



BC's Construction Industry Ready to Deliver as Budget 2026 Bets Big on Infrastructure Investment

VICTORIA, BC (FEBRUARY 17, 2026) — As British Columbia navigates a challenging fiscal environment, the British Columbia Construction Association (BCCA) is pleased to see continued commitment to capital spending on critical infrastructure. BC's construction industry will play a pivotal role in delivering the projects enabled by this funding and advancing major projects that will position BC as a leader on national and international stages.

“Stable, predictable funding for construction and infrastructure contributes directly to economic resilience and job creation, keeping British Columbians housed, healthy, and connected to their communities,” said Chris Atchison, President of the BCCA. “The emphasis on construction and infrastructure development in this Budget validates the critical economic and social importance of our industry.”

British Columbia, alongside the rest of Canada, is facing unprecedented uncertainty driven by ongoing trade disputes and geopolitical pressures. In this volatile environment, project delays pose a growing risk to economic stability, workforce continuity, and the timely delivery of critical infrastructure. To safeguard the province’s economy and maintain momentum, the BC government must continue to recognize and support the construction industry’s central role in keeping projects on track and communities growing.

“Doubling investment in trades training through SkilledTradesBC, streamlining permitting, and establishing the Strategic Investments Special Account are the kind of measures our industry needs to achieve critical goals,” emphasized Atchison, “While Budget 2026 features meaningful commitments to construction, we urge the provincial government to avoid unnecessary delays on key projects such as hospitals and healthcare facilities and continue to push for progress on infrastructure development.”

As the voice for BC's construction industry, BCCA will continue its advocacy to the provincial government to ensure the sector has the workforce, tools, and regulatory environment required to get projects built. BCCA remains firm in our position that a strong, sustainable province and economy are only made possible by a strong, sustainable construction sector.

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