

In the Loop: Community newsletter for the Sunrise Expansion Program

Welcome to the first edition of the Sunrise Expansion Program (Project) community newsletter—a place to find updates about the Project, what Westcoast has been up to in local communities along the pipeline system, and where you might catch up with us next.

Project at a glance

Enbridge's Westcoast system delivers natural gas used throughout BC, Alberta, and the U.S. Pacific Northwest to heat homes, businesses, hospitals and schools. This abundant and affordable energy source is also used to generate electricity and to produce hundreds of products we use everyday.

To meet the demand for natural gas, we're proposing an expansion of the southern part of the system, known as T-South. The Project includes adding new segments of pipeline parallel to the existing system, called pipeline loops, and installing additional compressor units at existing compressor stations. Some of these compressor units are proposed to be powered by electricity, which will require installation of powerline infrastructure.

The Project is currently undergoing a regulatory review process by the Canada Energy Regulator (CER). If approved, construction is expected to start in Q2 2026, with a target in-service date in late 2028. Once complete, it will provide up to 300 million cubic feet per day of additional natural gas transportation capacity, helping to ensure reliable service across the region.

Our team continues to conduct environmental, geotechnical, and socio-economic studies to help shape the final design of the Project. We're also actively engaging with Indigenous groups, landowners, and local communities to gather input and help guide the process.

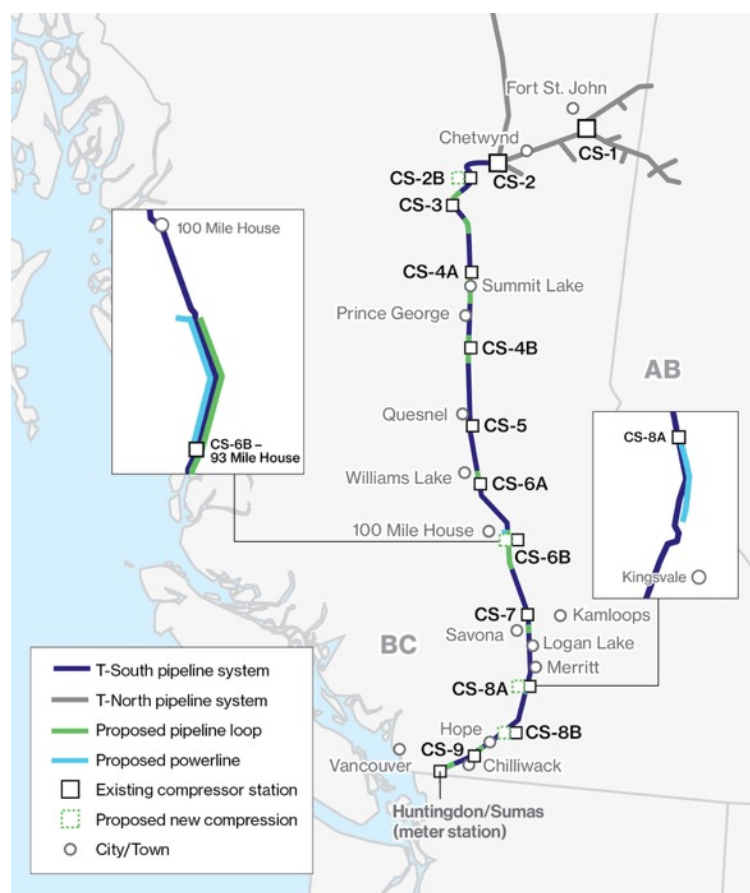
"The project will create jobs, generate business for local suppliers, and support long-term improvements in our community. This is especially important in smaller communities like Hixon, where such opportunities can have a meaningful impact on residents and families."

Gerald Thompson

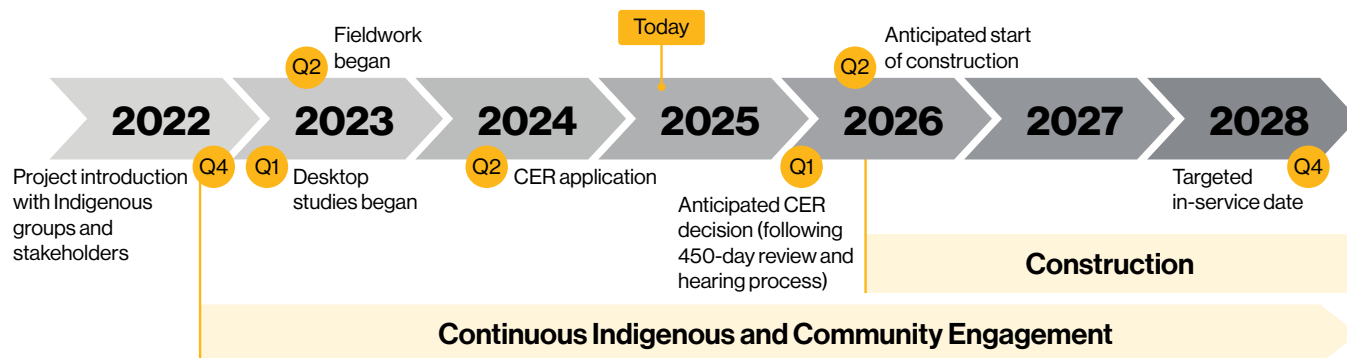
Fire Chief, Hixon Volunteer Fire Department

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> Map is for illustrative purposes only and not to scale. Project design is under development and configuration of pipeline loops, compressor units, additional compressor station modifications, and powerlines are subject to change.



Let's talk—Community roundtables

As part of our commitment to open and ongoing dialogue, we're hosting community roundtables along the Westcoast system right-of-way to hear from local communities and better understand what matters most to the people who live and work near our system.

Spotlight: Mackenzie Roundtable

At a roundtable in Mackenzie on February 11, we heard valuable feedback about workforce accommodation, economic development, and infrastructure challenges. We learned about the importance of prioritizing investments into local business, local hiring, and how the Project can adapt to the specific needs of the community. These kinds of conversations help guide our approach and ensure we're responding to community interests.

Whether they are questions, concerns, or ideas—we want to hear them. Your input helps shape how we move forward, and we truly appreciate everyone who's taken the time to join the conversation so far.

More roundtables are on the way, so keep an eye out for one near you!

"As a municipality located near the existing pipeline route, we recognize the significance of this Project in strengthening our local economy, ensuring energy reliability, diversity and enhancing opportunities for a sustainable resource that can grow and develop with our support..."

Sylvia Pranger
Mayor, District of Kent



➤ Sunrise Expansion Program roundtable discussion in Mackenzie on Feb 11, 2025.

Reconciliation in action: Indigenous groups to be part owners of the Westcoast system

On May 15, Enbridge and Stonlasec8 Indigenous Alliance Limited Partnership announced a historic agreement that will make 36 Indigenous groups part owners of the Westcoast pipeline system. The Indigenous partnership will make an investment of approximately \$715 million, resulting in 12.5% equity ownership in the Westcoast system.

"Enbridge's Westcoast pipeline system is a legacy asset that has operated within our traditional territories for over 65 years. Now, our Nations will receive sustained economic benefits from this asset, funding critical investments in housing, infrastructure, environmental stewardship, and cultural preservation," said Chief David Jimmie, President and Chair of Stonlasec8 and Chief of Squiala First Nation. "People often ask what economic reconciliation for Indigenous Peoples looks like. This is it."

"This transaction provides an opportunity to build on our existing relationships with Indigenous communities and help advance reconciliation," added Cynthia Hansen, Enbridge Executive Vice President and President of Gas Transmission and Midstream.

At Enbridge, we continue to explore opportunities for Indigenous partnerships, which not only allow Indigenous groups to benefit economically from Enbridge's projects and operations, but also play a greater role in shaping Canada's energy future.

Enbridge has undertaken several partnerships with Indigenous communities in Canada, including:

2025: A historic agreement in BC currently with 36 Indigenous groups resulting in a 12.5% equity ownership in the Westcoast natural gas pipeline system.

2024: An opportunity for six Indigenous groups to acquire an ownership stake of at least 30% in a wind project near Weyburn, Saskatchewan.

2022: A landmark \$1.12 billion agreement with 23 Indigenous groups for an 11.57% ownership interest in seven pipelines in the Athabasca region of northern Alberta.

2022: An agreement with five Indigenous groups and Métis partners to advance the development of a proposed carbon storage hub by Wabamun, Alberta, where they have an opportunity to acquire an equity ownership in the project.

Indigenous engagement spotlight

Since early 2023, Westcoast has been engaging with potentially affected Indigenous groups to understand interests and incorporate local knowledge and feedback into the Project. Through participation in the Project and ongoing engagement, several changes were made in the Project design. Engagement and participation in the Project continues.

The Cultural Walk Through program, which focuses on identifying and documenting culturally and environmentally significant sites guided and led by Indigenous communities, has kicked off this year. Collected data from the walk throughs will be validated in collaboration with the community before being incorporated into the Project.

Westcoast is also working with potentially affected Indigenous groups to identify interests and determine the need and methods for environmental monitoring during and post-construction. Indigenous monitors will participate in construction activities by observing construction activities and the implementation of protection measures outlined in the Project's Environmental Protection Plans and agreed upon socio-economic effects indicators.

Spotlight: Oral Indigenous Knowledge sessions

As part of the regulatory process, the CER hosted a series of Oral Indigenous Knowledge sessions in Prince George, Kamloops, and Chilliwack. These sessions provided an important forum for Indigenous groups to share their knowledge and history through oral traditions.

Westcoast attended these sessions to continue to listen to, learn from and ensure that the information shared by those who participated is documented and incorporated into the Project, where appropriate.

We have heard feedback emphasizing the importance of community, gender and cultural safety. With this, all our workers will be required to complete mandatory training in human trafficking prevention, workplace health and safety, and Indigenous cultural awareness. Westcoast is also engaging Indigenous groups and local communities in the development of a Community and Gender Safety plan for the Project.

By the numbers:

+\$25 MILLION
in Indigenous businesses spend for various scopes of work for the Project

+8,500
Indigenous engagement touchpoints, including;

+590 meetings and events attended

+150,000 HOURS
performing environmental and cultural surveys, with approximately 60% of the fieldwork hours completed by Indigenous community members

Project snapshot: What is pipeline looping?

Each edition of this newsletter, we will break down a different part of the Project to provide a better understanding of what's happening, why it matters, and how it might affect your community.

One main component of the Project is installing pipeline segments parallel to the existing pipeline system, called pipeline looping.

This process can be thought of as adding an extra section of lane to a slow part of a highway to improve the flow of traffic. By laying a new section of pipe alongside our existing pipeline, more natural gas can flow without building an entirely new pipeline system, minimizing environmental disturbance.

The Project is planning to build about 139 km of new 42-inch pipeline loop in various sections along the Westcoast system to increase natural gas capacity.



[Click here](#) to watch pipeline looping explained, or go to enbridge.com/BC.



> A visual representation of a pipeline looping.

Thank you for your letters of comment

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to everyone who submitted letters of comment to the CER as part of the regulatory review process for the Project. In total, 83 letters were submitted by individuals, communities, and organizations, each offering a valuable perspective that helps inform and strengthen the dialogue around this important project. Thank you for taking the time to share your feedback.

Mark your calendar!

We'll be attending several community events in the coming months, and we'd love to see you there! Our team will be on-hand to listen, answer questions, and chat about what the Project means for your community.

Keep an eye out for us at the following events:

Date	Location	Event
June 13 – 15	Prince George	Rodeo Prince George
June 13 – 15	Taylor	Spirit of the Peace Pow Wow
June 27 – 30	Williams Lake	Williams Lake Stampede
July 11 – 13	Mission	VYPER Reclaiming Youth Pow Wow
July 17 – 20	Quesnel	Billy Barker Days
July 18 – 20	100 Mile House	Hot July Nights
August 1 – 3	Abbotsford	Abbotsford Agrifair
August 8 – 10	Chilliwack	Chilliwack Fair
August 23 – 24	Lac La Hache	South Cariboo Garlic Festival
September 6 – 8	Hope	Hope Brigade Days
September 12 – 13	Agassiz	Agassiz Fall Fair and Corn Festival

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Q&A

Your questions answered

Have something you're curious about when it comes to the Project? Send your questions to BCProjects@enbridge.com and we might feature it in an upcoming issue. It's a great way to stay informed and keep the conversation going.

Q: It's important for those of us living along the right-of-way that the Project brings benefits to our community. What's the plan for supporting local businesses and providing employment opportunities?

We've been hearing this question a lot in our community conversations. People have shared how important it is to create real hiring opportunities, set up long-term plans for apprentices after the work wraps up, and invest in youth programs that make a lasting impact.

We're committed to making sure the Project delivers benefits to the communities along its route. That includes job and training opportunities, and supporting Indigenous-owned and local businesses.

Some of these opportunities have already started to take shape through early field work and investigative studies. And if the Project is approved, over 2,500 workers are projected to be employed during peak construction period. This Project is expected to contribute over \$2.5 billion in BC's economy.

Recently, we've launched Working Warriors, an Indigenous-owned online platform that connects employers and candidates. A Project-specific job site allows contractors to post job opportunities as they become available. Individuals can also use the platform to upload their resumes and access all available job listings.



Scan the **QR code** or visit the link to access the [portal](#).