



Kitimat Public Advisory Committee (KPAC)

As part of Rio Tinto's P2 permit requirements, KPAC meets quarterly to share information and receive feedback from community members. Representatives include BC Ministry of Environment, Douglas Channel Watch, KUTE, Kitimat Valley Naturalist, Kitsumkalum First Nation, Kitimat Rod and Gun, Steelhead Society, Kitselas First Nation, Kitimat United Church, Unifor 2301, Kitimat Health Advocacy Group, Environment Canada, District of Kitimat, City of Terrace, Northern Health Authority, Haisla Nation and the Kitimat Chamber of Commerce.

The above photo was taken following the full day December KPAC meeting where representatives received updates, including the full 2013 and 2014 Annual Reports for Sulphur Dioxide, Environmental Effects Monitoring for the KMP.

We encourage our members to contact the Chamber if they have questions or comments they would like brought forward to the KPAC meetings, or if they have questions related to the ongoing Environmental Effects Monitoring program.

Mini Trade Show

The **Kitimat Chamber of Commerce** is hosting our second **Mini TRADE SHOW** at the Riverlodge Recreation Centre on Thursday, February 23, 2017 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Register your Chamber business and be a part of this event by calling the Kitimat Chamber of Commerce. Please register early to avoid disappointment as space is limited to 10 businesses.

Save the date and join us for refreshments while you browse our member's booths. Enter the draws for a chance to win various gift cards and other great prizes.



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Upcoming Events

Kitimat Rail Jam

Friday, January 27, 2017
 4:00 - 6:00 pm Registration
 6:15 pm Competition Starts
 Lower City Centre Parking Lot

Twelve @ 12 - Focus on Tourism

Tuesday, January 31, 2017
 12:00 noon
 Kitimat Chamber of Commerce

Kitimat Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting

Thursday, February 9, 2017
 6:00 pm
 Kitimat Chamber of Commerce

Mini Trade Show

Thursday, February 23, 2017
 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
 Community Room, Riverlodge Recreation Centre

Business Façade Improvement Program

The character and quality of a business is directly impacted by its store front. Even simple changes such as a new paint job, can create a shopping community that is inviting to locals and tourists alike.

The District of Kitimat, in collaboration with the Kitimat Chamber of Commerce, aims to enhance economic development by encouraging private sector investment in façade improvements for existing businesses. This follows other initiatives to help existing Kitimat businesses make improvements, including the Revitalization Tax Exemption program for commercial properties.

Funding for the program is provided by Northern Development Initiative Trust. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis and are reviewed on a first come, first serve basis until the annual budget of the program has been allocated.

To access the full application, visit <http://www.kitimat.ca/EN/main/business/northern-development-programs.html>.

For more information, please contact
District of Kitimat Economic Development:
250-632-8921 | mdewar@kitimat.ca | 270 City Centre

Tax Exemption Program Commercial Zone Revitalization

In an effort to rejuvenate commercial areas, Kitimat Council passed a bylaw providing tax exemption on improvements to "Class 6" buildings. The Commercial Zone Revitalization Tax Exemption Program encourages new construction, enhancement and beautification by offering a five-year tax exemption on the increase in assessed value to a maximum of \$2,000,000.

Eligibility is determined by location, assessment classification, type and value of construction. Projects within Kitimat's Revitalization Areas, which are "Class 6" improvements with a minimum construction value of \$50,000, should qualify. "Class 6" is a term used by BC Assessment. Offices, retail stores, warehouses, hotels and motels all fall within this category. For an existing building, \$25,000 or more must be spent on exterior improvements. Temporary buildings or structures will not be eligible.

If you would like more information about the Revitalization Tax Exemption Program, please contact
District of Kitimat | Dustin Rutsatz | 250-632-8911 or
Community Planning & Development | 250-632-8910

*The **financial success** of your company will be **determined** by the **scale** or **significance** of the **problems** you are **solving** and the **opportunities** you are **creating**.*

Michael Kouly

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- Bottled water service - they provide 18.9 litre bottles of water, small bottles (500-591 ml), ice and more.
- Full office coffee service - they can equip your office with coffee brewers and a wide selection of coffee and other beverages. Whether you are interested in drip / carafe coffee makers or single-cup brewers, they'll provide you with the right products for your office!

Project Update

AltaGas Ridley Island Propane Terminal

AltaGas made positive Final Investment Decision in January 2017 to develop, build and operate the Ridley Island Propane Export Terminal. The project is located on a site sub-leased from Ridley Terminals Inc. on land administered by the Prince Rupert Port Authority.

The Ridley Island Propane Export Terminal is designed to ship up to 1.2 million tonnes of propane per year. Propane from British Columbia and Alberta natural gas producers will be transported to the Facility using the existing CN rail network. It is estimated that the Facility will offload approximately 50-60 rail cars per day and deliver by marine transport approximately 20-30 cargoes of propane per year to market.

Construction is expected to begin in early 2017. The project will include: rail car unloading facilities, refrigeration equipment, power generation, connection to BC Hydro's grid, propane storage tanks, new piping and the addition of new loading arms to RTI's existing berth.

The Ridley Export Terminal is expected to be the first propane export facility on Canada's west coast.

Estimated investment value:	\$450-500 million
Estimated labour force:	200-250 during construction 40-50 operational
Estimated completion date:	Spring 2019

Member Information

WSP Canada Inc.

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Originally founded in Canada, WSP (originally trading as the William Sale Partnership) is a truly international company. Currently ranked among the top 10 professional services firms in the world. In Canada, WSP is one of the largest professional services firms with approximately 8,700 employees, mainly engineers, technicians, scientists, environmental experts and architects, based in all Canadian provinces.

WSP Canada provides services to transform the built environment and restore the natural environment, and their expertise ranges from environmental remediation to urban planning, from engineering iconic buildings to designing sustainable transport networks, and from developing the energy sources of the future to enabling new ways of extracting essential resources.

Kitimat Office Services include:

Geomatics

For more than seven decades, they have offered leading-edge geomatics solutions - whether it's the construction of a plant site, the development of a new drilling program, mapping, legal surveys, monitoring surveys or involvement in some of the biggest industrial and infrastructure projects - land surveyors at WSP are the first on the ground.

Environment

For many years, WSP has provided efficient solutions for the ever-changing environmental issues and regulatory challenges facing industry, government and the general public. The Environment Division specializes in the physical and chemical sciences and the processes that effect land, air and water.

Occupational Health & Safety

WSP's team of professionals, engineers, certified industrial hygienists and technicians offer a wide range of services pertaining to: asbestos, mould, Designated Substances, lead, PCB's, hazardous materials, indoor air quality (IAQ), building occupant nuisance complaints and other potential hazards. Our technicians can also offer Respiratory Fit Testing and Audio Metric Hearing tests using a fully licensed mobile testing facility that allows peace of mind testing with minimum downtime.

Membership Renewals

Kitimat Chamber of Commerce

We have sent out the 2017 Kitimat Chamber of Commerce membership renewals. You may also pay your membership renewal by phoning us with your credit card details.

Did you know that your Kitimat Chamber of Commerce membership includes the following:

- Racking your business card for free at our Chamber's office
- Racking your business brochure for free at our Chamber's office
- Promotion of your business on www.kitimatcommerce.ca with your own landing page
- A variety of discount programs available that help save your company money, from credit card fees to insurance, fuel, etc.



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your next meeting?**

The Kitimat Chamber of Commerce Board Room can seat up to 20 people. Please call for availability 250-632-6294

KITIMAT RAIL JAM 2017

Snowboarding & Skiing Competition

Friday, January 27, 2017

Competition starts 6:15pm

Lower City Centre Parking Lot

FOR INFORMATION, CALL 250-632-8970 OR VISIT WWW.KITIMAT.CA

*Music
Food Vendors
Family Fun*

**Registration \$25
includes T-shirt
4 to 6 pm at Venue
*Cash Only**

