

2018 Forestry Industry Bargaining

USW LOCAL 1-417 UPDATE

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Provincial Negotiating Committee - News Release

On February 13, 2019 a tentative agreement was reached between USW Local 1-2017 and CONIFER companies. This agreement, if ratified, applies to the USW forest industry membership in Northern BC.

The Provincial Negotiating Committee consisting of all six BC USW Wood Council Locals (1-2017, 1-405, 1-417, 1-423, 1-1937 and 2009) advises their memberships and related employers and employer associations, that the tentative agreement signed by USW Local 1-2017 does not represent a supported provincial pattern for any further USW Forest Industry bargaining outside USW Local 1-2017.

Bargaining for the Southern Interior Locals, which is already underway, and bargaining in Coastal BC, set to start as early as April, will not be patterned on, or guided by the USW Local 1-2017 agreement reached with CONIFER.

USW Local 1-417 is working with the Provincial Bargaining Committee for permission to release the 1-2017 CONIFER Agreement. Transparent communication with our members is a guiding principle of USW Local 1-417.

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