Summary

Mon Apr 10	Lead	Activity/Details	RLS	CC ID#
9:00 am	HQ	Statement only, provincewide - Beginning of Passover	BCGov STMT	HQ-80076

In the News

Mon Apr 10	Source	In the News & Issues Summary	Category	RLs
9:30 am	TRAN-79649	BC Ferries Announces Extra Sailings for Easter Long Weekend	FYI	3rd party NR
7:00 pm	SDSI-79709	Basic Income Open House in Vancouver: Former senator Hugh Segal holds public conversation on concept of guaranteed basic income at Roundhouse Theatre in Vancouver	FYI	-
Apr 10-13	SBRT-72505	Craft Brewers Conference and BrewExpo America - World Beer Cup Awards: International craft beer conference. This year will be in Washington D.C. and Awards are handed out at the end of the conference. In 2016, B.C. got one silver and two bronze medals at these awards that have over 6600 beers entered	FYI	-

Talk Radio Calendar

No current interviews scheduled.

Emerging Issues / Media Inquiries

Eric Rankin - CBC TV News (BC)

ISSUE: \$10 a day child care and ndp's election promise

STATUS: Unknown

Brielle Morgan - Discourse Media

ISSUE: permanency/placement stability

STATUS: With GCPE

Brielle Morgan - Discourse Media

ISSUE: RCY Recommendation

STATUS: With GCPE

Brielle Morgan - Discourse Media

ISSUE: MCFD

STATUS: With GCPE

Rob Shaw - Vancouver Sun

ISSUE: \$10 a day childcare

STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Rob Shaw asked for Government's analysis of \$10/day childcare. We have estimates based on other organizations' analysis - Eg. Fraser Institute, UBC - but we have not completed any in-house economic/cost analyses (this is in progress but won't be available for a few weeks). We have provided our overarching messaging to Rob in the past (and as part of his recent poverty series with Lori Culbert); government's stance has not changed, and our analysis won't be ready to share until post-election.

Peter Caulfield - Mineral Exploration Magazine

ISSUE: Minister Bennett profile

STATUS: With Minister's Office

Megan Turcato - Global Okanagan

ISSUE: Westside Aggregates runoff into Wood Lake at Oyama

STATUS: With GCPE

Mark Leiren-young - National Observer
ISSUE: Oceans and orcas protection podcast
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Monica Lamb-Yorski - Williams Lake Tribune
ISSUE: Atlantic Power EAB
STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Reporter wrote story with information from another source. No need to reply.

Jan McMurray - Valley Voice (New Denver)
ISSUE: Logging near Park
STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Reporter received info from FLNRO and has enough information for their story.

Robert Barron - Cowichan Valley Citizen (Duncan)
ISSUE: CHH
STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Reporter has previous statements from ministry.

Cody Carter - CHNL Radio (Kamloops) AM 610
ISSUE: Standard and Poor's affirms B.C.'s AAA credit rating
STATUS: Unknown

Dan Levin - New York Times
ISSUE: International Business Activity program
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Chris Cheung - The Tyee
ISSUE: Housing challenges for employers
STATUS: With GCPE

Darryl Greer - Freelancer
ISSUE: Transparency International Report
STATUS: With GCPE

Dan Levin - New York Times
ISSUE: International Business Activity program
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Vivian Luk - CBC - Vancouver
ISSUE: Ombudsperson's Report
STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Advised reporter Kim Henderson not available.

Cody Carter - CHNL Radio (Kamloops) AM 610
ISSUE: Standard and Poor's affirms B.C.'s AAA credit rating
STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Minister unavailable

Clare Hennig - CBC - Vancouver; Jeremy Nuttall - The Tyee
ISSUE: Evidence for Democracy report
STATUS: Declined to Comment

- Statement not approved in time for deadline

Lucas Laporte - Humber College
ISSUE: Softwood Lumber
STATUS: With GCPE

Harry Callaghan - AM 1150 (Okanagan)
ISSUE: River Forecast Centre
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

- The River Forecast Centre will be doing an interview.

James Peters - CFJC TV and Radio (Kamloops)
ISSUE: River Forecast Centre
STATUS: Scheduled Interview

- The River Forecast Centre has completed the interview.

Kathy Tomlinson - Globe and Mail
ISSUE: Doctor Billings
STATUS: With GCPE

Anna Mehler Paperny - Reuters
ISSUE: Mental Health Admissions and Stats
STATUS: With GCPE

Amy Reid - Surrey Now
ISSUE: YMCA announcement
STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- YMCA to follow up.

Jumy Ogun - Roundhouse Radio 98.3 FM
ISSUE: Canadian Free Trade Agreement
STATUS: Unknown

Jamie Feldman - Huffington Post
ISSUE: High Heels in the Workplace
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Bhinder Sajan - CTV News (BC)
ISSUE: High Heels in the Workplace
STATUS: With Minister's Office
Brendan Pawliw - Vista Radio (Prince George)
ISSUE: High Heels in the Workplace
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Kenny Mason - News 1130
ISSUE: High Heels in the Workplace
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Mallory Picket - New York Times magazine
ISSUE: VFX Industry / Tax Incentives
STATUS: With GCPE

Eric Rankin - CBC TV News (BC)
ISSUE: LNG
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Katie Hyslop - The Tyee
ISSUE: Fixed Term Leases
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Matthew Mcfarlane - CBC - Vancouver
ISSUE: Little Mountain
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Katie Hyslop - The Tyee
ISSUE: Fixed Term Leases
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Derrick Penner - Vancouver Sun
ISSUE: Gas Migration in Groundwater
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Claudia Cattaneo - National Post
ISSUE: LNG in BC
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Wawmeesh Hamilton - CBC Vancouver
ISSUE: Education opportunities for inmates in correctional facilities
STATUS: With Program Area

Jennifer Smith - Vernon Morning Star
ISSUE: Mabel Lake Road - Enderby
STATUS: With Program Area

Wil Fundal - CBC Radio - Prince George
ISSUE: Unsanctioned road in Penny
STATUS: With Program Area
Sanjeev Amirthanathan - Business Elite Canada
ISSUE: Evergreen Line
STATUS: With Program Area

Kim Anderson - - Infotelnews.ca
ISSUE: Closures on Highway 5
STATUS: With Program Area

Marshall Whitsed - Mountain FM (Squamish) 107.1
ISSUE: Line painting on provincial highways
STATUS: With Program Area

Dianne St. Jean - Valley Sentinel (Valemount)
ISSUE: Highway 5 traffic between Yellowhead and Valemount
STATUS: With Minister's Office

Mary Brooke - West Shore Voice News

ISSUE: Round-about in Sooke

STATUS: Declined to Comment

- MTS not available for interview.

Evan Matthews - The Rocky Mountain Goat News

ISSUE: McBride Fire

STATUS: Referred to Third Party

- Referred to Regional District of Fraser-Ft. George lead agency on this issue.

FOIs of Note

EGM-2016-63830 – Briefing notes, from Assistant Deputy Minister/Deputy Minister/Minister offices, on the issue of First Nations consultation concerning the reopening of the Mount Polley mine in June 2016.

Applicant: Researcher

Responsive records include: 64 pages including briefing and information notes – the majority are severed

OPEN GOVERNMENT POSTINGS:

FIN-2017-70493 - Statistical tables regarding real estate transactions involving foreign buyers in North Vancouver and West Vancouver, respectively, similar to results provided in news release 2016FIN0053-002520, and which meet the threshold of 5 transactions set by the OIPC. (Date Range for Record Search: From 06/10/2016 To 12/31/2016)

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Responsive records include: One page table showing partially severed information on West Vancouver and North Vancouver property transfer transactions from June 10 to December 31, 2016

GCP-2016-65233 - Regarding the British Columbia stop on the Oct. 16-23, 2016 tour by the Chinese Entrepreneur Club: Briefing materials for Ben Stewart and Amrik Virk for the meeting on Oct. 21, 2016; The agenda and minutes for the meeting; A list of all invitees and attendees including but not limited to the Chinese delegation led by Ma Weihua; Associated audio and video recordings of the meeting; An itemized list of all costs for food, beverages, hospitality and gifts related to the meeting. (Date Range for Record Search: From 10/01/2016 To 10/31/2016).

Responsive records include: 73 pages – Chinese Entrepreneur Club International Visit to Canada, Summary of Leaders Roundtable, KMs, Scenario Note and Program, SNs

OOP-2016-64939 - Regarding the event and news release of Dec. 2, 2016, Evergreen extension officially open to the public: The Event Proposal including Event, Visual Messages, Written Messages, Rollout, Media Plan, Strategic Communications, Media Relations, Q&As and Event Information/Speaking Notes; Records about the scheduling of the news release and event, the choice of the venue, the creation of quotes contained in the news release and other content; and the list of invitees and attendees. (Date Range for Record Search: From 11/07/2016 To 12/02/2016)

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