# Coastal GasLink —Connector

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### TC Energy and Coastal GasLink celebrate historic equity agreement with Indigenous partners

Delivering a world-class project that will provide economic benefits for Indigenous communities, British Columbians and Canadians for decades to come has been a priority since day one.

Our commitment started nearly 10 years ago, and since that time, we have worked together to identify a path towards mutually beneficial relationships with Indigenous and local communities. These relationships have led to the creation of unprecedented agreements of support from 20 Indigenous communities along our project corridor. It is an honour to have our Indigenous neighbours also be our business partners.

We are proud to announce that TC Energy has signed option agreements to sell a 10 per cent equity interest in Coastal GasLink. The opportunity was made available to all 20 Indigenous communities holding existing agreements with Coastal GasLink and is an important step on the path to true partnership through equity ownership in the project.

"The finalization of the option agreements represents a historic milestone in our desire to participate as equity owners in Coastal GasLink. For many of us, this marks the first time that our Nations have been



From left to right: Chief Justin Napoleon, Indigenous Relations Director Tiffany Murray, Chief Corrina Leween and Coastal GasLink President Bevin Wirzba.

included as owners in a major natural resource project that is crossing our territories," states Chief Corrina Leween of the Cheslatta Carrier Nation, and member of the CGL First Nations Limited Partnership Management Committee.

Our Indigenous partners have been instrumental in the construction of Coastal GasLink. Since construction began, we have had hundreds of key roles held by local Indigenous people, and over \$1 billion in project contracts have been awarded to local Indigenous businesses. In 2021 alone, we invested over \$550,000 in local Indigenous communities to support community initiatives, skills training and education.

"We want to be partners; we want to be involved in the life cycle of the project from ground-breaking to reclamation. Having the option to get involved in equity opens up the opportunity to have a long-term economic benefit from a project that will be there for years," said Chief Justin Napoleon of the Saulteau First Nations, and a member of the FN CGL Pipeline Limited Partnership.

We look forward to strengthening our Indigenous partnerships as we take these next steps together in building a lasting legacy founded on safety and respect for all people, communities and the environment.

To learn more about the historic agreement and watch a video from the event, visit **coastalgaslink.com**.

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### Wilde Lake: Teamwork leads to incredible progress and community investment



Aerial View of the Wild Lake Compressor and Meter Station

Delivering a world-class project that will provide natural gas to Overseas markets wouldn't be possible without the Wilde Lake Compressor and Meter Station.

Construction of the facility is well underway, with more than 74 per cent of the facility construction complete. Serving as the starting point for clean, Canadian natural gas to be transported to the LNG Canada facility in Kitimat, B.C., the facility is instrumental in the safe operation of Coastal GasLink for years to come.

The facility's construction isn't just the building of the facility; it includes the building of community for the Wilde Lake team. Since the start of construction, the team has

deepened their relationships with the surrounding communities by supporting local organizations, including the Nawican Friendship Centre and Network Ministries. Through 50/50 draws and raffles, the site team has raised over \$22,000 to support these organizations' vital programs. To top it off, they recently raised an additional \$5,000 from recycling proceeds that went towards Dawson Creek's Junior Curling Club.

Adding to the Wilde Lake team's successes, the three compressor buildings have been built, along with the completion of the preliminary alignment of the three compressor units. This means that the team can focus on piping and electrical work in the buildings, and finishing the last on-site welds.

Once in operation, the Wilde Lake facility will initially power the transportation of 2.1 billion cubic

feet of natural gas per day (bcf/d) in Groundbirch, B.C. The project has the potential to move up to 5 bcf/d with the addition of compression facilities along the pipeline.

In the coming months, we look forward to celebrating more milestones as the Wilde Lake Compressor and Meter Station progresses to the second last stage of facility construction with the start of hydrotesting and the final alignment of the compressor units. With the anticipated completion of one of the project's major facilities later this year, we are one step closer to delivering sustainable Canadian natural gas to help lower global GHG emissions.

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### A made in Northern B.C. solution: Macro Pipelines partners with Nadleh-Whuten



Nadleh-Macro crew members

One of the leading pipeline construction companies, Macro Pipelines, embarked on a partnership with Nadleh-Whut'en and its long-time partner Frost Group, for construction in Section 5.

Over the years, Nadleh Whut'en have been working towards economic prosperity for themselves and the region. Nadleh Whut'en bring their deep knowledge and commitment to the land to this important partnership.

"We're proud to welcome this partnership which not only demonstrates our commitment to Indigenous reconciliation, but also showcases our commitment to providing contract opportunities and employment for our local communities," shared Indigenous Relations Director, Tiffany Murray.

"Collaborations like this provide an opportunity to show the world how First Nations can participate, competitively and meaningfully, without compromising our cultural values or environmental stewardship while maximizing economic benefits and participation with industrial activity on our unceded territory," shared Nadleh Whut'en Chief Larry Nooski.

The partnership is the second major Indigenous Joint Venture prime contractor since we announced the Ledcor-Haisla Limited Partnership in May 2021. Partnerships like these are one of the many ways we are working together with our Indigenous partners to advance reconciliation efforts and foster a lasting legacy.

Learn more about our other prime contractors who are responsible for employing the workforce directly **coastalgaslink.com/ employment/**.

## Coastal GasLink playing a role in the global energy transition

At Coastal GasLink, we're looking towards the future of not only the local communities and environments where we have the privilege to live and work, but also of the world at large.

Natural gas is the cleanest burning fossil fuel, and we're working with LNG Canada to make it available to global markets, replacing other carbonintensive energy forms.

Liquified natural gas (LNG) is one of the world's fastest growing major energy sources, and global demand is projected to rise significantly over the next 20 years. It's estimated that natural gas exports facilitated by Coastal GasLink could reduce annual global CO2 emissions by 60 to 90 million tonnes, which is roughly equivalent to removing up to 12 to 18 million cars off the road. This also represents more than the total annual emissions of B.C and roughly 10 per cent of Canada's annual emissions. This provides an opportunity for British Columbia to help replace higher carbon-emitting fuels, such as coal, with cleaner energy sources, contributing to the global effort to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions and reduce air pollution.



CGL's Environmental Team along the project route

We're proud of our role in supporting emissions reductions and leaving a lasting legacy in our local communities and around the world.

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### Women breaking down barriers and bias in the energy industry

For International Women's Day 2022, Coastal GasLink celebrated the 800 extraordinary women in our taskforce. We strive to provide an inclusive environment for women to grow, succeed and break the bias in the energy industry.

As the project surpasses 60 per cent completion, this achievement wouldn't be possible without the support of the women in our workforce, whose roles include supervisors, biologists, equipment operators, engineers, managers and more.

Our team supports women in reaching their career goals at Coastal GasLink, and beyond. Jade, who works at the Wilde Lake Compressor Station, started as a labourer on the project, where her talent and ambitious drive have since led her to becoming a Civil Foreman for Coastal GasLink. For engineering student Evelyn, she began at Coastal GasLink not having a clear career path. Now Evelyn sees her future in the energy industry.

Now and into the future, we look forward to fostering an environment of respect and inclusion for our workforce as the project progresses to operational in 2023. Hear from some of our extraordinary women at **coastalgaslink.com**.



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#### In your community



Giving back to the communities where we operate is important to us. Our team members, along with our prime contractor Aecon Group Inc., raised more than \$10,000 for Nawican Friendship Centre this past fall to help support counselling, recreational and educational programming in the Dawson Creek area.



Emergency responders do incredibly important work to keep our communities safe. Last year, Coastal GasLink donated \$48,000 through TC Energy's community giving program to support Emergency Services in the Peace region.



Together with the United Way of Northern BC we established the Coastal GasLink Legacy Fund, which raised more than \$97,000 for communities along our project route. We're grateful to be part of this opportunity, which has provided support to 11 non-profit agencies who are making a big difference in local communities.

#### **Coastal GasLink**



#### We'd like to hear from you

If you have any questions or comments about the project, please reach out.

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