



Message from The Honourable Anne Kang Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Training

2022 ACEC-BC Awards for Engineering Excellence

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To the Consulting Engineer community,

Welcome to everyone gathered for the 32nd Annual ACEC-BC Engineering Excellence Awards Gala. I am honoured to share this message with you all, and I write to you from the territory of the Musqueam, Tsleil-Waututh and Squamish First Nations.

The engineering community is essential to building and strengthening our economic foundation. It is a time to reflect on all your outstanding work over the past year. It's time to celebrate your achievements, honour your leadership, and pay tribute to the innovation and technical excellence you have imparted on projects across the province.

Over the past year, engineers have been crucial to safeguarding and rebuilding our communities devastated by unprecedented natural disasters. Our province relied on your skills and knowledge on projects rebuilding our roads, bridges, buildings, and critical infrastructure. Now, as communities recover, engineers are helping them build resiliency.

As we continue to deal with the effects of drought, flooding, wildfires, and heat waves, all related to climate change, your work becomes increasingly important. Our government is taking bold action to protect our environment, while building a cleaner, stronger, more resilient economy. Our CleanBC Roadmap is an ambitious, continent leading plan that calls on us to make more investments in cleaner technology. And that will only be possible with the creativity and innovation that engineers impart on projects.

While your participation is often behind the scenes, you are helping to create the foundation of the built landscape we all benefit from daily. Thank you for the work you have done for our province.

Please accept my heartfelt congratulations to this year's Awards for Engineering Excellence recipients. We are so grateful for the knowledge you share with your communities to help us all build a stronger B.C.



Sincerely,

Honourable Anne Kang

Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Training