

## Fwd: CGL statement

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Pls print for MMFs 8am call. I printed another document and already put on his desk with a sticky note. Thanks!

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More for tomorrow morning.

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Hi all: Attached is the draft statement re; CGL for our discussion with ministers tomorrow morning at 8 am. Have a good evening. Fazil

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## STATEMENT

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Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low  
Carbon Innovation

### **Statement on the Coastal GasLink project**

The Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation, Bruce Ralston has issued the following statement about the status of the Coastal GasLink project:

“For over three years now the Coastal GasLink project has been under construction and providing economic opportunities for thousands of people across northern British Columbia.

“Our government has worked diligently to ensure resources are in place to review and oversee the project. Provincial regulators, including the BC Environmental Assessment Office and the BC Oil and Gas Commission, have dedicated significant time and effort to the project since it was submitted for provincial review.

“As TC Energy has previously stated, our efforts have resulted in the timely processing of the permits submitted to us, with Coastal GasLink indicating they currently have approximately 99 per cent of their required approvals. Key construction milestones have been reached – the project is now over 50 per cent complete - and people connected to the project continue to benefit because of the efforts made by all orders of government.

“Through the COVID-19 pandemic, the Province and public health officials worked to support industry in continued safe operations of work camps and construction activities in British Columbia. Coastal GasLink’s construction activities have continued in accordance with the orders and guidance put in place by British Columbia’s Provincial Health Officer, with WorksafeBC and health officials consistently engaged and updated.

“Open, transparent, and timely communication between health officials, industry, First Nations, and local communities helped Coastal GasLink reach key development milestones.

“The results so far: more than \$1.25 billion has been invested in British Columbia to date; over 4000 individuals are currently working on the project; and almost \$900 million of the total investment has been awarded to Indigenous owned businesses or joint venture partnerships. In addition, the company has project agreements with all 20 elected chiefs and councils of the First Nations along the pipeline route.

“The Province continues to engage extensively with Indigenous communities along the Coastal GasLink project, including both hereditary chiefs and elected leadership. My colleague Nathan Cullen, Minister of State for Lands and Natural Resource Operations met with Hereditary Chief Woss in September regarding his concerns, and our government continues to be in contact with

Wet'suwet'en Hereditary and Elected Chiefs, and other Indigenous and non-Indigenous community leaders across the pipeline route.

"Coastal GasLink is permitted and approved for the work that is currently underway and has sought and received an injunction from the courts to affirm their right to complete the work. We are hopeful that a peaceful resolution can be found that avoids conflict, and we are actively supporting efforts at dialogue to achieve this outcome."

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