



British Columbia's LNG Advantage

Abundant, reliable and responsibly sourced natural gas resources



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Opportunities abound in British Columbia with **numerous natural gas projects** identified and a strong government commitment to **delivering low carbon energy** to the world in the safest and most sustainable way possible.

British Columbia (B.C.), Canada is a global leader in environmental regulation for natural gas development. The Government of B.C. is taking action to have the most responsible, inclusive and progressive natural gas sector while also building the cleanest liquified natural gas (LNG) facilities in the world. The Government of B.C. continues to focus on the use of clean energy sources like hydroelectricity to power LNG facilities. The electrification of upstream production using hydroelectricity means that Canada will be exporting some of the cleanest LNG produced, from wellhead to the jetty.





New measures to manage greenhouse gas emissions are also being evaluated. A new policy was announced in March 2023 by the Government of B.C. under the Energy Action Framework which builds on actions outlined in the CleanBC strategy. The Government of B.C. requires all proposed LNG facilities entering the environmental assessment process to pass an emissions test with a credible plan to be net zero by 2030. In May 2025, the B.C. Legislature passed Bills 14 and 15 to expedite major natural-resource and renewable-energy projects in partnership with First Nations equity owners. This will accelerate the construction of essential public infrastructure and generate jobs across the province.

Additionally, the Government of Canada's 2024 Federal Budget introduced refundable Clean Economy Investment Tax Credits (ITC) for clean technology, carbon capture, and hydrogen, with legislation advancing for a Clean Electricity ITC. LNG producers that electrify or cut emissions may qualify, improving project economics.

The global energy system is changing dramatically, and the world is facing unprecedented challenges for energy supply, security and transitions. As global energy demand continues to rise, B.C.'s natural gas and LNG sector are poised to play a pivotal role in the transition toward a lower-carbon future and provide increased energy security for the world.



Global energy demand

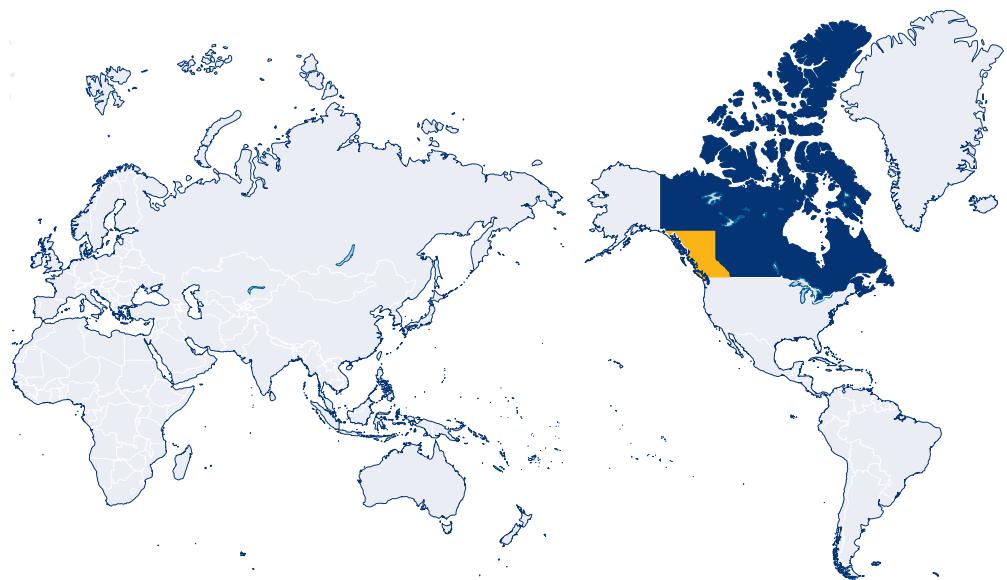
British Columbia currently produces over one-third of Canada's natural gas and is well positioned to ship responsibly produced natural gas as LNG to meet demands in emerging Asian economies.

Easy Market Access

British Columbia has a proven track record as a safe and reliable energy partner and exporter of pipeline gas to the U.S.; LNG builds on this strong reputation and unlocks opportunity to be an energy partner with transpacific markets. Large investments in the natural gas sector have come primarily from Shell, Petronas, Mitsubishi, KOGAS and PetroChina. B.C.'s geographic positioning allows for swifter shipping times to overseas markets, particularly Asia. For example, LNG Canada will be about half the shipping distance to Asia compared to LNG exporters in the U.S. Gulf Coast region who face long-term capacity challenges in the Panama Canal. The Panama Canal congestion in 2024/25 has caused costly delays, making B.C.'s shorter, more reliable Pacific route a strategic advantage for Asian buyers seeking faster delivery. Nurturing the growth of the LNG industry on Canada's West Coast will allow B.C. and Canada to export natural gas to new customers in rapidly developing markets in China, India and other parts of Asia where the demand for natural gas remains high. British Columbia looks forward to continuing its role as a stable and secure supplier of commodities throughout Asia.



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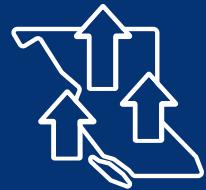


Celebrating Canada's First West Coast LNG Export in 2025

- LNG Canada's major LNG complex in Kitimat, B.C., is the largest single private sector investment (\$40 billion) in Canada's history. It employed 9,000 workers during the construction period, and to date has awarded \$4 billion in contracts to B.C. businesses, Indigenous communities and contractors.
- In June 2025, LNG Canada shipped its first cargo of liquefied natural gas to Asia.
- LNG Canada Phase 2 will transform Canada into an energy superpower making it the second largest facility of its kind in the world, whereby emissions are projected to be 35 percent lower than world's best performing LNG facilities and 60 percent lower than global.
- Two liquefaction projects, Cedar LNG and Woodfibre LNG, are set to add an additional 4.4 million tons per annum to B.C.'s LNG export capacity by 2028.
- The Woodfibre LNG project intends to be a net zero facility by 2027.
- Construction on Cedar LNG, a floating liquefaction and export facility majority owned by the Haisla nation, started in July 2024. This ground-breaking project will produce LNG with one of the lowest carbon intensities globally, utilizing renewable electricity from BC Hydro.



Opportunities to Engage with British Columbia's LNG Sector:



B.C. offers investment opportunities in:

- Upstream natural gas production
- Pipelines and infrastructure
- LNG export terminals
- Innovation and emissions reduction

Major projects include:

- LNG Canada Phase 2
- Coastal Gaslink Pipeline
- Woodfibre LNG
- Eagle Mountain – Woodfibre Gas Pipeline
- Ksi Lisims LNG
- Cedar LNG
- Fortis BC/Tilbury LNG Expansion
- Summit Lake PG LNG



Key Delivery Partners

Provincial	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ministry of Energy and Climate Solutions (formerly EMLI)Ministry of Environment and ParksBC Hydro <ul style="list-style-type: none">BC Energy RegulatorIndigenous Relations and Reconciliation - IRR (Negotiations & Regional Operations)
Federal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Natural Resources Canada (NRCan)Global Affairs Canada (GAC) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED)
Industry Stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BC FerriesCanadian LNG AllianceCanadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP)Cedar LNG (Haisla Nation and Pembina Pipeline)Cryopeak Energy SolutionsExplorers and Producers Association of CanadaFirst Nations LNG AllianceFortisBCLNG CanadaCanadian Gas Association and Natural Gas Innovation FundPacific Traverse Energy <ul style="list-style-type: none">Petroleum Services Association of CanadaPort Edward LNGPrince Rupert Terminal (Pembina)Ridley Island Propane Export Terminal (RIPET; AltaGas and Royal Vopak)Vopak Development Canada bulk liquid storage facilitySeaspan FerriesVancouver Fraser Port AuthorityWoodfibre LNG (Squamish Nation and Pacific Energy)NorthX (formerly CICE)
Academia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BC Oil & Gas Methane Emissions Research Collaborative (MERC)BC Oil & Gas Research and Innovation Society <ul style="list-style-type: none">UBC Clean Energy Research Centre (CERC)SFU Clean Energy Research Group (CERG)



Gateway to Canada's Energy Future

British Columbia is home to the second largest natural gas reserves in Canada and is seeing major investment in the industry. Companies benefit from the province having one of the most responsible, clean and progressive natural gas industries in the world in addition to B.C.'s easy access to Asian markets, skilled workforce and transparent regulatory requirements. B.C. is set to emerge as the primary exporter of liquefied natural gas in Canada. By the end of the decade, proposed projects could expand output by 28.5 million tonnes annually and increase exports by 19.4 million tonnes per year, strengthening regional growth and Canada's role in the energy market. British Columbia offers a strategic environment for business owners (or businesses) looking to establish themselves in the LNG and natural resources sectors.

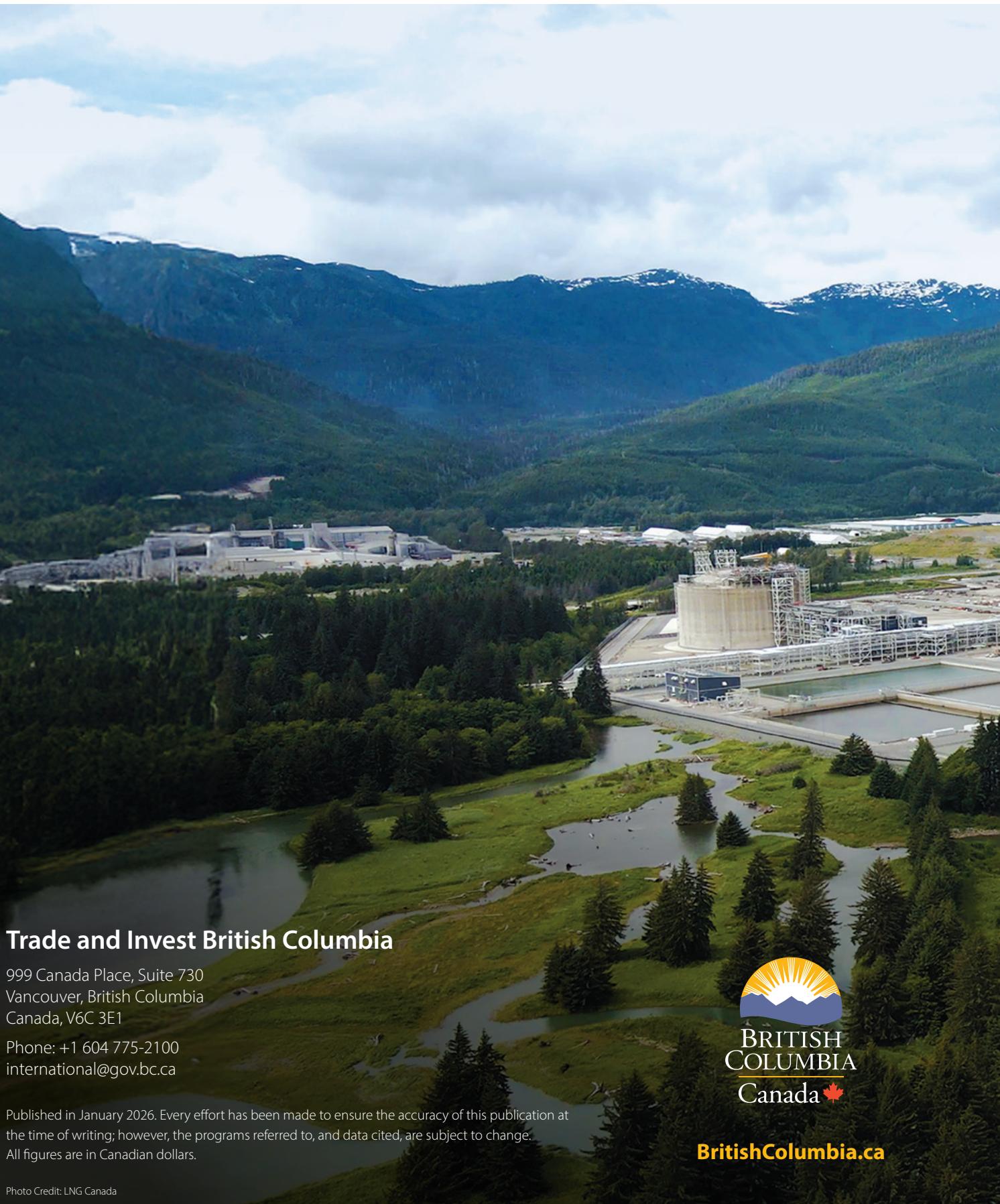
British Columbia's Competitive Advantages



- Strategically located on Canada's Pacific Coast
- Well-established connections to global supply chains
- Educated and skilled talent pool
- Diverse geography and climate
- Competitive corporate and personal income taxes
- A flourishing innovation ecosystem



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