



## **Community Energy Transitions in Northern BC: Regional Energy Dialogues**

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*Working with communities and Nations to identify their interests, needs, and opportunities in support of energy transitions.*

We are seeking communities and Nations to engage with for Phase One of the *Northern Energy Dialogues* project, an [Accelerating Community Energy Transformation](#) (ACET) initiative led in partnership between UNBC and UVic and funded under the [Canada First Research Excellence Fund](#). We seek to work alongside communities and Nations across northern BC to identify place-based interests, needs, and opportunities in support of energy system transformation. The project builds upon and extends relationships developed through the [Northern BC Climate Action Network](#).

The research team will guide virtual and in-person community-level conversations through Fall 2024 and Winter 2025, which will feed into regional workshops throughout 2025. The goal of the **community-level conversations** is to amplify the voices of northern, rural, and remote communities and Nations by identifying the unique energy priorities, barriers, and potential pathways for community energy transformation. The **regional workshops** will facilitate peer learning between project partners, build collective regional action, and strengthen community capacity.

This multiyear project will be co-designed with partnering communities. To get involved or to learn more, **please contact Sarah Korn, Community Coordinator at:** [sarah.korn@alumni.unbc.ca](mailto:sarah.korn@alumni.unbc.ca)

