

BC Energy Regulator Update

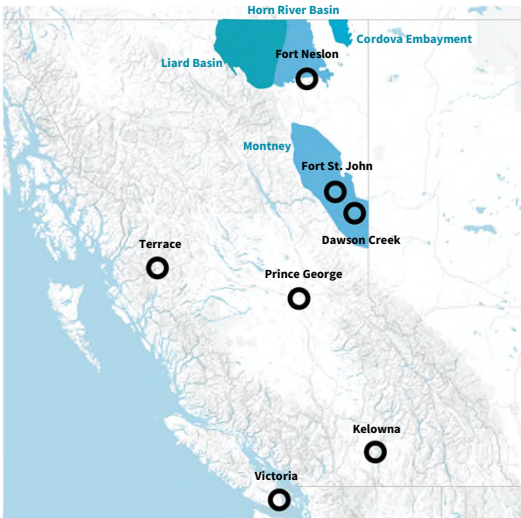


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Presented by : Michelle Carr, Commissioner & CEO

BCER Office Locations Throughout B.C.



Territorial Acknowledgment

We acknowledge and respect the many Indigenous Territories and Treaty areas, each with unique cultures, languages, legal traditions and relationships to the land and water, which the British Columbia Energy Regulator’s work spans. We also respectfully acknowledge the Métis and Inuit people living across B.C.

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New Role, New Look



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Vision


A resilient energy future where B.C.'s energy resource activities are safe, environmentally leading and socially responsible.

Mission


We regulate the life cycle of energy resource activities in B.C., from site planning to restoration, ensuring activities are undertaken in a manner that:




Protects public safety and the environment



Supports reconciliation with Indigenous peoples and the transition to low carbon energy




Conserves energy resources



Fosters a sound economy and social well-being

Values

Transparency
Innovation
Integrity
Respect
Responsiveness




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Our Role

We oversee activities from exploration and development, to pipeline transportation and reclamation. Our role includes refineries, value added gas and liquids manufacturing processes, aspects of geothermal power, and recently expanded to include carbon capture, hydrogen, ammonia and methanol.

Funding & Accountability

The BCER is funded through the application of fees and levies. We are accountable to the provincial legislature and the public through the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation.



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Our Team

Environmental Stewards Natural Resource Officers First Nations Liaisons
 Hydrologists Geologists Heritage Conservation Officers Land Owner Liaisons
 Reservoir Engineers Emergency Management Analysts Air Specialists



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Expanded Role – A New ERAA

Oil and Gas Activity Act (OGAA) → Energy Resource Activity Act (ERAA)

- Expanding the organization's mandate to support a low-carbon energy economy in B.C. – CleanBC.
- Regulatory clarity and certainty for potential hydrogen, methanol, and ammonia projects.
- Further expand the strong regulatory framework for Carbon Capture and Storage – Climate Initiatives.
- Align governance to best practices.
- Ensure the liability framework and orphan sites processes are strengthened.

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Community Well-Being



Source: <http://www.npsp.sa.gov.au>

Accountability for social well-being mandated through our legislation and operationalized through the Strategic Framework.

Ensure we are proactively addressing community-specific needs, interests and values through policy development, quality engagement, and responsive decision-making.



Engagement Opportunities



Requirements for Consultation and Notification



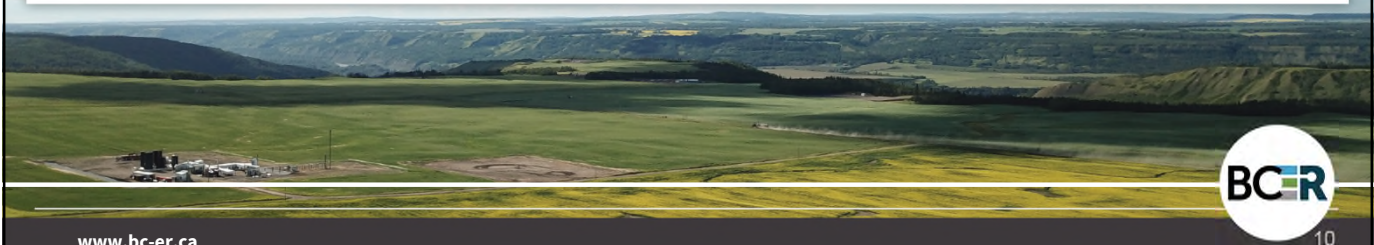
South Peace Synergy Project



Regional Networking Group



24/7 Public Enquiries and Concerns Reporting (1-250-794-5200)



Meaningful Reconciliation and Partnerships with Indigenous Peoples



We honour Indigenous rights, title and values as foundational in our decision-making and apply this in all facets of our work, with First Nations and Indigenous communities as partners in building B.C.'s energy resource future.

A photograph of a crane against a sunset sky with clouds. The crane is on the left side of the slide, and the sky is on the right. The overall background is a dark teal color.

Thank you!
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