2014 - JUNE 2025

Prince Rupert Gas Transmission (PRGT) Project Timeline of Key Dates



This timeline accompanies the Yellowhead Institute Special Report, Buried Burdens: The True Costs of Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) Ownership. Read the full report at <u>yellowheadinstitute.org</u>

2014

PRGT receives its environmental assessment permit. The pipeline route is immediately blockaded at Madii Lii by a Gitxsan house group, Luutkudziiwis.

2015

Ts'msyen land defenders, supported by allies across the Skeena watershed, reoccupy Lelu Island and block construction of the project terminal.

2017

Petronas cancels its LNG terminal plans, leaving PRGT without a shipping destination.

2019

The original environmental assessment is extended.

JUNE 2024

TC Energy sells PRGT to the Nisga'a Government and a new company, Texas-based Western LNG. Under new ownership, they propose a new terminal on Pearse Island called Ksi Lisims, requiring a new pipeline route.

AUGUST 21, 2024

Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs and Indigenous youth establish a road checkpoint on their Lax'Yip (territory), stopping PRGT construction of the new route. The area was identified in the original project review as an extremely valuable site for fish, wildlife and cultural uses – the Ganeda (Frog clan) Wilps Watakhayetsxw and Gamlakyeltxw vow to protect it.

AUGUST 22, 2024

Gitanyow chiefs burn the pipeline impact benefit agreement that was signed in 2014, as the current project no longer reflects the original proposal.

AUGUST 24, 2024

PRGT begins logging along the pipeline route on Nisga'a treaty lands (the only place with permits to work).

AUGUST 27, 2024

Nisga'a members block a road leading to a work camp in Nisga'a territory. Their group, the Nass Valley Tribal Alliance Society, launches a local petition, earning over 200 signatures to explore an injunction against the construction of PRGT.

AUGUST 29. 2024

Communities launch a legal challenge against the BC Energy Regulator for bypassing the legal steps required to greenlight PRGT construction.

OCTOBER 2024

Opposition expands, as house groups begin establishing permanent cabins and a dog sanctuary on the territories.

OCTOBER 28, 2024

Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs launch a legal Challenge to the Ksi Lisims LNG project for failing to uphold the Duty to Consult. The facility is also opposed by the Lax Kw'alaams Band. Work cannot be started on the majority of the pipeline route until Ksi Lisims has regulatory approval.

NOVEMBER 2024

Project proponents file a proposal to avoid a new environmental assessment as the first PRGT environmental certificate, issued in 2014, is set to expire.

NOVEMBER 25, 2024

Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs issue a press release relating to the Indigenous Protected Conservation Area along the pipeline route.

JUNE 2025

The PRGT environmental assessment is extended indefinitely by the B.C. government, despite the change in route and updated environmental regulations.