

EVENT PROGRAM

19th Annual BC Natural Resources Forum

Virtual Event

Updated January 25, 2022

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

9:00 - 9:30am **Official Conference Opening**

MC: **Sarah Weber**, President & CEO, *C3 Alliance Corp.*
Chief Dolleen Logan, *Lheidli T'enneh First Nation*
Todd Doherty, MP, *Cariboo-Prince George*
Shirley Bond, MLA, *Prince George-Valemount*
Mayor Lyn Hall, *City of Prince George*
Rachel Fournier, Operations Superintendent, *Rio Tinto*

9:30 - 9:45am **Opening Keynote**

Regional Chief Terry Teegee, *British Columbia Assembly of First Nations*

9:45 - 10:45am **Panel 1: BC's Natural Resource Industries Working Together**

BC is well positioned to be a leader in responsible natural resource development that is at the forefront of the transition to sustainable production. Join us for the Forum's first panel as leaders from the mining, mineral exploration, forestry, and energy sectors analyse the challenges and opportunities facing our Province's natural resource industries and set the stage for how we can work together to realize BC's competitive advantages.

Panelists: **Bryan Cox**, President & CEO, *Canadian LNG Alliance*
Michael Goehring, President & CEO, *Mining Association of BC*
Kendra Johnston, President & CEO, *Association for Mineral Exploration*
Susan Yurkovich, President & CEO, *Council of Forest Industries*

Moderator: **Fiona Famulak**, President & CEO, *BC Chamber of Commerce*

10:45 - 11:15am Coffee Break

11:15 - 12:15 pm **Panel 2: Attracting Sustainable Investment to British Columbia**

Developing trusting, respectful, and productive relationships between communities and industry is essential to attracting sustainable investment in our Province. Join Niilo Edwards, Executive Director of the First Nations Major Projects Coalition, and participate in a question-and-answer discussion regarding the development of partnerships between Indigenous Nations, government, and industry with regards to expanding investment in our province.

Panelists: **Valerie Helbronner**, Partner, *Torys LLP*
Chris Sankey, Principal, *Blackfish Enterprises*
Chief Willie Sellars, *Williams Lake First Nation*

Moderator: **Niilo Edwards**, Executive Director, *First Nations Major Projects Coalition*

12:15 - 1:30pm Breakout Rooms - Networking

1:30 - 1:50pm **Keynote**

Susannah Pierce, Country Chair Canada, GM Renewables & Energy Solutions, *Shell*

1:50 - 2:50pm **Panel 3: Pathways to Decarbonization**

BC's resource sectors have been a driving force behind the development of innovative solutions towards reaching our CleanBC targets. This cross-sectoral panel will discuss pathways to decarbonization and how our natural resource industries can work together in achieving a low carbon future.

Panelists: **David Bennett**, Director of Renewable Gas, *FortisBC*
Lana Eagle, Senior Advisor & Consultant, *Lana Eagle Consulting*
Ben Goodier, Head of Bio-Innovation, *Canfor*
Scott Volk, Tech and Innovation Lead, *Tourmaline*

Moderator: **Tim McMillan**, President & CEO, *CAPP*

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

8:45 – 9:15am **Opening Keynote - The Power of Community Partnerships**
Sébastien Ross, Managing Director Atlantic Operations, *Rio Tinto*

9:15 - 10:25am **Panel 4: Changing Mines**
British Columbia has a unique opportunity to be a leading provider of the low carbon metals and minerals required for our global energy transition towards achieving net zero emissions by 2050. The Changing Mines panel is a conversation between senior mining leaders about how British Columbia's mining industry is embracing innovation; environment, social and governance (ESG) practices; and Indigenous partnerships in their operations.

Panelists: **Jon Gaunt**, General Manager, *Newcrest Red Chris Mining Limited*
Nalaine Morin, Lands Director, *Tahltan Central Government*
Paul Ratte, General Manager, *Barkerville Gold Mines Ltd.*
Don Strickland, Executive Vice President, Sustainability, *Copper Mountain Mining*

Moderator: **Tim McEwan**, Senior Vice President, Corporate Affairs, *MABC*

10:25 – 10:40am **Morning Keynote**
Hon. Bruce Ralston, Minister of Energy, Mines & Low Carbon Innovation

10:40 - 11:15am Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:15pm **Panel 5: Strengthening Communities through Partnership**
Companies that adopt purposeful strategies to build effective partnerships with Indigenous peoples, businesses, and communities do so for a variety of reasons. This indigenous led panel will discuss the ins and outs of partnership with an emphasis on community expectations, communication, and how BC's natural resource sectors can effectively navigate this process in a manner that builds trust and respect.

Panelists: **Carl Archie**, Councillor, *Canim Lake First Nation*
Chief Sharleen Gale, *Fort Nelson First Nation*
Doug Mosher, CEO, *Atli Chip Limited Partnership*
Chief Justin Napoleon, *Saulteau First Nation*

Moderator: **Dallas Smith**, President, *Nanwakolas Council*

12:15 – 1:30pm Breakout Rooms – Networking

1:30 – 1:45pm **Afternoon Keynote**
Hon. Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Natural Resources, *Government of Canada*

1:45 – 2:30pm **Fireside Chat - The Pathway to Net Zero**
Panelists: **Hon. Jonathan Wilkinson**, Minister of Natural Resources, *Government of Canada*
Ivan Vella, Chief Executive, Aluminium, *Rio Tinto*

Moderator: **Robert Johnston**, Special Advisor Energy and Climate, *Eurasia Group*

Thursday, January 20, 2022

9:00 – 10:15am **Resource Ministers' Roundtable**
As BC's economy recovers from the impacts of COVID-19, our resource industries will play a pivotal role in restoring the province's economic prosperity. Hear from key provincial Ministers as they discuss today's challenges and tomorrow's objectives.

Panelists: **Hon. Katrine Conroy**, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development
Hon. George Heyman, Minister of Environment & Climate Change Strategy
Hon. Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery & Innovation
Hon. Bruce Ralston, Minister of Energy, Mines & Low Carbon Innovation
Hon. Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation

Moderator: **Sharon Singh**, Partner, *Bennett Jones LLP*

10:15 - 10:35am **Keynote**
Sue Paish, Chief Executive Officer, *Digital Technology Supercluster*

10:35-11:25pm **Fireside Chat**
Panelists: **Chief Crystal Smith**, *Haisla Nation*
Peter Zebedee, CEO, *LNG Canada*

Moderator: **Joel McKay**, CEO, *Northern Development*

11:25-11:45am Coffee Break

11:45 – 12:45pm Panel 6: The Workforce of Tomorrow
British Columbia's workforce and talent development continues to evolve rapidly with the increasing introduction of new workers and the aging out of the previous generation. As businesses and service providers seek to meet fluctuating demand with a changing social landscape, how can organizations best position themselves to attract, retain, and nurture talent? Join this panel to discuss the workforce of tomorrow.

Panelists: **Paul de Jong**, President, *Progressive Contractors Association*
Mark Olsen, Sub-Regional Manager, *LiUNA!*
Chris Rathbone, Assistant Deputy Minister, Small Business & Economic Development, *Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery & Innovation*
Karen Sorensen, Workforce Development Manager, *BC First Nations Forestry Council*

Moderator: **Todd Corrigan**, President, *Prince George Chamber of Commerce*

12:45 – 2:00pm Breakout Rooms – Networking

2:00 - 2:15pm Keynote
Hon. Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

2:15 – 3:15pm Panel 7: Canada's Connection to the World; BC's Transportation and Supply Chain
From pulp and paper product shortages at the beginning of the pandemic, to vaccine rollouts and the recent climate driven failures of major infrastructure, the fundamental importance of BC's supply chains is more relevant than ever. Join this panel to hear from leading industry experts regarding the future of BC's transportation and supply chain management.

Panelists: **Ian K. Anderson**, Vice President, Logistics, *Teck*
Michael Davies, Chief Operating Officer, *Trans Mountain Corporation*
Greg D'Avignon, President & CEO, *Business Council of British Columbia*
James Thompson, Vice President Western Region, *CN Rail*
Ken Veldman, Vice President, Public Affairs & Sustainability, *Prince Rupert Port Authority*

Moderator: **Alexa Young**, VP, Government & Public Affairs, *BC Council of Forest Industries*