

# Critical Incident Secretariat (CIS)

## Situational Awareness Update

Policing and Security Branch  
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

### OBJECTIVE

The Critical Incident Secretariat (CIS) serves as a centralized hub for situational awareness across British Columbia (BC), with a focus on protests related to the natural resources sector. The CIS assists the Policing and Security Branch (PSB) within the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General (PSSG) by facilitating the sharing of relevant, timely, and critical information.

The Secretariat meets regularly with police and cross-government representatives to monitor protests tied to key resource and environmental projects, including the Coastal GasLink Pipeline, Woodfibre LNG, the Prince Rupert Gas Transmission (PRGT), and the Trans Mountain Expansion, among others. The Secretariat also maintains situational awareness of ongoing Climate Action initiatives and Treaty negotiations.

The CIS meets bi-weekly, every Monday at 10:30AM, but additional meetings may be called as needed on an ad-hoc basis and standing meetings may be rescheduled due to statutory holidays.

### REPORT

#### Report Information

Meeting date	2026-01-12	Compiled by	s. 15	PSB, PSSG
Attendees	PSSG, BCER, ECS, EAO, FOR, BC RCMP			

#### Updates

Recent Updates	RCMP Response
<b>Woodfibre LNG Eagle Mountain Pipeline</b>	
Construction continues to advance at the Woodfibre LNG site. CRU-BC Intel continues to monitor opposition to this project; however, at this time there are no major protests or disruptions planned. Source: RCMP	CRU-BC Intel continues to monitor opposition; no indicators of major protests or disruptions at this time.
<b>Prince Rupert Gas Transmission Line (PRGT)</b>	
Construction for the PRGT pipeline continues, as does opposition. The Federal Government has announced that the pipeline has been added to the list of projects deemed for fast tracking	CRU-BC Intel is actively monitoring developments and community dynamics.

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<p>under the new “One Canada Economy Act”, which allows it to be potentially deemed in the “National Interest” to fast track the project.</p> <p>As a result, there are now multiple ongoing legal avenues being sought to stop the pipeline, however no direct action has occurred to date since the temporary occupation of the Cranberry Junction.</p> <p>PM Mark Carney attended the area on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026, for a meeting with members o the Coastal First Nations. No issues to report.</p> <p>Source: RCMP</p>	
<b>Fairy Creek / Walbran Main Road</b>	
<p>On December 8, 2025, CRU-BC returned to the Walbran area to re-open the roadway and enforce the injunction after protestors re-occupied the Walbran FSR shortly after the departure of RCMP resources on November 26, 2025.</p> <p>Although some key participants, primarily Mohawk activists from Ontario, have since departed, other protestors continue to occupy areas of the Walbran valley.</p> <p>Source: RCMP</p>	<p>A total of fourteen arrests for breach/contempt of the civil injunction have now occurred from both rounds of enforcement.</p> <p>Lake Cowichan RCMP continue to investigate the arson on two logging trucks and an excavator that had been set ablaze, in early January, with an estimated loss at around three million dollars.</p> <p>CRU-BC Intel continues to monitor online activity and protest indicators.</p>
<b>Cedar LNG</b>	
<p>Contractor on the Cedar Link Project (feeder line connecting the existing Coastal GasLink pipeline to the new Cedar LNG facility) reported receiving a threatening email, which was deemed low risk.</p> <p>BCER and RCMP were advised on the matter when it occurred.</p> <p>RCMP members on the CIS call noted CRU had not yet been briefed by the local detachment; authorities are taking the matter seriously with current limited information.</p> <p>Source: BCER</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Regulatory, Direct Action and Legal Committee (RDALC) North – Additional Updates

**Meeting Date: 2026-01-14**

- *ONGOING: Reports from PSB should be shared with CIS to brief executive leadership on potential direct action, ensuring cross-government awareness. Members must keep their agencies informed. Current process remains, with flexibility for ad hoc meetings if circumstances escalate.*



Public Order and Critical Incident Update  
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**OBJECTIVE**

The Public Order and Critical Incident Update assist the Policing and Security Branch (PSB) and Police of Jurisdiction (POJ) in sharing relevant, timely, and critical information with each other to help monitor, manage, and/or respond to public order and critical incidents across the province.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Please complete this report and send to [s. 15](#) and [s. 15](#) every Tuesday morning.
- PSB will amalgamate all POJ's reports and distribute an Integrated Public Order and Critical Incident Update every Wednesday morning.
- Public Order and Critical Incident Meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 3:30pm – 4:30pm, with the option to call additional meetings as required, and increase frequency as the protest landscape shifts.

**Report Information**

Police service	RCMP	Report author	PSE Elke LUEM
Report date	2026-01-06		

**Week in Review**

Event	Date	Participan ts (Number)	Personnel (Number)	Tactics	CC Offences + Charges Recommended	Remarks
Public Order Events	Continuous					CRU-BC reviews public order events occurring within RCMP POJs, including those related to the Palestine / Israel conflict, anti-Sogi protests, anti-mandate / freedom rallies, pro-Khalistan demonstrations, and other spontaneous events.
Woodfibre LNG Eagle Mountain Pipeline	ongoing					Construction continues to advance at the Woodfibre LNG site. CRU-BC Intel continues to monitor

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Fairy Creek Watershed/Walbran Main Road	ongoing					<p>On January 2, 2026, around 0900 hrs., Lake Cowichan RCMP responded to a report of two logging trucks and an excavator that had been set ablaze overnight. The fire seemed to have been intentionally started with the use of an accelerant and flares.</p> <p>The estimated loss from this incident amounts to around three million dollars. Notably, the site of the arson is situated 6-8 kms from the ongoing Walbran protests.</p>

## Upcoming Events

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## Regional Events

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