

# Community & Investment Profile



# Welcome to the District of Mackenzie

Dear Potential Investor:

The District of Mackenzie invites you to explore the opportunities we have to offer. We want you to know that we are open for business and eager to work with potential investors. We are fortunate to have one of the most diverse fibre supply areas in the province of British Columbia with only 40% of our timber being pine. The long range outlook for forestry and forestry value added industry in our region is positive. Mackenzie is working hard to take advantage of the opportunities around mining, mineral exploration, green energy, and tourism as a means of diversifying our economy. We also have low land costs, competitive tax rates, various tax incentive and business support programs, as well as available power and rail access for new industrial business prospects.

It is the mission of the District of Mackenzie to strive to improve the lifestyle, services and opportunities to our residents and visitors by:

- Maintaining a healthy environment and economic conditions which allow for businesses and individuals to flourish and maximize their potential;
- Providing quality services and programs;
- Providing quality executive and administrative leadership from an open and responsible Council and Administration.

Mackenzie is a great place to live and work and maintains a high quality of life for its residents including:

- A strong sense of pride and community;
- A safe and resilient community;
- Outdoor recreation opportunities that are world-class;
- Clean air and clean water;
- First class municipal recreation facilities;
- No municipal debt;
- Outstanding snow removal services;
- Good health outreach services.

We encourage you to consider investing in our community and look forward to working with you to explore opportunities. If you have any questions, or would like additional information, please feel free to contact our Economic Development Department at 250-997-3221 or [ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca).

Sincerely,

Joan Atkinson, Mayor



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British Columbia has one of the most attractive investment climates for business in North America.

**Manufacturers, for example, enjoy benefits such as:**

- **Strong economic fundamentals** and market opportunities associated with major, long-term projects
- **Low Tax Rates** (personal and corporate) that rank BC among the lowest in Canada - complemented by sales tax exemptions on machinery and tax credits for research and development expenditures
- **Competitive Operating Costs** including low cost electricity relative to elsewhere in Canada or the US
- **Competitive Wage Rates** reflecting a balanced and growing labour pool
- **Growing Labour supply** with the government initiatives that are driving labour mobility into BC and training our existing workforce assets
- **Welcoming Communities** that keenly encourage new manufacturing and service investments
- **Financial incentives** for capital investments and job creation in northern BC Contact Northern Development Initiative Trust



# Demographics

Mackenzie is home to a wide range of people.

Mackenzie is home to a wide range of people, from young to old, with middle aged, English-speaking adults representing the largest group. However, you'll hear everything from Punjabi to Tagalog being spoken here.

People in Mackenzie tend to have received some kind of post-secondary education and that is reflected in the median household income – which is even higher than Vancouver's! That means you're more likely to be able to afford that dream home here in Mackenzie, where real estate continues to be affordable.

## Population

AGE	POPULATION	DISTRIBUTION
< 14	685	18.4%
15-34	920	24.8%
35-54	1070	28.8%
55-74	930	25.0%
75 +	105	2.8%
Total	3714	
Median Age	40	

Statistics Canada Census - 2016

## Household Income



**1,630**

Number of Households



**\$96,154**

Median Income (All Families)

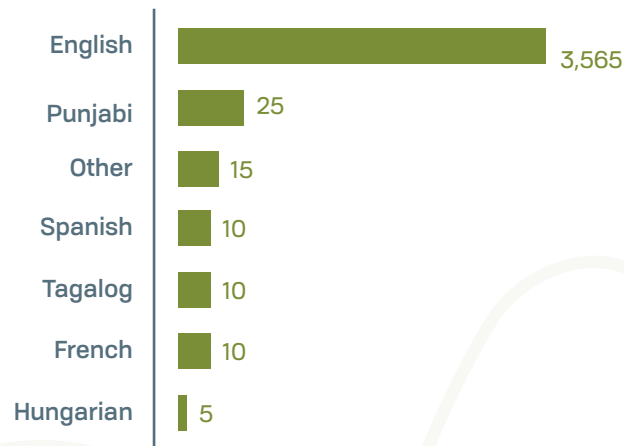


**\$79,945**

Median Income After taxes (All Families)

Statistics Canada Census - 2016

## Language Knowledge



Statistics Canada Census - 2016

## Educational Attainment

LEVEL OF EDUCATION	% OF POP
Less than High School Diploma	31%
High School Diploma	16%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	25%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	20%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	6%
Bachelor's degree	1%
Graduate degree	1.5%

Statistics Canada Census - 2016

# Workforce

Mackenzie has a growing workforce that is rooted in resource-based industries such as forestry, agriculture, mining, oil and gas. Many residents also work in related industries that support these ventures, including retail, education, health services, construction and manufacturing.

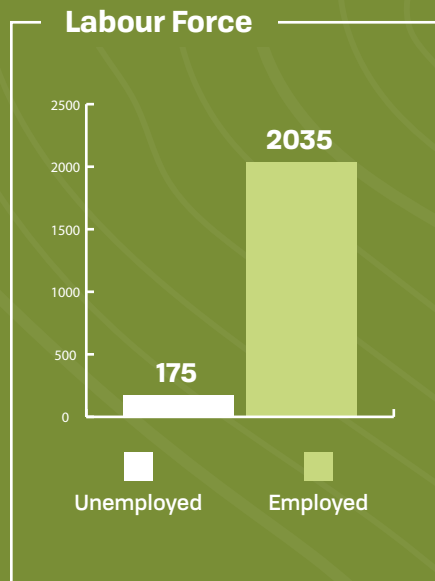
## Labour Force Numbers

RANKING	OCCUPATION CATEGORY	MACKENZIE		RDFFG		BC	
		TOTAL #	%	TOTAL#	%	TOTAL #	%
1	Manufacturing	600	32%	4,740	9%	157,560	6%
2	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	225	12%	2,170	5%	65,205	3%
3	Retail trade	195	10%	6,355	12%	283,135	12%
4	Public administration	145	8%	3,230	6%	125,000	5%
5	Educational services	95	5%	3,635	7%	173,820	7%
6	Health care and social assistance	95	5%	6,540	13%	270,855	11%
7	Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction	80	4%	765	1%	25,920	1%
8	Accommodation and food services	75	4%	3,980	8%	207,045	9%
9	Construction	65	3%	4,260	8%	199,985	8%
10	Transportation and warehousing	65	3%	3,350	6%	128,400	5%

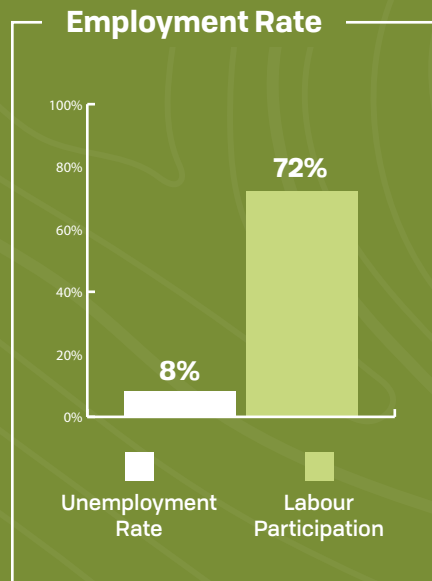
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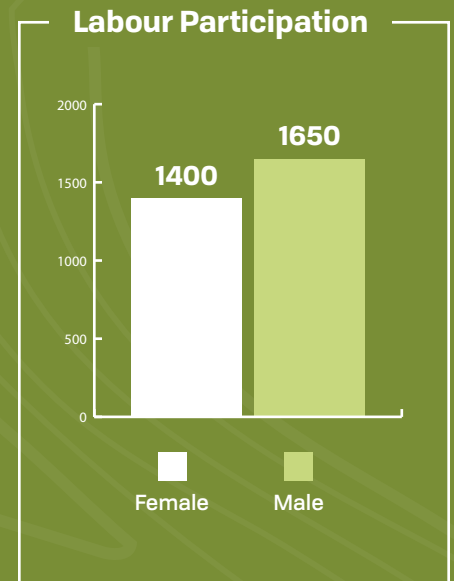
Wages in these industries reflect averages from across the province and continue to attract new workers to the region.



Statistics Canada Census - 2016



Statistics Canada Census - 2016



Statistics Canada Census - 2016

## Average Wage in Common Sectors



# Business Costs

Mackenzie is a great place to start a business, with competitive labour costs, regional incentives and affordable real estate that will help protect your bottom line as your business grows. Below you can find information on the baseline costs you can expect when you do business in Mackenzie.

## Minimum Wage & Overtime

**\$13.85** → **\$14.60** → **\$15.20**  
Current → June 2020 → June 2021

### Overtime

Employees are paid **1.5 times their regular wage** after eight hours a day, up to 12 hours.

Employees are paid **two times their wage** for time worked over 12 hours a day.

## Mandatory Benefits

Canada has two federal insurance plans, which employers and employees jointly pay into. There is also a statutory deduction for Worker's Compensation.

### Canada Pension Plan (CPP)

The CPP ensures that Canadians have a basic income for retirement. Employers contribute 5.25% of employee wage to a maximum annual contribution of \$2,898.00 (2020).

[canada.ca/en/revenue-agency.html](https://canada.ca/en/revenue-agency.html)

### Employer Contribution Employment Insurance (EI)

EI ensures that workers have income available for them should they become unemployed. Employers pay 1.4 times the amount of the employee's premiums and stop deducting premiums when the employee's maximum insurable earnings (\$54,200 for 2020) or the maximum employee premium for the year (\$860.22 for 2019) is reached.

[canada.ca/en/revenue-agency.html](https://canada.ca/en/revenue-agency.html)

## Worker's Compensation

WorkSafeBC collects premiums from businesses to cover the costs of work-related injuries. Your premiums fund the costs associated with work-related injuries or diseases, health care, wage loss, rehabilitation, and administration.

The average base rate for 2020 is 1.55% of employers' assessable payroll. For 2020, the maximum assessable payroll per worker is \$87,100.

**Employer Service Centre:** 604-244-6181

**Toll-free in Canada** 1-888-922-2768

**F** 604.244.6490

[worksafebc.com](https://worksafebc.com)

## Paid Holidays

- New Year's Day
- Family Day
- Good Friday
- Victoria Day
- Canada Day
- B.C. Day
- Labour Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Remembrance Day
- Christmas Day

**2020/2021 Dates:** [gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/employment-standards-advice/employment-standards/statutory-holidays](https://gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/employment-standards-advice/employment-standards/statutory-holidays)

“Mackenzie is a great place to start a business.”

# Education

Mackenzie can serve all of your family's educational needs, with an Elementary School that also includes an Early Learning program for children five and under, as well as a Secondary School. Higher learning can be pursued locally at the College of New Caledonia or at the nearby University of Northern British Columbia.



## Mackenzie Secondary School

500 Skeena Drive  
Mackenzie, BC

**E** [MSS@macs.sd57.bc.ca](mailto:MSS@macs.sd57.bc.ca)

**P** 250-997-6510

[sd57.bc.ca/school/macs/Pages](http://sd57.bc.ca/school/macs/Pages)

### StrongStartBC

[sd57.bc.ca/Programs/EarlyLearning/Pages/StrongStart.aspx](http://sd57.bc.ca/Programs/EarlyLearning/Pages/StrongStart.aspx)



## Morfee Elementary School

310 Nechako Drive  
Mackenzie, BC

**P** 250-997-6340

[sd57.bc.ca/school/morf/Pages/default.aspx](http://sd57.bc.ca/school/morf/Pages/default.aspx)



## Mackenzie Public Library

400 Skeena Drive (Mackenzie Recreation Centre)  
Mackenzie, BC

**P** 250-997-6343

**E** [mackenziepubliclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:mackenziepubliclibrary@gmail.com)

[mackenzie.bc.libraries.coop](http://mackenzie.bc.libraries.coop)



## College of New Caledonia

Mackenzie Campus  
540 Mackenzie Boulevard Box 2110  
Mackenzie, BC V0J 2C0

**P** 250-960-5555

[cnc.bc.ca/campuses/mackenzie](http://cnc.bc.ca/campuses/mackenzie)

### Other Campuses

Prince George (Main Campus), Fort St. James, Quesnel,  
Burns Lake, Vanderhoof, Valemount

### Programs

- Academic Upgrading
- Welding
- ABT Medical Office Assistant Online
- Bookkeeping Certificate
- Pipe Trade
- Professional Cook
- ABT Office Assistant Online



## University of Northern BC

UNBC Prince George Campus  
3333 University Way Prince George, BC V2N 2Z9

**P** 250-997-7200

[unbc.ca](http://unbc.ca)

### Other Campuses

Fort St. John, Quesnel, Terrace

### Programs

Multiple Certificate, Bachelor, Masters, Doctorate, and  
Professional Programs

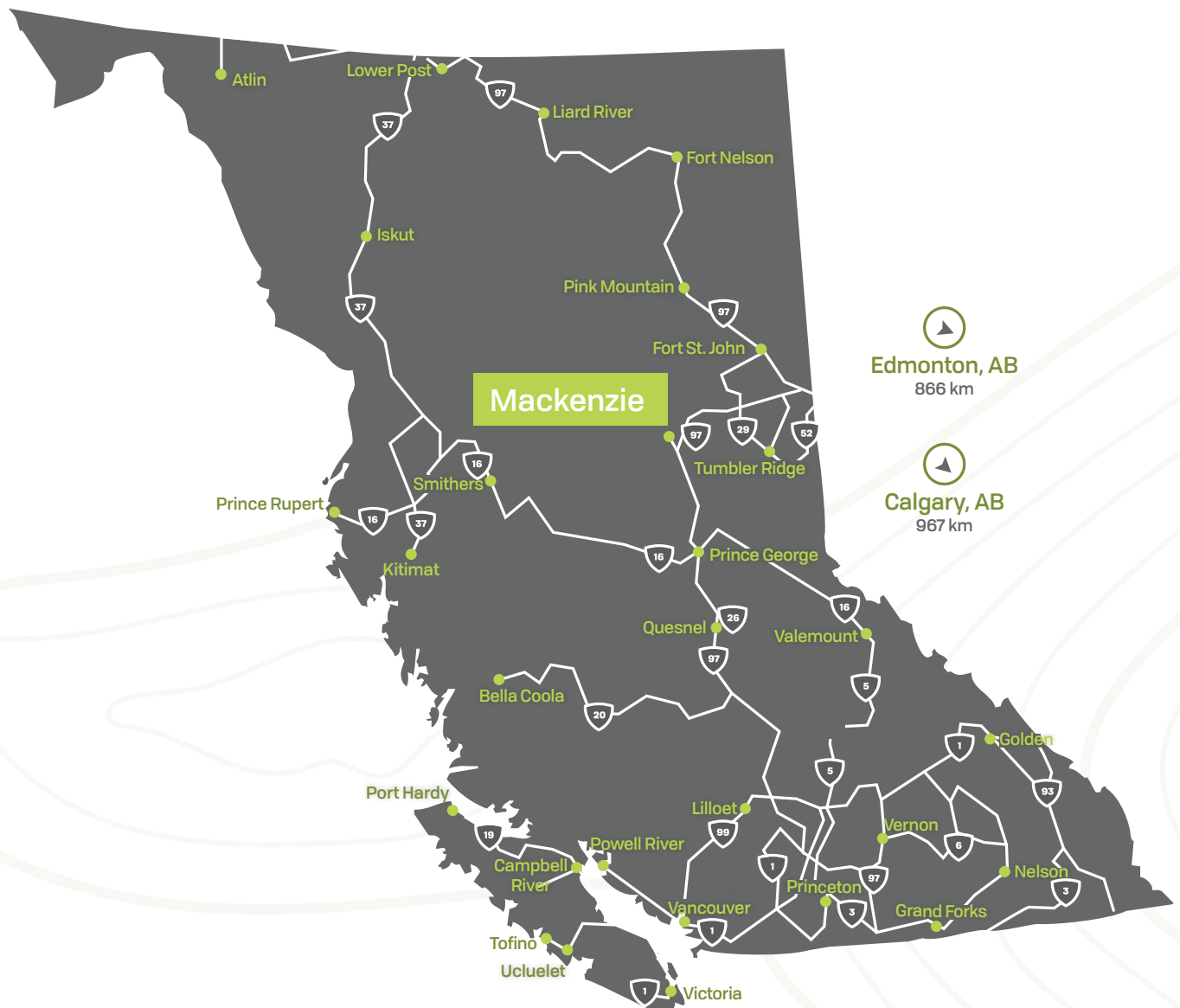
# Transportation

Located in British Columbia's beautiful interior, Mackenzie is found in the scenic Rocky Mountain Trench, between the Omineca Mountain Range to the west and the Rocky Mountains to the east.

Despite this seclusion, Mackenzie is well served by highway, rail, and air transportation services. That means businesses in our region are able access to markets across North America and the world.

## Highway

It is also very accessible with road access on Highway 39 at the junction of BC's major transport route, Highway 97, and only two hours from an international airport.



## Distance

Prince George, BC	183 km	2 hrs
Fort St. John	311 km	3.5 hrs
Grand Prairie	451 km	5 hrs
Kamloops, BC	710 km	7.5 hrs
Edmonton, AB	863 km	9 hrs
Prince Rupert, BC	900 km	10 hrs
Vancouver, BC	968 km	10.5 hrs
Calgary, AB	970 km	10.5 hrs
Victoria, BC	1,069 km	10.5 hrs 1.75 hrs
Seattle, Washington, USA	1,084 km	11.75 hrs
Portland, Oregon, USA	1,363 km	14.5 hrs

## Air

### Mackenzie Municipal Airport (CYZY)

The Mackenzie Airport serves the community's aviation needs including charter flights, corporate flights, helicopter landings, medivac airlifts, recreational flying opportunities, and private aircraft storage. The airport has recently undergone major upgrades in 2019 including the construction of a new terminal building and fuel distribution system. The airport is operational 24/7, located just 5.6 km (3.5mi) west of the community centre.

**Runways:** One (paved) - 1,585 m in length.

1000 Airport Road

Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**Hours of Operation:** 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week

### Trench Aviation Fuels (operator)

**P** 250-997-1304

[districtofmackenzie.ca/discover-mackenzie/getting-here-maps/](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/discover-mackenzie/getting-here-maps/)

### Prince George Airport (YXS)

Prince George Airport is an international airport located two hours from Mackenzie via Highway 97. Scheduled flights include Vancouver, Victoria, Calgary, Fort St. John, Terrace, Smithers, among others.

4141 Airport Road

Prince George, BC, V2N 4M6

**P** 250-963-2400

[pgairport.ca](http://pgairport.ca)

## Sea

### Port of Prince Rupert (900 km from Mackenzie)

Access from Mackenzie Road or Rail

200-215 Cow Bay Road

Prince Rupert, BC, V8J 1A2

**E** [info@rupertport.com](mailto:info@rupertport.com)

**P** 250-627-8899

[rupertport.com](http://rupertport.com)

### Port of Vancouver (966 km from Mackenzie)

Access from Mackenzie Road or Rail

100 The Pointe, 999 Canada Place

Vancouver, BC, V6C 3T4

**P** 1-604-665-9000

[portvancouver.com](http://portvancouver.com)

## Customs Point of Entry

### Canadian Border Services Agency

Prince George Airport

4141 Airport Road

Prince George, BC, V2N 4M6

**P** 250-963-2400

## Commercial Vehicle Permits

### Provincial Permit Centre

**P** 1-800-559-9688

**E** [PPCPermit@gov.bc.ca](mailto:PPCPermit@gov.bc.ca)

[onroutebc.gov.bc.ca](http://onroutebc.gov.bc.ca)

# Land use, permits and licensing

## Land Zoned & Designated in Official Community Plan

The District of Mackenzie's administrator is responsible for the designation of this land in the official community plan. For further information on the District of Mackenzie's land zoned and designated in official community plan contact the Economic Development Department at **250-997-3221**.

**For copies of the Official Community Plan, Zoning Bylaw, and associated mapping, please visit:**  
[districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/building-development](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/building-development)

## Local Development Permitting

**Website & Application Forms:** [districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development)

TYPE OF PERMIT	AVERAGE TIME FOR APPROVAL	FEES
Building Permit	4 Weeks	Varies
Development Variance Permit	2 Weeks	\$300 + advertising costs
Temporary Use Permit	4 Weeks	\$500 + advertising costs
Subdivision Application	8 Weeks	\$250 + \$50.00 per parcel
Occupancy Permit	2 Weeks	N/A
Re-Zoning Application	8 Weeks	\$500 + advertising costs
OCP Amendment	8 Weeks	\$500 + advertising costs



# Business Licensing

A licence is required to operate a business in Mackenzie, and the District of Mackenzie Business Licence and Zoning Bylaws provide detailed information about business licence fees and regulations.

## Business License Application & Business License Information:

[districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/business-licences](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/business-licences)

Category	Business Type	License Cost
Category 1	Automotive Services	\$ 127/year
Category 2	Construction, Building & Land Services	\$128-\$620/year (depending on # of employees)
Category 3	Financial and Insurance Services	\$300-\$750/year (depending on # of employees)
Category 4	General Business Services	\$104.00
Category 5	Hospitality, Accommodations, and Entertainment	\$150.00 + \$3/room over 20 rooms
Category 6	Manufacturing and Industrial Services	\$128-\$620/year (depending on # of employees)
Category 7	Professional Services	\$80.00
Category 8	Professionals	\$144/per professional
Category 9	Real Estate and Property	\$197.00
Category 10	Sales	\$127-\$620 (depending on # of employees)
Category 11	Transportation Services	\$140
Category 12	Specialty Businesses & Non-Profit Societies	Varies

## Resources

### Building Permit, Inspections & Licensing

#### Public Works

10 Cicada Road  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-3761

**E** [info@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:info@districtofmackenzie.ca)

### Starting a Business



#### Small Business BC

**P** 1-800-667-2272

**E** [askus@smallbusinessbc.ca](mailto:askus@smallbusinessbc.ca)

[smallbusinessbc.ca](http://smallbusinessbc.ca)

# Utilities

Mackenzie has got you covered - water, sewer, and waste management are supplied, while electricity, telecommunications and natural gas are available through various providers.

## Electricity

BC Hydro supplies electricity for residents and businesses in Mackenzie. BC's electricity rates are amongst the lowest in North America. Electricity rates depend on three factors: demand, supplied voltage and customer load.

**P** 1 800 BCHYDRO (1 800 224 9376)  
[bchydro.com](http://bchydro.com)

## Telecommunications

Wireless and fixed-line telephone and broadband services are available through several providers.

### Telus Communications

[telus.com](http://telus.com)

### ABC Communications

[abccommunications.com](http://abccommunications.com)

### Rogers Communications

[rogers.com](http://rogers.com)

## Natural Gas

Fortis BC delivers natural gas to homes and businesses in Mackenzie. For more information, refer to the rate schedule that applies to the Mainland region for residential buildings. These rates are updated quarterly and available through the For Homes section of the Fortis BC website.

**P** 1-800-663-9911  
[fortisbc.com](http://fortisbc.com)

## Waste Management

The District of Mackenzie provides residential and commercial garbage pick-up services, please visit our website or contact Public Works for further information on these services.

Mackenzie Transfer Station and Recycling Services are managed by the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George. Business waste management infrastructure and policies vary depending on the characteristics of the operation. The Regional District Fraser-Fort George ([rdffg.bc.ca](http://rdffg.bc.ca)) can be contacted for more information.

### Public Works

**P** 250-997-3761

**E** [info@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:info@districtofmackenzie.ca)

[districtofmackenzie.ca/public-services/public-works](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/public-services/public-works)

### Regional District of Fraser-Fort George

155 George St.  
Prince George, BC V2L 1P8

Toll Free (BC) 1-800-667-1959

**P** 250-960-4400

**E** [district@rdffg.bc.ca](mailto:district@rdffg.bc.ca)



## Water and Sewer Systems

It is the District's priority to ensure that residents receive a high quality water supply and waste water services.

Our residents expect to get clean potable water from their taps every day and this is ensured through the monitoring, testing, and maintenance of its water system.

We are truly lucky in that the Mackenzie Water Distribution System is one of a handful of systems across the country that do not require any secondary treatment.

The District operates two closed loop water distribution systems. For in-town residents, the water draws water from two wells, one located at First Beach and one at Second Beach. The reservoir, located next to Little Mack Ski Hill, holds approximately 596,000 cubic metres.

For Gantahaz residents, the District has two wells located on Alberta and Columbia Drive. The reservoir holds approximately 350,000 cubic metres.

To ensure continued high standards of drinking water quality and delivery for the District of Mackenzie and Gantahaz Subdivision, the District sends weekly water samples for bacterial testing and biennial samples for chemical testing.

### Water & Sewer Connections Information

#### Public Works

**P** 250-997-3761

**E** [info@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:info@districtofmackenzie.ca)

[districtofmackenzie.ca/public-services/public-works/water-sewers](https://districtofmackenzie.ca/public-services/public-works/water-sewers)

# Housing & Commercial Real-Estate

There's one word that sums up Mackenzie's real estate market – affordable.

Whether you're looking to build a business, buy a vacation home, or move here to start a new life, Mackenzie has a great deal just waiting to be discovered by you.

In fact, real estate in Mackenzie is some of the most affordable in the entire province. Astute investors will note the region's abundance of lands and buildings available for commercial and industrial business opportunities.

To help facilitate such opportunities, the District keeps a comprehensive land inventory of District-owned properties that are available for purchase, and we can connect you with local realtors that can provide information on privately owned land. If there isn't suitable or sufficient land available from the municipality, private sector crown land could be the solution.

## Average Single Family Home Price (2019)

\$145,000

## Residential Rental Rate (Average)

\$800 - \$1500/month



**1-3 Bed  
Apartment**



**Condominiums**



**Townhome  
Complexes**



**Single-Family  
Residential**



**Rural Single-Family  
Acreages**

## Real-Estate Contacts

### MLS Listings

Century 21 - Melissa Pineau

1310 5th Avenue

Prince George, BC, V2L1 3L4

**P** 250-997-1053

**E** melissa.pineau@century21.ca

[melissapineau.ca](http://melissapineau.ca)

### District Land Sales

Economic Development

**P** 250-997-3221

**E** ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca

[districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/building-development/real-estate-development](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/building-development/real-estate-development)

### Royal LePage Mackenzie Realty

Lynda Moreland - Broker/Owner Louise Skavlebo - Associate Broker

126-403 Mackenzie Blvd PO Box 486

Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-6773

**E** realty09@telus.net

[Search Listings](#)



## Commercial & Industrial Investment Opportunities

Looking to buy a business in BC or are you ready to retire? Venture Connect and Trade & Invest BC can help you find the business that best suits you, or their business succession specialists can guide you through the sale process and help you list your opportunity.

### MLS Listings

[realtor.ca](https://www.realtor.ca)

### Venture Connect

[ventureconnect.ca/business-listings](https://ventureconnect.ca/business-listings)

### Trade & Invest BC

[britishcolumbia.ca/invest/opportunities/search](https://britishcolumbia.ca/invest/opportunities/search)

## Acquisition of Crown Land

Crown land is land that is owned by the Province of British Columbia. The Province is the steward of the land and can lease, license and sell Crown land for a variety of purposes including residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, tourism and recreational purposes.

### Front Counter BC

[FrontCounterBC@gov.bc.ca](mailto:FrontCounterBC@gov.bc.ca)

1-877-855-3222

[frontcounterbc.gov.bc.ca](https://frontcounterbc.gov.bc.ca)

### Province of BC Properties for Sale

#### Real Property Division

[accommodationandreal estate.gov.bc.ca/Properties](https://accommodationandreal estate.gov.bc.ca/Properties)

### Federal Government Properties for Sale

#### Public Services and Procurement Canada

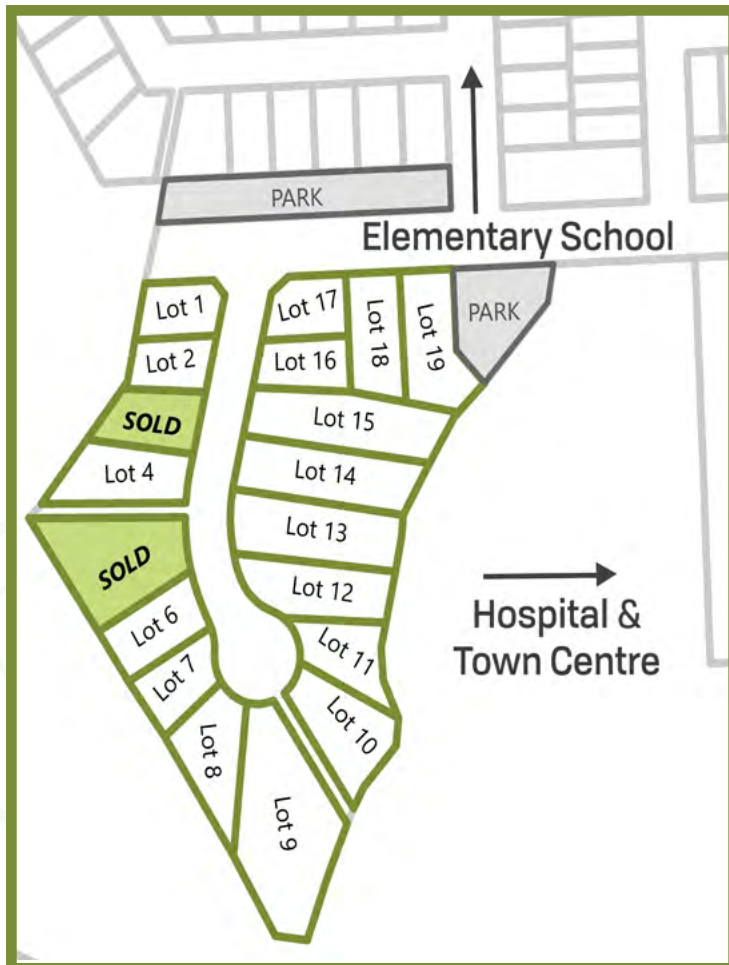
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# Bell Place Residential Subdivision

## Picture your dream home here!

Bell Place is the perfect place to create your own unique space. Each lot has terrific views of the Omenica Mountain Range to the West and has direct access to trails, schools, medical services, recreation facilities and shopping.

These fully serviced lots are awaiting for you!



# Industrial Lands

Mackenzie is a planned community, with its industrial site located in a separate area outside of the populated townsite. The industrial area is well served by road, rail, air, as well as water transportation on Williston Lake. Land within the Industrial site is zoned Light Industrial, Heavy Industrial, and Airport use.

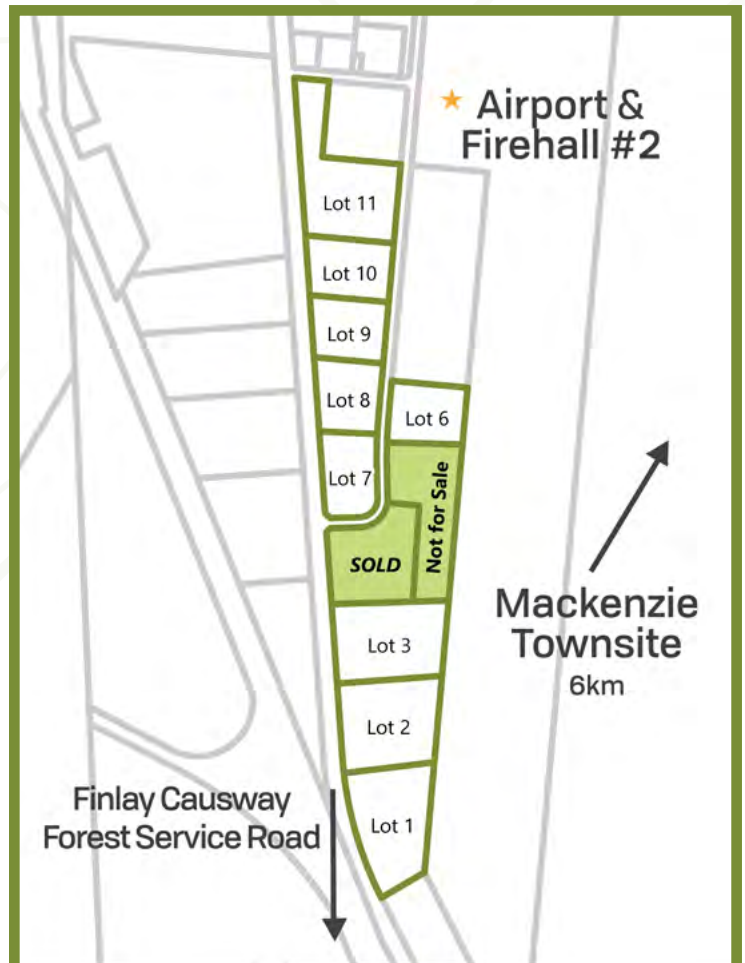
View the Districts Zoning Bylaw No. 1368 for applicable uses or contact the Economic Development Department at 250-997-3221 or [ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca).

## Property Highlights & Info

**Location:** All lots are located within the Industrial Site near the Mackenzie Airport.

**Access:** Gravel road access from Mill Road along Coquiwaldie and Airport Roads.

**Property Highlights:** Close to major industrial operations and industrial service providers, close to fuel suppliers, the industrial area is served by road, rail and water transportation on Williston Lake, access to robust fibre supply. Short commute from Mackenzie's townsite residential neighbourhoods.



# Taxes & Fees

In British Columbia the only taxes that are unique in individual communities are property taxes. These are applied on the assessed value of land and improvements (buildings). There are no taxes on payrolls, machinery and equipment, or inventory.

## Federal and Provincial Taxes

Canada has a **five percent (5%) value-added tax** called the Goods and Services Tax (GST). It is fully recoverable for all business inputs.

British Columbia has a **seven percent (7%) sales tax**. Various business inputs are exempt from the tax, including production machinery and equipment, software development, construction labour and various materials.

### Federal Tax Info

[canada.ca/en/services/taxes.html](https://canada.ca/en/services/taxes.html)

### Provincial Tax Info

[gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/sales-taxes](https://gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/sales-taxes)

### District of Mackenzie Tax Information

[districtofmackenzie.ca/government-town-hall/property-taxes](https://districtofmackenzie.ca/government-town-hall/property-taxes)

## Corporate Income Tax

British Columbia's general corporate income tax rate is **only 12%**. When combined with the federal rate, British Columbia **businesses pay a combined general corporate income tax rate of 27%** — among the lowest in the G7.

## Personal Income Tax

British Columbia has the lowest provincial personal income taxes in Canada for individuals earning up to \$125,000.

## Northern Residents Deduction

If you have lived in Mackenzie on a permanent basis for work-related reasons for at least six consecutive months, you may qualify for the Northern Residents Deduction. This deduction can result in a significant tax saving on your personal income taxes.

## Revitalization Tax Exemption Program

If you're looking to physically grow your business space with new construction or renovations, then this program might benefit you.

### Contact

**Economic Development, District of Mackenzie**

**P** 250-997-3221

**E** [ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca)

[districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/business-support-programs](https://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/business-support-programs)

### Provincial Tax Credit Info

**Trade and Invest BC**

[britishcolumbia.ca/invest](https://britishcolumbia.ca/invest)

### Federal Tax Credit Info

**Invest in Canada**

[investcanada.ca/programs-incentives](https://investcanada.ca/programs-incentives)

# District Support Programs & Regional Incentives

Mackenzie has a number of programs designed to support existing and new businesses in the region. This includes programs to beautify our storefronts, encourage residents to shop local, and ensure you can get the supplies your business needs to thrive. Incentives are also available to entrepreneurs looking to start their new venture here in Mackenzie.

## Business Façade Improvement Program

Thinking about upping your curbside appeal? We'll help. After all, the more attractive you look, the better we all look! Win-win.

### **Economic Development, District of Mackenzie**

**P** 250-997-3221

**E** [ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca)

[districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/business-support-programs](https://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/business-support-programs)



## Love Mackenzie

Everybody benefits when we shop local. Love Mackenzie is an initiative dedicated to making it easier to shop small first. Get on board the local Love train!

[lovemackenzie.com](https://lovemackenzie.com)

### **Community Champion**

Carl Ceder

**P** 250-997-3221

**E** [carl@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:carl@districtofmackenzie.ca)

## SUPPLY CHAIN CONNECTOR.CA

## Supply Chain Connector

The Supply Chain Connector is an industrial supply and service database of businesses located in central and northern British Columbia.

[districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/supply-chain-connector](https://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/supply-chain-connector)

### **Economic Development, District of Mackenzie**

**P** 250-997-3221

**E** [ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca)

## BC Provincial Nominee Program - Entrepreneur Immigration - Regional Pilot

The Province recently launched a new Regional Pilot which is designed for entrepreneurs who propose to establish and actively manage new businesses in regional communities in British Columbia.

### **Entrepreneur Immigration - Regional Pilot**

**E** [En.Imm@gov.bc.ca](mailto:En.Imm@gov.bc.ca)

[welcomebc.ca/Immigrate-to-B-C/BC-PNP-Entrepreneur-Immigration/Entrepreneur-Immigration-Regional-Pilot](https://welcomebc.ca/Immigrate-to-B-C/BC-PNP-Entrepreneur-Immigration/Entrepreneur-Immigration-Regional-Pilot)

# Business Resources

While it is our investment-friendly climate that attracts new businesses, Mackenzie also has many local and regional resources that have been setup to help investors grow their business. These include business support services that help connect investors with great opportunities, financial institutions to facilitate loans and banking, and employment assistance programs to connect workers with jobs.

## Local Investment & Business Support Offices

### District of Mackenzie

Economic Development

**P** 250-997-3221

**E** [ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:ecdev@districtofmackenzie.ca)

[districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/economic-development](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/business-development/economic-development)

### Mackenzie Chamber of Commerce

88 Centennial Drive

Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-5459

**E** [office@mackenziechamber.bc.ca](mailto:office@mackenziechamber.bc.ca)

[mackenziechamber.bc.ca](http://mackenziechamber.bc.ca)

### Community Futures Fraser-Fort George

Mackenzie Office

540 Mackenzie Blvd.

Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-562-9622 & (Toll-Free) 1-800-661-2055

**E** [general@cfdc.bc.ca](mailto:general@cfdc.bc.ca)

[cfdc.bc.ca](http://cfdc.bc.ca)

## Regional Investment & Business Support Offices

### Northern Development Initiative Trust

301-1268 5th Avenue

Prince George, BC, V2L 3L2

**P** 250-561-2525

**E** [info@northernddevelopment.bc.ca](mailto:info@northernddevelopment.bc.ca)

[northernddevelopment.bc.ca](http://northernddevelopment.bc.ca)

### Northern BC Tourism Association

1274 5th Avenue

Prince George, BC, V2L 3L2

**P** 250-561-0432

**E** [info@nbctourism.com](mailto:info@nbctourism.com)

[travelnbc.com](http://travelnbc.com)

### Trade & Invest British Columbia

730-999 Canada Place

Vancouver, BC, V6C 3E1

**P** 250-604-775-2100

**E** [international@gove.bc.ca](mailto:international@gove.bc.ca)

[britishcolumbia.ca](http://britishcolumbia.ca)

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## Financial Institutions

### Royal Bank

403 Mackenzie Blvd. (Mackenzie Centre Mall)  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-3213

[rbcroyalbank.com/personal.html](https://www.rbcroyalbank.com/personal.html)

### Scotiabank

403 Mackenzie Blvd. (Mackenzie Centre Mall)  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-3223

[scotiabank.com/ca/en/personal.html](https://www.scotiabank.com/ca/en/personal.html)

## Employment Assistance

### WorkBC

540 Mackenzie Blvd.  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-7208

**E** [info-mackenzie@workbc.ca](mailto:info-mackenzie@workbc.ca)

[workbccentre-mackenzie.ca](https://workbccentre-mackenzie.ca)



# Quality of Life

The quality of life we enjoy in Mackenzie is exceptional.

Surrounded by an abundance of natural beauty, Mackenzie has some of B.C.'s best municipal water. Built in the 1960s as a planned community, our town is walkable, compact and pristine – our industrial area is separated from residential living to ensure clean air the whole year round.

Mackenzie is also a great place to raise a family, with a very low crime rate, low taxes, high paying jobs, and affordable real estate that means you'll be able to find your dream home.



Annual Snowfall  
**300 cm**



Winter Temps  
**-11.4 °C**



Summer Temps  
**14.9 °C**



Daylight Hours  
**1,800**



Annual Rainfall  
**35.5 cm**



## Local eats, shops & services

In Mackenzie, there's always another adventure around the corner – and that means you'll need the right fuel to get you through your day. Whether you're looking for a solid homemade meal, something quick to grab-and-go, or you just want to celebrate with friends over drinks, Mackenzie has a restaurant for you.

For any other needs, we've got you covered. Mackenzie's local businesses provide an ample selection of groceries, liquor, clothing, medicine, hardware and various seasonal supplies.

Head down Mackenzie Boulevard to find more shopping opportunities that might pique your interest!



### Mackenzie Chamber of Commerce

#### Business Directory

**P** 250-997-5459

**E** [office@mackenziechamber.bc.ca](mailto:office@mackenziechamber.bc.ca)

[mackenziechamber.bc.ca/community/business-directory](http://mackenziechamber.bc.ca/community/business-directory)



### Love Mackenzie

If you want something to keep Mackenzie forever in your heart, and meet the folks who really make our town pop, then let the Love Mackenzie community provide any flavor of product or service you may desire. Check out these eclectic local businesses we love and let them enrich your Mackenzie experience.

[lovenorthernbc.com/community/mackenzie](http://lovenorthernbc.com/community/mackenzie)



### Mackenzie Community Market

Located in the heart of Mackenzie, this community market has all the Mackenzie made products you are looking for. Each week, residents can enjoy the best in local vendors and hand-crafted soaps and delectables.

#### Hours

Beginning mid-June - Thursdays, 5:00pm - 7:00pm

 [facebook.com/mackMarket](https://facebook.com/mackMarket)

[lovenorthernbc.com/community/mackenzie/business/mackenzie-community-market](http://lovenorthernbc.com/community/mackenzie/business/mackenzie-community-market)



# Mackenzie Community Calendar

The calendar is your one-stop shop for all public events and programs in and around Mackenzie.

[districtofmackenzie.ca/discover-mackenzie/community-events/](http://districtofmackenzie.ca/discover-mackenzie/community-events/)

## A few annual events include:

Winter Market (December)

Rotary Festival of Trees (December)

Winterfest (January)

Cabin Fever Festival (February)

Mackenzie Figure Skating Show (March)

Mackenzie Spring Expo (May)

Rotary Duck Drop (June)

Aboriginal Day (June)

Canada Day Celebrations (July)

Morfee Lake Scramble (Walk, Run, Bike Event) (July)

Bev Ruis Craft Fair (July)

Festival of Bells (December)

## Arts & Culture

Mackenzie has year-round fun with a range of activities available to you just out your door.

Spring/Summer/Fall highlights include: fishing, hiking, swimming, mountain biking, golfing, climbing, kayaking, or quadding. Winter is your passion - hockey, curling, cross country or downhill skiing, snow shoe, snowmobiling and much more. If the arts or history are more your interest - be sure to check out the programming offered at the Mackenzie Community Arts Centre and Mackenzie & District Museum.



### Mackenzie Community Arts Centre and Notable Expressions Gallery and Gifts

Ernie Bodin Community Centre

86 Centennial Drive

**P** 250-997-5818

**E** [mackenziearts@outlook.com](mailto:mackenziearts@outlook.com)

[mackenziecommunityartscentre.com](http://mackenziecommunityartscentre.com)



### Mackenzie & District Museum

Ernie Bodin Community Centre

86 Centennial Drive

**P** 250-997-3021

**E** [museum@mackbc.com](mailto:museum@mackbc.com)

[mackenziemuseum.ca](http://mackenziemuseum.ca)



### CHMM 103.5 FM - Mackenzie and Area Community Radio Society

Ernie Bodin Community Centre

86 Centennial Drive

**E** [chmm1035@gmail.com](mailto:chmm1035@gmail.com)

[chmm.ca](http://chmm.ca)

# Community Groups and Services

## Youth Organizations

Air Cadets  
Canadian Rangers  
Girl Guides  
Scouts Canada  
The 92 - Youth Centre  
GoZone

## Community & Social Services

Beta Sigma Phi Eta Delta  
BPO Elks #547  
Care & Share  
Happier Futures Society  
Immigrant & Multicultural Services Society (IMSS)  
Legion Branch #273  
Meals on Wheels  
Terry Fox Run  
Rotary Club of Mackenzie  
Red Hat Society  
St. Peter's Pantry

## Canine & Equestrian

Mackenzie Alpine Riders Horse Club  
Dog Park Committee

## Health & Wellness

A.A. (Northern Pioneer Group)  
Canadian Cancer Society  
Canadian Red Cross  
Heart & Stroke Foundation

## Sports Clubs

Badminton Club  
Chicks with Sticks  
Tai Chi/Fung Loy Kok Institute of Taoism

Several Yoga Studios  
Curl Mackenzie  
Gentlemen's Hockey  
Golf & Country Club  
Senior Lacrosse  
Minor Lacrosse  
Mackenzie Figure Skating Club  
Mackenzie Minor Hockey Association  
Mackenzie Mixed Darts  
Mixed Slow Pitch  
Nordiques X-Country Ski Club  
Old Timer Hockey  
Powder King Ski Club  
Rainbow Swim Club  
Special Olympics  
Youth Baseball

## Outdoor Recreation, Tourism & Agriculture

Bear Committee  
Iron Raven North - Bike Riding Club  
Little Mac Ski Hill  
Mackenzie Community Garden  
Mackenzie Fish & Game Association  
Mackenzie Nature Observatory  
Mackenzie Outdoor Route & Trail Association (MORATA)  
Rocky Mountain Riders (Snowmobiling)  
Caboose Tourist Centre  
KLC Rentals Ski/Snowboard/X-Country Club

## Places of Worship

Living Joy Christian Center  
Mackenzie Baptist Church  
Mackenzie Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses  
Mackenzie Sikh Society  
St. Peter's Catholic Church



A young person wearing a blue cap and a blue t-shirt is climbing a rock wall. They are reaching up to grab a red climbing hold. The wall is dark with various colored holds (yellow, blue, red, orange).

# Recreation

One of Mackenzie's biggest draws is the wide variety of recreation, from tranquil trails to exciting outdoor adventures.

## Mackenzie Recreation Centre

Located at the heart of the community, the Mackenzie Recreation Centre is a hub for all things fitness and fun! We feel privileged to have such a robust facility which is home to our aquatic centre, weight room and cardio centre, ice arena, child's play area, climbing wall, and the Mackenzie Public Library. In addition, our staff work hard to offer a range of exciting recreation and fitness programs and courses to help you explore, grow, and thrive every day. There is something for everyone!

### Mackenzie Recreation Centre

400 Skeena Drive  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-5283

**E** [recoffice@districtofmackenzie.ca](mailto:recoffice@districtofmackenzie.ca)

**f** [facebook.com/MackenzieRecreation](https://facebook.com/MackenzieRecreation)

[districtofmackenzie.ca/discover-mackenzie/recreation-centre](https://districtofmackenzie.ca/discover-mackenzie/recreation-centre)

## Recreation Amenities, Parks & Trails

In Mackenzie, we are drawn outdoors every day – we see our neighbours at our network of community parks, recreation amenities, trails and green spaces open for leisure and healthy living. The official community guide, as well as maps of our trails and facilities, are available at [districtofmackenzie.ca](https://districtofmackenzie.ca)

- Mackenzie Skate Park & Playspace
- Little Mac Ski Hill & Mountain Bike Trails
- John Dahl Regional Park
- Firth, Mac 1, Munro, and Cicada Playgrounds
- Morfee Lake (1st and 2nd Beach)
- Morfee Lake Perimeter Trail & Morfee Waterfall
- Cicada Ball Diamonds
- Gantahaz Lake
- Cross-Country Ski Trails
- Morfee Mountain
- Alexander Mackenzie's Landing Rec Site (Williston Lake)
- Mackenzie Gold & Country Club
- Mugaha Marsh Bird Branding Station
- Bijoux Falls
- Whiskers Point
- Tudyah Lake
- Pine Le Moray Provincial Park
- Heather-Dina Lakes Provincial Park
- Gataiga Lake Receation Site
- Finlay Bay Recreation Site
- Wicked River (Boat access only)
- Six Mile Bay
- Cut Thumb Bay
- Williston Lake
- Mackenzie Bowling Lanes
- Tennis Courts

## Pet Friendly Parks

### Mackenzie Off-Leash Dog Park

Located behind Recreation Centre & Ernie Bodin Centre. This fenced rectangular area is a great space to practice dog training skills.

### 2nd Beach Located on Morfee Lake

It's a great place for you and your pet to go for a dip on a hot day!

## Surrounding Area Recreation Opportunities

### The adventure extends all around Mackenzie!

Mackenzie is a great home base to gather supplies and set out on adventure in the surrounding Provincial Parks and Forestry Recreation Sites just a short ride away.

Many of these have campsites, boat launches and hiking trails. If you are keen on winter sports, the area is full of opportunity for snowshoeing, skiing, snowboarding and snowmobiling.



### Powder King Mountain Resort & Azouzetta Lake Lodge

#### Skiing | Snowboarding | Snowmobiling | Summer Camping & Winter Lodging

Just forty minutes away, Powder King Mountain Resort is a ski hill located in the Pine Pass. It's pretty much in the middle of nowhere, but here's the thing: everybody knows about it. Powder King — or just PK — is the kind of place that hardcore skiers and snowboarders all over BC talk about, usually wistfully hoping for the day they'll somehow get to go there.

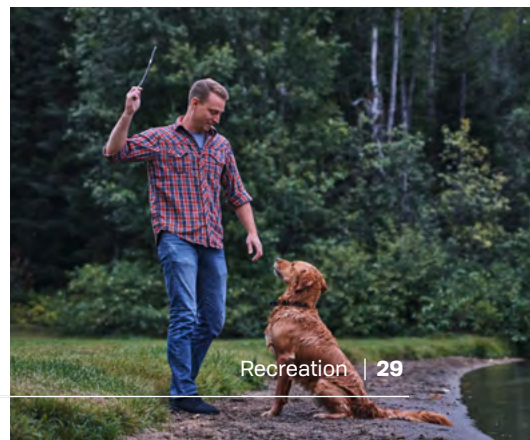
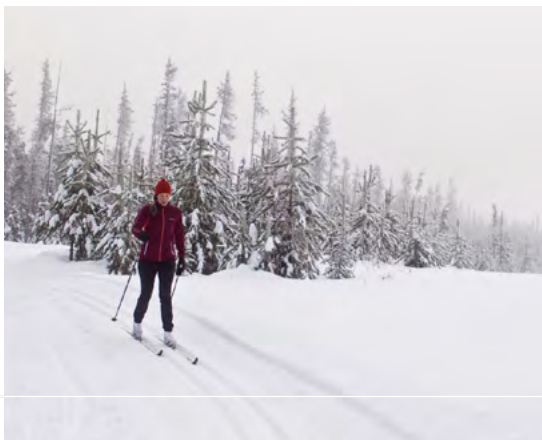
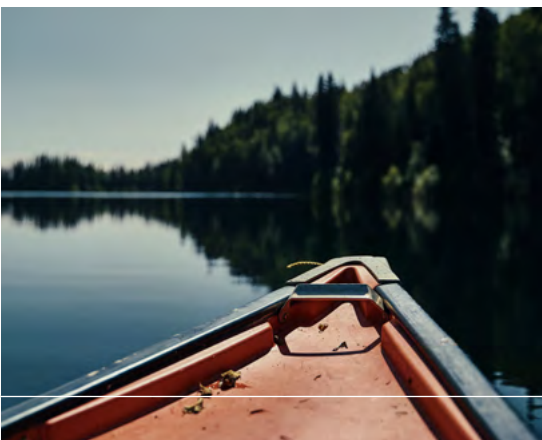
[ski.powderking.com](http://ski.powderking.com)

Why is this out-of-the-way ski hill so revered? Well, all the snow that Mackenzie gets, Powder King gets — and more. Average annual snowfall in the Pine Pass is 12.5 metres (41 feet). That's a lot of powder... hence the name. Known for all this snowfall and some awesome terrain, the mountain is a destination for skiers and boarders from across northern BC and beyond.

In a way, it doesn't hurt that it's somewhat hard to get to (unless you're in Mackenzie, that is), because here waiting in line for the chairlift is pretty unlikely. Plus, with most of its runs named after Beatles' tunes, your ski trip is guaranteed to put a smile on your face.

Need a place to stay? Powder King and the neighboring Azouzetta Lake Lodge, have year-round options for everyone, whether visiting for winter adventure or on a family camping trip in the summer.

[stay.powderking.com/cabins-suites](http://stay.powderking.com/cabins-suites)



# Health

Mackenzie offers a variety of services to keep you at your peak and take care of your health.

## **Mackenzie and District Hospital and Health Care Centre**

45 Centennial Drive  
Mackenzie, BC

**P** 250-997-3263

**f** [facebook.com/groups/NHMackenzie/](https://facebook.com/groups/NHMackenzie/)

[northernhealth.ca/locations/hospitals/mackenzie-and-district-hospital-and-health-centre](https://northernhealth.ca/locations/hospitals/mackenzie-and-district-hospital-and-health-centre)

## **Azu Health**

Physiotherapy, Nutrition, Kinesiology, Employer Services

577 Skeena Drive  
Prince George, BC, V2L 3L2

**P** 250-997-3500

**E** [info@azuhealth.ca](mailto:info@azuhealth.ca)

## **Mackenzie Counselling Services**

500 Mackenzie Boulevard  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-6595

**E** [reception@mackenziecounselling.ca](mailto:reception@mackenziecounselling.ca)

**f** [@mackenziecounsellingservices](https://facebook.com/mackenziecounsellingservices)

## **Mackenzie RCMP**

Mackenzie Detachment  
62 Centennial Drive  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0  
**P** 250-997-3228

## **BC Ambulance Services**

BC Ambulance/Emergency Health Services

45 Centennial Drive  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-6501

**Programs:** Community Paramedicine

## **Mackenzie Search and Rescue**

60 Centennial Drive  
Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

**P** 250-997-6595

**E** [reception@mackenziecounselling.ca](mailto:reception@mackenziecounselling.ca)

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[mackenziesar.wixsite.com/macksar/home](https://mackenziesar.wixsite.com/macksar/home)

## **Mackenzie Fire Rescue Department**

60 Centennial Drive  
Prince George, BC, V0J 2C0

**Firehall:** 250-997-4221

**Non-Emergencies:** 250-997-1234

# Local & Regional Government Contacts

## District of Mackenzie

### Mayor

Joan Atkinson

### Councillors

Amber Hipkiss, Raye McMeeken, Peter Grogan,  
Viktor Brumovsky, Jim Wiens, Andy Barnes

### Chief Administrative Officer

Diane Smith

Mackenzie Boulevard

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## Regional District of Fraser-Fort George

### Chair

Art Kaehn

### Mackenzie Area Director

Pat Crook

### Chief Administrative Officer

Jim Martin

155 George Street, Prince George, BC, V2L 1P8

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**E** [district@rdffg.bc.ca](mailto:district@rdffg.bc.ca)

[rdffg.bc.ca](http://rdffg.bc.ca)

## Provincial Representation

### Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA)

Mike Morris

### Constituency

140-403 Mackenzie Boulevard

PO Box 2125

Mackenzie, BC, V0J 2C0

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[leg.bc.ca/learn-about-us/members/41st-Parliament/Morris-Mike](http://leg.bc.ca/learn-about-us/members/41st-Parliament/Morris-Mike)

## Federal Representation

### Member of Parliament (MP)

Bob Zimmer

### Office

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Prince George, BC, V2L 3G5

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