

## DECEMBER 21, 2023

## CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY FOLLOWING MYRA MINE SUSPENSION The City's focus at this time is supporting workers and local businesses impacted.

On December 18, 2023, Myra Falls Mine Ltd. filed for protection under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and suspended active mining and milling operations at the Myra Falls mine. The Myra Falls mine and milling operation has been placed on indefinite care and maintenance.

"The City is disappointed to hear that Myra Falls Mine Ltd. is suspending active mining and milling operations, and recognizes the significant and far-reaching impacts this announcement will have on many residents, businesses and families in Campbell River, especially around the holidays," says Kermit Dahl, Mayor, City of Campbell River. "The City's focus at this time is supporting the workers and local businesses impacted by this announcement, and connecting with the many agencies and governments in place to ensure that supports and services are available to those in need."

The City of Campbell River (the City) has partnered with Community Transition Services, led by the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Development and Innovation, to work collaboratively with First Nations, the employer, the union and community partners to support impacted workers and their families and attempt to ease negative effects for the community. These services will focus on worker transition services, to address the needs of the impacted workers and contractors; economic development, to connect communities and their residents with available resources to help manage the stress and uncertainty associated with economic disruption; and community and local government services, to assist the community in implementing economic development and diversification plans, building on existing work, assets, and partnerships.

North Island Employment Foundations Society, the WorkBC Centre for the region, has qualified and knowledgeable staff available to help individuals through the process of being laid off and what to do next. For more information, visit <u>www.niefs.net</u> or email <u>info@niefs.net</u>.

For information on the supports available and what the City is doing, visit <u>www.campbellriver.ca/mining-sector</u>. Please reach out to <u>invest@campbellriver.ca</u> with any questions.

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