

SHUSWAP

CONSTRUCTION SECTOR PROFILE



THE SHUSWAP BUILDS

Market Overview

In the last two decades, construction in Columbia Shuswap Regional District Areas C, D, F, and G has evolved into a small-scale, highly localized industry shaped by housing demand, seasonal recreational property, and amenity migration. Since the 1990s, activity has focused on custom homes, renovations, vacation properties, and incremental density such as secondary suites, delivered primarily by owner-operators and regional trades. Over the past decade, labour shortages, rising material costs, tighter building codes, and wildfire and flood recovery have further defined the sector, increasing demand for resilient building practices, infrastructure upgrades, and modular or off-site solutions. Construction now functions as a critical enabling industry, translating population change, reinvestment, and environmental factors into dynamic community building.



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THE FORESTRY - CONSTRUCTION LINK: FROM FOREST TO FRAME... BUILDING THE FUTURE.

Forestry produces the timber, lumber, and engineered wood that construction depends on. Construction is the destination for forestry's value - taking natural resources and turning them into homes, buildings, and infrastructure. Forestry employs loggers, mill workers, and transporters. The construction sector is very diverse, as it includes not just carpenters and contractors, but also equipment operators, surveyors, electricians, plumbers, engineers, masons, concrete suppliers, building supply staff, along with many other trades and services. Together, the two sectors create a jobs and growth engine for the Shuswap. Even as the economy diversifies, forestry and construction remain a structural backbone of the region's development story.

CONSTRUCTION SECTOR AT A GLANCE

CANADA

Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) — “Mass timber construction in Canada” [resource page](#).

BC

Construction accounts for about 10.3% of B.C.'s GDP (2022 data) according to the province's [Financial & Economic Review](#).

[Investment Pipeline](#) - the estimated value of major construction projects underway in B.C.: Spring 2025 stat-pack lists \$158 billion. The value of proposed construction projects: \$172.5 billion (Spring 2025) and some decline compared to earlier highs.

BC Market Sizing & Growth Forecasts:

- Prefabricated / modular construction (Canada) Canada's prefab/modular output at CAD \$18–19 B in 2024, growing at 5–5.5% CAGR to roughly CAD\$22–23 B by 2028. (prefab includes volumetric modular, panelized systems, pods). Src: [Journal of Commerce](#).
- If Canada's prefab/modular market is CAD\$18.5 B (2024) and BC historically accounts for 20–25% of national construction/manufacturing value in Western Canada clusters (given the province's size, mass-timber leadership and construction demand), a conservative BC slice of the national prefab market is CAD\$3.5–4.5 B in 2024, rising with national growth and BC policy support. Src: [Journal of Commerce](#).

CENTRAL/NORTH OKANAGAN

-For purpose of this profile, this sector includes Construction and Wood Products Manufacturing, with Mass Timber / Modular / Pre-Fabricated embedded in broader Residential building construction, Veneer, plywood and engineered wood product manufacturing, and Other wood products manufacturing NAIC codes-

The Central and North Okanagan lies within 40 minutes to 2 hours of Shuswap Areas C, D, F, G, forming both part of the larger construction and forestry value-add ecosystem with respect to value and supply chain investment opportunities, in addition to a products and services market for Shuswap enterprise.

- Central/North Okanagan Construction Jobs (2025): 17,729 (10% of total employment, 34% growth 2015-2025). Top sub-sectors (in order): building equipment contractors (4,709), residential building construction (4,015), building finishing contractors (2,539), foundation / structure / building exterior contractors (2,429), other specialty trade contractors (1,494).

- Central/North Okanagan Construction Exports (2022 – latest input-output modeling available): \$1.56 B (9.3% of total exports). Key exports: residential building construction (58% of sector exports).
- Central/North Okanagan Construction Employment Projection (2025-2031): 807 (5% of sector jobs).
- Central/North Okanagan Construction Key Imported Purchases (Enterprise Import Replacement Opportunities) (2022 – latest input-output modeling available): 1) Architectural, engineering and related services (\$259 M total purchases, 54% imported); 2) Architectural and structural metals manufacturing (\$206 M total purchases, 60% imported); 3) Plastic products manufacturing (\$121 M total purchases, 71% imported); 4) Other wood products manufacturing (\$111 M total purchases, 25% imported); 5) Cement and concrete product manufacturing (\$99 M total purchases, 45% imported); 6) Support activities for mining (\$98 M total purchases, 59% imported); 7) Other electrical and equipment component manufacturing (\$79 M total purchases, 77% imported); 8) Other fabricated metal product manufacturing (\$65 M total purchases, 73% imported); 9) Lumber, millwork, hardware and other building supplies merchant wholesalers (\$64 M total purchases, 34% imported); 10) Ventilation, heating, air-conditioning and commercial refrigeration equipment manufacturing (\$62 M total purchases, 89% imported).
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Src: Lightcast.

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The "Shuswap" lies within 30 minutes to 1 hour of a location within Columbia Shuswap Regional District Areas C, D, F, and G, forming both part of the larger construction and forestry value-add ecosystem with respect to value and supply chain investment opportunities, in addition to a products and services market for enterprise located in the Columbia Shuswap Regional District. For purpose of data in this profile, the Shuswap is defined as Village of Chase, Neskonlith (First Nation), City of Salmon Arm, Columbia Shuswap Areas C, D, E, F, District of Sicamous, and Quaaout 1 (First Nation).

- **Construction Jobs** (2025): 2,122 (10.5% of total employment, 46% growth 2015-2025). Top sub-sectors (in order): residential building construction (683), building equipment contractors (468), building finishing contractors (450), highway / street / bridge construction

(173).

- **Construction Exports** (2022 – latest input-output modeling available): \$112 M (4.3% of total exports*). Key exports: residential building construction (60% of sector exports).
- **Construction Employment Projection** (2025-2031): 101 (5% of sector jobs).
- **Construction Key Imported Purchases** (Enterprise Import Replacement Opportunities) (2022 – latest input-output modeling available): 1) Architectural, engineering and related services (\$16.8 M total purchases, 72% imported); 2) Architectural and related structural metals manufacturing (\$15 M total purchases, 30% imported); 3) Other wood product manufacturing (\$10 M total purchases, 100% imported); 4) Plastic product manufacturing (\$9.8 M total purchases, 74% imported); 5) Cement and concrete product manufacturing (\$6.8 M total purchases, 27% imported).

Source: Lightcast.

COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT AREAS C, D, F, G

- **Construction Jobs** (2025): 911 (21.1% of total employment, 77% growth 2015-2025). Top sub-sectors: Building equipment contractors (265), Building finishing contractors (255), Residential building construction (238), Highway, street and bridge construction (94), Foundation, structure, and building exterior contractors (38), Land subdivision (22)
- **Construction Self-Employment** (2025): 623 (14.4% of total employment, 127% growth 2015-2015). Top sub-sectors: Building finishing contractors (255), Residential building construction (203), Building equipment contractors (94), Foundation, structure, and building exterior contractors (38).
- **Construction Exports** (2022 – last year available): \$50.2 M (15.4% of total exports*) *2022 (latest input-output modeling available). Key exports (in order): building equipment contractors, residential building construction, highway / street / bridge construction.
- Construction Employment Projection (2025-2031): 45 (5% of sector jobs). Leading sub-sector growth: building equipment contractors, residential building construction, highway, street and bridge construction.
- **Construction Key Imported Purchases** (Enterprise Import Replacement Opportunities) (2022 – last year available): 1) Architectural, engineering and related services (\$4.9 M total purchases, 99% imported); 2) Architectural and structural metals manufacturing (\$3.8 M total purchases, 100% imported); 3) Support activities for mining (\$2.4 M total purchases, 48% imported); 4) Other wood product manufacturing (\$1.8 M total purchases, 100% imported); 5) Cement and concrete product manufacturing (\$1.7 M total purchases, 83% imported).

Source: Lightcast.

Average Wages

\$64,552 – Columbia Shuswap C, D, F, G

\$74,838 – BC

Source: Lightcast. 2022 latest input-output modeling available.

The BC Government produces a [wage survey](#) that indicates weekly earnings by industry sector/location.

[BC Workforce Profile](#) (Thompson Okanagan)

Construction Companies

Columbia Shuswap Regional District:

Home-Builders / General Contractors

- [Baywest Manufacturing Inc.](#) – log and timber frame home manufacturer
- Bush Mountain Construction Ltd. (Blind Bay). t: 250.675.5244
- Carlo Bordin Contracting Ltd. (Sorrento) t: 250.833.6866
- [Copper Island Fine Homes Inc.](#) (Blind Bay)
- [JOMACH Construction](#) (Celista)
- [K. Johnson Building](#) (Tappen)
- [Lakeview Homes](#) (Blind Bay)
- [Launch Construction Ltd.](#) (Blind Bay)
- [Leach Custom Homes](#) (Sorrento)
- [Moniz Contracting](#) (Sorrento)
- [Sandy Ridge Construction Ltd.](#) (Tappen)
- [Shuswap Country Builders](#) (Sorrento)

Excavation / Earthworks / Site Prep

- Hatch & Kostal Construction Ltd. (Tappen) t: 250.253.0266
- [KNN Contracting Ltd.](#) (Tappen)
- [Kuemper Bros.](#) (sand and gravel) (Tappen)
- [Laverne Turner Contracting Ltd.](#) (Tappen)
- [Lessard Excavating Ltd.](#) (Blind Bay)
- [Pavement Solutions Inc.](#) (Sorrento)
- [Ridgeback Earthworks](#) (Blind Bay)
- [Winco Earthworks](#) (Tappen)
- Winning Contracting (Tappen) t: 250.833.9025
- [Zappone Aggregate Processors](#) (Tappen)

Building Components

- [Tanemura Electric](#) (Tappen)
- [Triple G Windows](#) (Tappen)

Nearby (Salmon Arm, Home-building):

- [Green Emerald Construction](#) (Salmon Arm)
- [Hindbo Construction](#) (Salmon Arm)
- [McDiarmid Construction](#) (Salmon Arm)
- [Redpoint Construction Ltd.](#) (Salmon Arm)
- [Rooke Construction Inc.](#) (Salmon Arm) additions/renovations, commercial, landscaping.
- [Triple D Construction Ltd.](#) (Salmon Arm)

For a construction directory: [Shuswap Construction Industry Professionals](#).

Recent/Current Construction Pipeline

- [Shuswap North Okanagan Rail Trail](#) – conversion of former rail corridor into 50 km multi-use trail. Multi-year project funded by federal, provincial, and local sources. Work includes site prep, earthworks, bridges and crossings, signage, and access points.
- **Scotch Creek Water System Expansion** (North Shuswap Area F) - new water distribution system, treatment plant, trunk mains, and lake intake expansion to increase capacity and service coverage in Scotch Creek and surrounding communities. Completed Fall 2025.
- [New Scotch Creek-Lee Creek Fire Station](#) - new fire station is being constructed in Scotch Creek to replace the facility lost in the 2023 wildfire.
- **Shuswap (Secwépemc) Healing Centre** — Sicamous - new \$10 M health and wellness facility backed by federal and provincial funding on Main Street in Sicamous. Completed Spring 2025
- **Highway and Transportation Work** – Tappen/Chase/Sicamous/Salmon Arm - work by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure continues on the [Trans-Canada Highway](#) through the Shuswap region, including widening stretches and improving safety and connectivity.
- **Residential Development** - Salmon Arm - [proposal for 354 residential units along Turner Creek](#).

List of Infrastructure Projects

- [Columbia Shuswap Regional District](#)
- [Salmon Arm](#)
- [Regional District of North Okanagan](#)
- [Kelowna](#)
- [Regional District of Central Okanagan](#)

Residential Development Demand

There is significant housing construction activity in the Shuswap and North/Central Okanagan. Housing starts within 2 hrs (one-way, Kelowna):

								Nov	8 Yr Average
Regional District	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
Columbia Shuswap	306	336	368	545	429	340	880	546	469
North Okanagan	628	625	498	494	551	581	355	737	559
Central Okanagan	2897	3036	1696	3732	3017	4011	1938	1972	2787

Src: [BC Stats](#)

SHUSWAP TARGET INDUSTRY: CONSTRUCTION



COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

The Columbia Shuswap Regional District presents a high opportunity market for construction enterprises looking to capitalize on strong local demand driven by regional population and building growth. Investors can establish or expand businesses in residential, commercial, and infrastructure construction, leveraging local forestry value add, skilled labour availability, and established supply chains.

For skilled trades, the Shuswap offers a dynamic environment with consistent project pipelines across housing, commercial, and infrastructure sectors. Trades professionals can benefit from stable work, training and apprenticeship opportunities, and the ability to support both local growth and export-oriented construction and forestry value-add export activity.

Why Shuswap?

- ✓ **Regional Economic Leader** – construction drives employment and GDP as the Columbia Shuswap Regional District's (Areas C, D, F, G) largest industry sector.
- ✓ **Land to Expand** – acreage lands/selected industrial land enable construction businesses.
- ✓ **Gateway to Growth Markets** – ideally positioned to serve growing Shuswap and Okanagan demand.
- ✓ **Infrastructure Ready** – roads, utilities, and servicing enable fast, cost-effective development.

WHY SHUSWAP?

A photograph of a building under construction. The image shows the wooden frame of the structure, including vertical studs and horizontal joists. The walls are partially covered with oriented strand board (OSB) sheathing. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The overall scene is bright and sunny, suggesting a clear day.

THE SHUSWAP OFFERS A UNIQUE COMBINATION OF STRONG REGIONAL BUILDING DEMAND, POPULATION GROWTH, AND ACCESSIBLE RESOURCES, MAKING IT AN IDEAL HUB FOR CONSTRUCTION ENTERPRISES AND SKILLED TRADES. LOCAL FORESTRY VALUE-ADD PROVIDES A RELIABLE SUPPLY OF TIMBER AND ENGINEERED WOOD PRODUCTS, SHORTENING SUPPLY CHAINS AND IMPROVING MARGINS. THE REGION'S STRATEGIC LOCATION ALSO ENABLES FIRMS TO SERVE BROADER MARKETS IN BC (INCLUDING METRO VANCOUVER), AND ALBERTA (INCLUDING CALGARY REGION), CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOTH LOCAL PROJECTS AND INTERPROVINCIAL EXPANSION. WITH AN AVAILABLE SKILLED WORKFORCE, SUPPORTIVE LOCAL POLICIES, AND EMERGING INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS, THE SHUSWAP DELIVERS STABILITY, GROWTH POTENTIAL, AND COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE FOR CONSTRUCTION BUSINESSES AND TRADES PROFESSIONALS ALIKE.

VALUE CHAIN GAPS

Current Columbia Shuswap – Areas C, D, F, G Value-Chain Gaps

Value chain gaps occur where the flow of goods, services, or information is weak, costly, or underserved – and therefore where opportunities for new entrants are most often found.

1. Skilled Labour & Trades Shortage

Gap: Persistent shortages of skilled trades, construction supervisors, and equipment operators, driven by an aging workforce, and competition from urban and resource megaprojects.

Impact: Project delays and cost escalation; Reduced capacity to deliver housing, infrastructure, and commercial builds; Contractors decline work or limit growth due to labour constraints.

Opportunity:

- Invest in training hubs and apprenticeship programs: launch local trade schools, certification programs, or partnership initiatives with high schools and colleges to upskill workers in carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and equipment operation.
- Business growth: Companies can expand capacity by partnering with training providers to secure a reliable, locally sourced workforce.

2. Limited Local Construction Supply & Fabrication Capacity

Gap: Insufficient local suppliers and fabricators for key construction inputs such as pre-cut lumber packages, trusses, prefabricated components, concrete products, and specialty finishes.

Impact: Heavy reliance on distant suppliers increases costs and timelines; Scheduling uncertainty cascades across project phases; Local firms are disadvantaged compared to urban competitors with deeper supply chains.

Opportunity:

- Invest in local prefabrication and supply businesses: Establish modular building, truss manufacturing, or pre-cut lumber/fabrication facilities to serve regional projects.
- Business growth: Construction firms can vertically integrate by co-investing in local supply or creating joint ventures with fabrication businesses to reduce costs and timelines.

3. Small Firm Scale & Fragmented Industry Structure

Gap: Construction activity is dominated by small, independent firms with limited capacity to scale, coordinate, or bid on larger or more complex projects.

Impact: Difficulty delivering multi-unit, mixed-use, or infrastructure projects; Limited adoption of modern project delivery methods; Higher per-unit costs due to inefficiencies.

Opportunity:

- Support collaborative contracting and consortia models: Encourage small firms to form alliances or shared-service networks to bid on larger projects and adopt modern delivery methods.
- Business growth: Scale operations through shared resources (equipment, labor pools, project management), enabling access to multi-unit housing, commercial, or public projects.

4. Housing Availability for Construction Workforce

Gap: Limited availability of affordable and attainable housing near worksites, particularly in rural and recreational areas.

Impact: Challenge attracting and retaining workers; Higher wage pressures and commuting costs; Reduced project feasibility, especially for seasonal or short-term work.

Opportunity:

- Develop workforce housing projects: partner with local government or developers to provide affordable housing near worksites.
- Business growth: attract and retain skilled labor, reducing turnover and project delays, while creating additional local construction demand.

5. Capital Access & Productivity Gaps

Gap: Limited access to financing and low adoption of productivity-enhancing technologies.

Impact: Fewer locally led housing and commercial developments; Over-reliance on external developers for larger projects; Conservative project sizing that underdelivers against demand.

Opportunity:

- Create local construction finance solutions: offer specialized loans, bonding, or investment vehicles for small- and mid-sized builders.
- Invest in modular, prefabrication, and digital construction technologies.

6. Weak Integration Between Construction, Forestry, and Local Manufacturing

Gap: Construction activity is poorly linked to local forestry value-add and manufacturing, limiting use of locally produced wood products and components.

Impact: Construction materials are sourced externally even when local inputs exist; Missed opportunities for coordinated supply and innovation; Lack of place-based construction identity.

Opportunity:

- Develop integrated “wood economy” partnerships: Connect local mills, engineered wood producers, and builders to supply regional projects with locally sourced materials.
- Business growth: Capture higher value from local timber, reduce transport costs, and create regional brand identity for sustainable, locally sourced construction.

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Shuswap construction sector offers strategic investment opportunities that leverage strong local demand, workforce potential, and linkages to regional value chains. Key areas include residential and mixed-use development, modular and prefabricated building systems, workforce housing, construction technology adoption, and integrated supplier networks. Investments that address workforce shortages, improve local supply chain capacity, or introduce modern construction methods can capture value currently lost to external markets, accelerate project delivery, and strengthen long-term regional economic resilience. By aligning with local forestry value-add, infrastructure growth, and community needs, construction investments can generate stable returns while amplifying local job creation and economic retention.

For trades and construction companies, the Columbia Shuswap Regional District Areas C, D, F, G offers:

1. Distributed demand: residential, institutional, civil, and tourism projects.
2. Recurring revenue streams: maintenance, retrofits, modular construction.
3. Strategic value chain gaps: logistics, prefab, project management, specialized trades.
4. Expansion potential: modular manufacturing to serve nearby urban markets.

Specific opportunity spaces that align with a Shuswap economic profile and value proposition are as follows:

① LAND DEVELOPMENT & PREP

Opportunities for: Surveyors, earthworks, excavation, permitting specialists: Lot prep for residential & seasonal housing – grading, clearing, drainage, and wildfire defensible space; Rural subdivision services – small-scale subdivision planning, access roads, and utility installation; Site-specific environmental consulting – wetland, slope, and erosion assessments; Geotechnical studies & soil testing – hillside and lakeshore development requires careful prep.

② MATERIAL SUPPLY & LOGISTICS

Opportunities for: suppliers, transport, storage, rentals: Local lumber, aggregates, and building materials distribution – reduce reliance on Metro Vancouver deliveries; Tool, equipment, and machinery rental hubs – especially for small trades and seasonal workers; Transport services – semi-trailers for modular or panelized building components; Material recycling and salvage yards – sustainable construction and renovation projects.

③ CONSTRUCTION & TRADES

Opportunities for: Contractors, trade specialists, modular builders; Residential construction & renovations – custom homes, lake cabins, cottages, and multi-unit dwellings; Modular/prefab construction – small factories producing panels or modules for local demand or export to Vancouver, Calgary, or the Okanagan; Institutional projects – fire halls, health centres, schools, municipal buildings; Civil infrastructure – water systems, sewage upgrades, roads, trails, and docks; Specialized trades – carpentry, plumbing, electrical, HVAC, roofing, masonry, welding, concrete.

④ PROJECT SUPPORT & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Opportunities for: PMs, engineers, designers, inspectors; Project management & construction coordination – for multi-phase residential, institutional, and municipal builds; Architectural and structural engineering – especially in wildfire-resistant and lakefront design; Regulatory consulting – permitting, code compliance, environmental approvals; Construction finance & insurance services – specialty insurance for rural builds and modular projects.

⑤ MAINTENANCE RETROFIT & AFTER-MARKET

Opportunities for: Trades, handymen, specialty maintenance firms; Property upkeep for seasonal and retirement homes – roofing, painting, landscaping, septic maintenance; Wildfire and flood resilience retrofits – defensible space, fireproof siding, energy-efficient insulation; Energy efficiency upgrades – solar, heat pumps, smart home systems; Community infrastructure maintenance – docks, boardwalks, fire halls, trails.

⑥ NICHE & ADJACENT OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities for: Innovative builders, small entrepreneurs, tourism infrastructure specialists; Prefab cabins, agrihood structures, and small resorts – vacation rentals, lodges, glamping pods; Tourism infrastructure – campgrounds, docks, picnic shelters, trailheads; Agricultural & light industrial builds – barns, storage, greenhouses, farm infrastructure; Sustainable/green construction – low-carbon materials, modular, solar-ready designs.

CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS RESOURCES & INCENTIVES

Expansion-focused financing/export programs, R&D & industry supports, and housing/modular construction-specific programs.

SHUSWAP

Chambers of Commerce

Business advocacy & connections.

- [North Shuswap Chamber of Commerce](#) - business advocacy & connections.
- [South Shuswap Chamber of Commerce](#) - business advocacy & connections.
- [Salmon Arm Chamber of Commerce](#) - business advocacy & connections.

Community Futures Shuswap

Business and economic development services. Primary local touchpoint for financing and business coaching.

- [Launch-a-Preneur Program](#) - fostering new business start-ups in the region by encouraging participants to support one another as they build their businesses from concept to launch.
- [Business Toolkit](#) - Downloadable templates for business planning, cash flow analysis, legal checklists, and loan applications.

[Okanagan Manufacturing Database](#)

[Shuswap Business Support Hub](#)

Centralized resource for business support in the Shuswap - includes mentorship, help with business plans, financing, marketing.

BC

BC Government

- [Taking action in BC's forest sector](#)
- [Policies/programs](#)

[BC Manufacturing Jobs Fund \(BCMJF\)](#)

Capital funding to modernize and expand manufacturing projects in B.C., including value-added wood projects (intakes vary; check current status). Good for equipment, plant expansion.

[BC Manufacturing and Processing Investment Tax Credit](#)

15% (up to \$2 million investment, maximum credit \$300,000) refundable tax credit for businesses that make investments into machines, buildings, or equipment used in manufacturing and processing efforts. Available for investments made on or after April 1, 2026 until March 31, 2031.

[WorkBC](#)

Supports for forestry workers, businesses, and employers.

BC Associations

- [BC Construction Safety Alliance](#) (BCCSA)
- [BC Floor Covering Association](#)
- [BC Road Builders & Heavy Construction Association](#)
- [BC Sheet Metal Association](#) (SMACNA-BC)
- [Canadian Home Builders' Association of British Columbia](#) (CHBA BC)
- [Canadian Masonry Contractors Association of BC](#)
- [Construction Labour Relations Association of BC](#) (CLRA-BC)
- [Independent Contractors and Businesses Association](#) (ICBA)
- [Mechanical Contractors Association of BC](#)
- [Roofing Contractors Association of BC](#)

CANADA

[Business Development Bank of Canada \(BDC\)](#)

Provides financing, advisory services, and learning resources tailored to innovation and technology adoption.

[BDC / EDC Partnership Services](#)

Combined debt, advisory and export finance to support capital expansion and cross-border sales.

[Canadian Wood Council / Mass Timber Roadmap / Transition Accelerator](#)

Industry advocacy, coding guidance, and roadmaps for growing mass-timber markets and supply chains. Helpful for regulations, design guidance, and market strategy.

[CMHC - Affordable Housing Innovation Fund & Rapid Housing / Affordable Housing Fund Streams](#)

Funding streams that can support innovative modular / off-site solutions and demonstration housing projects; often open to private builders working with municipalities/non-profits. Good route if your modular tech targets affordable or rapid housing.

[Export Development Canada \(EDC\) & Trade Commissioner Service / CanExport](#)

Export financing, insurance, market-development grants (CanExport) and Trade Commissioner help to enter new markets for value-added wood products or modular buildings.

[FPInnovations](#)

National non-profit R&D centre for forestry and wood products. Offers technical expertise (mass timber, engineered wood, manufacturing optimization), labs, and industry projects. Ideal partner for prototyping, testing and code/standards support.

Natural Resources Canada

- [Forest sector funding programs](#)
- [Green Construction through Wood](#) (GCWood) demonstration funding - aimed at demonstrating and de-risking wood-based construction systems (mass timber, hybrid) - a direct fit for modular timber projects.
- [Forest Innovation Program](#) - supports early-stage innovation projects and networks in the forest sector. Good for consortium R&D proposals.

[NRC — Industrial Research Assistance Program](#) (IRAP)

Technical/advisory support and possible wage-subsidy funding for R&D and commercialization of new manufacturing or construction technologies.

[Provincial & Federal Clean-Tech / Decarbonization Funding](#)

(various streams)

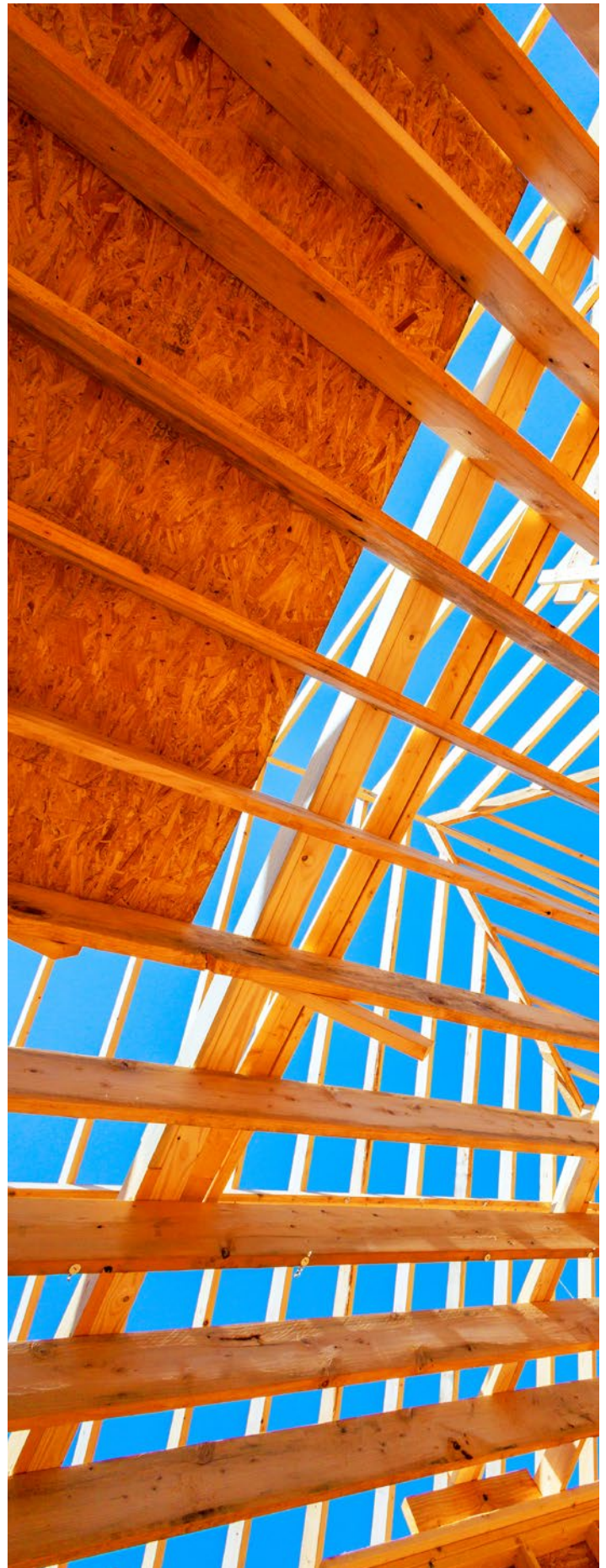
Many programs (NRCan, ISED, provincial clean-growth funds) target industrial decarbonization and energy efficiency in manufacturing lines (e.g., for kilns, drying, heat recovery) — useful to reduce operating costs and improve grant amenability (see NRCan and ISED supports pages).

[Trade Commissioner Service / CanExport SMEs](#)

Cost-share for export market development (tradeshows, market research, in-market activities). Useful if you plan to export CLT, glulam, panels, or modular units.

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