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This summer, we have met hundreds of community members at events like Hats Off Day, Lynn Valley Days, and more. Nova and Solar are now old enough to walk the route and enjoy all of the community festivities.

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Building a Strong and  
Connected Canada

## Dear Friends and Neighbours,

With the House of Commons adjourned for the summer, I've been back in Burnaby North–Seymour, connecting with many of you at community events, on doorsteps, and in local meetings. One topic that has come up often is Bill C-5, the Building Canada Act. I want to take a moment to speak directly about what this legislation does—and the strong protections it includes to ensure responsible, inclusive growth.

The Building Canada Act is focused on growing Canada's economy responsibly, with transparency and partnership at its core. It ensures that major infrastructure and clean energy projects can move forward efficiently—without sacrificing the highest standards of Indigenous consultation and environmental protection. This is about growing the economy, improving affordability, building infrastructure, and creating high-paying, sustainable jobs.

### This new framework

▶ **Respecting Indigenous Rights:** As I write this, the Prime Minister is meeting with Indigenous representatives from across Canada to collaborate on a plan to build a stronger country while upholding Section 35 of the Constitution. Indigenous communities must be consulted throughout the process and be directly involved in economic development, ownership, and participation. This approach aligns with Canada's commitments under UNDRIP.

▶ **Protecting Environmental Standards:** All projects will continue to undergo rigorous impact assessments by existing regulators, including the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada. While environmental protections will remain in place, we are also working to improve the approval process—reducing the timeline for major project decisions from five years to two. It's equally important that good, nation-building projects can proceed, while harmful ones decline quickly. This added certainty will help unlock investment and direct it into projects, communities, and the country at this critical time.

This legislation supports our shared vision of a Single Canadian Economy—removing unnecessary trade barriers, increasing productivity, and lowering costs for Canadians. Experts estimate that eliminating internal trade barriers could grow our economy by up to \$200 billion, creating tens of thousands of new jobs and expanding economic opportunity across the country.

As always, I will continue to bring your voices to Ottawa and advocate for responsible, inclusive policies that reflect our community's values. If you have questions about Bill C-5 or other federal legislation, please don't hesitate to reach out. Our office is here to support you.

In your service,

Terry Beech  
Your Member of Parliament for Burnaby North-Seymour

## TELL US WHAT YOU THINK Your Voice Matters

If you were the Prime Minister of Canada, what issues would you be working on? Feel free to ask your children the same question; we'd love to hear from the whole family!

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YES! I AM INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING. \*\*

\*Fill this out if you or your child wants a birthday card from Terry

\*\*Check this box to be contacted by our team about volunteer opportunities.

# Recent Federal Highlights

This spring, we announced new legislation and programs to strengthen Canada's economy, protect Canadians, create jobs and address complex social challenges.

## NEW LEGISLATION WILL



**Strengthen Tech Supply Chains:** Canada has signed a new agreement with the UK and Quebec-based partners to strengthen domestic semiconductor design, production, and packaging. This collaboration supports innovation in AI, defence, telecom, and energy-efficient data centres, while boosting Canada's leadership in next-generation technology.



**Protect Canadian Steel:** In response to unjust U.S. tariffs, Canada is introducing reciprocal procurement rules, tariff rate quotas, and market protections to stabilize domestic production. New task forces will support ongoing oversight and coordination with provinces.



**Crack Down on Illicit Substances:** Health Canada has launched public consultations on strengthening regulations for precursor chemicals and drug production equipment, as part of a broader effort to disrupt illegal fentanyl production and improve public safety.

## Investing in Local Sustainable Energy

Canada's clean energy transition is well underway—and British Columbia is at the forefront. From Indigenous-led hydrogen projects to international investment, B.C. is showing what's possible when we align innovation, sustainability, and reconciliation.

In July, we announced a \$4.5 million federal investment in Salish Elements, an Indigenous-led clean energy company co-founded by a member of the Tsleil-Waututh Nation. Their new facility, powered by renewable electricity, will use electrolysis to produce green hydrogen—a zero-emissions fuel that can decarbonize heavy transport, power remote communities, and reduce emissions in hard-to-electrify sectors. Construction is expected to begin by 2026, with funding provided through the Indigenous-led stream of the Clean Fuels Fund.

This project is a key pillar in B.C.'s broader hydrogen strategy, alongside HTEC, which is rapidly scaling up hydrogen fueling and delivery infrastructure across the province, and The Hydrogen Hub at Simon Fraser University, which supports research, workforce development, and clean energy policy.

B.C.'s hydrogen ecosystem is further strengthened by global investment and next-generation technology. In 2024, Volvo Group made a major foreign direct investment in Vancouver-based Westport Fuel Systems to commercialize hydrogen-compatible engines using High-Pressure Direct Injection (HPDI) technology. This innovation allows existing diesel engines and equipment to run on clean fuels, preserving the value of legacy assets while slashing emissions.

Together, these initiatives form a connected hydrogen value chain:

- Production: Indigenous and private-sector partners like Salish Elements generate clean hydrogen.
- Infrastructure: Companies like HTEC deliver it to where it's needed.
- Conversion: Westport's HPDI technology retrofits legacy equipment to run on clean fuels.
- Innovation: SFU and its partners train the workforce and develop policies to sustain growth.

This is how British Columbia, and Canada, are building a world-class hydrogen ecosystem: one that creates good jobs, drives down emissions, and positions us as global leaders in clean energy. At the heart of this strategy is a clear commitment to Indigenous leadership, climate responsibility, and local innovation—ensuring that our economic future is both inclusive and sustainable.



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