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## LOCAL NEWS

### **UBCM proposes increased support for solar panels, water systems**

Source: Western Investor

Movement to renewable energy sources and away from fossil fuels would benefit from the support of the BC Government, to add financial incentives for building owners to install more sustainable forms of energy.

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### **AC/BC: air conditioning use leads to higher summer electricity demand in B.C.**

Source: BC Hydro

Since 2017, air conditioning use has increased by 12 per cent during the summer months as climate change makes it a necessity.

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### **Cost of gas rates remain steady for majority of FortisBC customers**

Source: FortisBC

The British Columbia Utilities Commission approved FortisBC keeping natural gas rates the same except in Fort Nelson, which will see a slight increase.

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### **Third intake open for mass timber construction funding**

Source: Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation

The Government of British Columbia is investing \$2 million in its third round of mass timber projects, adding to the \$5.4 million it already invested.

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## B.C. invests in cleaner, more innovative industry

Source: Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

The CleanBC Industry Fund is investing \$25 million in projects to reduce emissions and fast-track innovations on future reductions.

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## RENEWABLE ENERGY

### New UBC rental housing building for staff features rooftop solar panels

Source: DailyHive Urbanized

The University of British Columbia completed new staff housing using the green Passive House design, making it one of the largest residential buildings in Canada to do so.

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### Northern B.C. hydrogen station the world's largest

Source: Castanet

Hydra Energy broke ground on the world's largest hydrogen refueling station, which will be located in Prince George and marks the company's first project in its western Canadian hydrogen corridor.

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## NATIONAL NEWS

### Feds, British Columbia put more than \$20 million towards green infrastructure

Source: Journal of Commerce by ConstructConnect

The governments of Canada and British Columbia announced millions of dollars' worth of investment in green infrastructure in the province as part of the Canada Infrastructure Program.

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## ENERGY-EFFICIENT BUILDINGS

### Matidor and Arup to partner on smart city management

Source: SustainableBiz

Vancouver-based project management company, Matidor, is partnering with environment consulting firm Arup Group Ltd., in order to assist organizations in achieving energy efficiency, during the small city modelling process.

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### Standard will assess carbon across whole building life cycle

Source: REMI Network

ASHRAE and the International Code Council proposed the standard Evaluating Greenhouse Gas (GHG) and Carbon Emissions in Building Design, Construction and Operation, which will provide consistent procedure to measure building emissions.

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## Beyond Efficiency: Understanding the Occupant-Focused Benefits of Daylighting

Source: FacilitiesNet

Daylighting, or relying on natural sunlight for a building's lighting, has fallen out of favor as a means of conserving energy, but the occupants of the building experience health benefits from the exposure to sunlight.

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## BOMA BC ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

### BOMA BEST® 3.0



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