

## NEWS-CLIPS TITLE & LINKS FOR THE MONTH (Except \*) Mar 20 to Apr 17 2024

(\*) **Not in normal date range** (\*\*) A difficult article to digest that has little local news impact but may be interesting to some

More Canadians are skipping booze — forcing cities to adapt their nightlife

<https://www.nsnews.com/highlights/more-canadians-are-skipping-booze-forcing-cities-to-adapt-their-nightlife-8470828>

Now is the time for North Vancouver seniors to consider retirement community living

<https://www.nsnews.com/sponsored/now-is-the-time-for-north-vancouver-seniors-to-consider-retirement-community-living-8335133>

Suds spotted foaming from North Vancouver drainpipe [**Deep Cove**]

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/suds-spotted-foaming-from-north-vancouver-drainpipe-8473819>

What are these black circles puzzling Metro Vancouver drivers? [**sensor loops in pavement**]

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/metro-vancouver-black-circle-sensors>

Secret RCMP report warns Canadians may revolt once they realize how broke they are

<https://nationalpost.com/opinion/secret-rcmp-report-warns-canadians-may-revolt-once-they-realize-how-broke-they-are>

(\*)DNV council must act on the Housing Central Pledge [**updated comments**]

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/dnv-council-must-act-on-the-housing-central-pledge/>

North Shore treatment plant cost rises. What this means for locals

<https://vancouver.citynews.ca/2024/03/22/north-shore-wastewater-treatment-plant-cost/>

Costs quadruple for North Shore sewage treatment plant to \$3.86B

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/costs-quadruple-for-north-shore-sewage-treatment-plant-to-386b-8496831>

Beleaguered North Shore wastewater plant will now cost nearly \$4B: Metro Vancouver

<https://globalnews.ca/news/10378493/north-shore-wastewater-4-billion/>

Don't let meetings and emails dominate. Make more time for creation, learning and ideation

<https://www.nsnews.com/economy-law-politics/dont-let-meetings-and-emails-dominate-make-more-time-for-creation-learning-and-ideation-8497379>

Partly built North Shore sewage treatment plant cost balloons to \$3.9 billion

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/north-shore-wastewater-treatment-plant-cost-escalation>

Letter: North Van sewage treatment plant project a shambles

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/letter-to-editor-north-vancouver-sewage-treatment-plant-8502421>

North Van councillors frustrated by lack of movement on Edgemont traffic calming

<https://www.nsnews.com/in-the-community/north-vancouver-councillors-frustrated-edgemont-traffic-calming-8500279>

North Vancouver councillor calls for audit of sewage plant budget hike

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/north-vancouver-councillor-calls-for-audit-of-sewage-plant-budget-hike-8507951>

TransLink to increase property taxes and fares for "urgent service expansion"

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/translink-property-tax-fare-increase-2024>

"Unfinished Business: Notes from the Memoir of a Recovering Politician": Former B.C. MLA Jane Thornthwaite releases memoir

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/unfinished-business-notes-from-the-memoir-of-a-recovering-politician-former-b-c-mla-jane-thornthwaite-releases-memoir/>

Protect bears: Leaving carts early can net \$100 fine, DNV warns

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/protect-bears-leaving-carts-early-can-net-100-fine-dnv-warns/>

Vancouver school trustee calls for TransLink to cancel proposed fare hike

<https://vancouver.citynews.ca/2024/03/26/vancouver-translink-fare-hike-cancel-trustee/>

Why should taxpayers pay for North Shore wastewater treatment plant debacle?

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/why-should-taxpayers-pay-for-north-shore-wastewater-treatment-plant-debacle/>

Don't expect feds to pay for massive cost overruns of wastewater plant: North Vancouver MP  
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/north-shore-wastewater-treatment-plant-cost-overruns-1.7043673>

North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant won't get more federal funding: MP  
<https://vancouver.citynews.ca/2024/03/26/north-shore-wastewater-treatment-funding/>

Seaspan awarded \$500M in contracts for design, early work on 6 Coast Guard ships  
<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/seaspan-awarded-500m-in-contracts-for-design-early-work-on-6-coast-guard-ships-8514499>

Trudeau 'open' to other carbon pricing systems as premiers set to testify  
<https://globalnews.ca/news/10386753/trudeau-moe-carbon-price-letter/>

A lawsuit wants to change the way you pay your Realtors. What to know  
<https://globalnews.ca/news/10384927/realtor-commission-lawsuit-canada/>

Vaughn Palmer: Independent review needed into North Shore sewage scandal  
<https://vancouver.sun.com/opinion/columnists/vaughn-palmer-independent-review-needed-into-north-shore-sewage-scandal>

(\*) Metro Vancouver Regional Planning Bulletin – March 2024 Inclusionary Housing Policy Review  
Page 60 of <https://metrovancover.org/boards/RegionalPlanning/RPL-2024-03-08-AGE.pdf>

Upgrades to wastewater infrastructure coming to Comox Valley [\$13.3 million  
<https://www.northshoredaily.com/why-should-taxpayers-pay-for-north-shore-wastewater-treatment-plant-debacle/>

Here's what Trudeau says the upcoming federal budget will offer renters  
<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/renters-bill-of-rights-among-new-measures-in-upcoming-budget-trudeau-1.6824499>

Expropriate sewage plant site  
<https://www.nsnews.com/opinion/expropriate-sewage-plant-site-2920534>

Drake Landing, a solar energy community south of Calgary, loses its sizzle as system starts to fail  
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/okotoks-drake-landing-solar-energy-repairs-future-1.7148389>

Editorial: sewage plant debacle fails to pass the sniff test  
<https://www.nsnews.com/opinion/editorial-sewage-plant-debacle-fails-to-pass-the-sniff-test-8514908>

Ottawa has proposed a renters' bill of rights. Will it help?  
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/renter-bill-of-rights-1.7159022>

Calls growing for public inquiry into \$4B North Shore wastewater project overrun  
<https://www.timescolonist.com/bc-news/calls-growing-for-public-inquiry-into-4b-north-shore-wastewater-project-overrun-8532872>

Letter: We are paying the price for Metro Vancouver's risky contracts  
<https://www.nsnews.com/opinion/letter-we-are-paying-the-price-for-metro-vancouver-risky-contracts-8526775>

Video clip on "What is going to cost more in BC on April 1?"  
<https://globalnews.ca/video/10391458/contentious-b-c-carbon-tax-hike-kicks-in-april-1/>

How prepared is Vancouver's North Shore for a bridge-out scenario?  
<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/how-prepared-is-vancouver-north-shore-bridge-out-scenario-8537417>

Move On: Slip lanes are dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians  
<https://www.nsnews.com/opinion/move-on-slip-lanes-are-dangerous-for-cyclists-and-pedestrians-8471915>

Leaked Northern Health memo tells nurses not to confiscate drugs or weapons from patients  
<https://vancouver.sun.com/news/leaked-northern-health-memo-tells-nurses-not-to-confiscate-drugs-or-weapons-from-patients>

How lightning — not arson — sparked Canada's most destructive wildfire season  
<https://www.nsnews.com/weatherhood-bc/how-lightning-not-arson-sparked-canadas-most-destructive-wildfire-season-8544082>

Vancouver real estate: Prospects of buying a home at 'full-blown crisis levels,' report says  
<https://bc.ctvnews.ca/vancouver-real-estate-prospects-of-buying-a-home-at-full-blown-crisis-levels-report-says-1.6833352>

Read the full Housing Trends and Affordability report for extensive market-by-market analysis.

[https://thoughtleadership.rbc.com/wp-content/uploads/Housing\\_trends\\_mar2024.pdf](https://thoughtleadership.rbc.com/wp-content/uploads/Housing_trends_mar2024.pdf)

In the middle of a housing crisis, no one worries about constitutional niceties

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/housing-constitution-trudeau-premiers-1.7162481>

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<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/housing-constitution-trudeau-premiers-1.7162481>

Oregon re-criminalizes small amounts of hard drugs after 2020 voter initiative is overturned

<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/oregon-re-criminalizes-drugs-rcna142298>

Toughest time ever to afford a home as soaring interest costs keep raising the bar

<https://thoughtleadership.rbc.com/toughest-time-ever-to-afford-a-home-as-soaring-interest-costs-keep-raising-the-bar/>

(\*) New housing rules in B.C. trigger fears of 'catastrophic' loss of urban trees [Feb 6 2024]

<https://thenarwhal.ca/bc-ndp-bill-44-urban-forests/>

Fossil fuel subsidies cost Canadians a lot more money than the carbon tax

<https://theconversation.com/fossil-fuel-subsidies-cost-canadians-a-lot-more-money-than-the-carbon-tax-226482>

Canada is still backing the fossil fuel industry with billions, report finds

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/fossil-fuels-canada-subsidies-1.7156152>

Is milk safe to drink? Can you catch bird flu from beef? What to know about H5N1 cattle outbreaks

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/health/bird-flu-cattle-outbreak-questions-1.7163839>

At least 325,000 Canadians in path of sea level rise, new data shows

<https://www.nsnews.com/highlights/at-least-325000-canadians-in-path-of-sea-level-rise-new-data-shows-8553337>

Home prices set to hit record in 2026 amid unrelenting demand: CMHC

<https://financialpost.com/real-estate/home-prices-to-hit-record-2026-unrelenting-demand-cmhc>

Debatable if entire region picks up more North Shore wastewater plant costs, says chair

<https://www.nsnews.com/highlights/debatable-if-entire-region-picks-up-more-north-shore-wastewater-plant-costs-says-chair-8556063>

Please Advise! How Gross Is This Sewage Plant Overrun?

<https://thetyee.ca/Opinion/2024/03/27/Please-Advise-North-Shore-Sewage-Plant/>

Letter: How could Metro Vancouver let this project fail so badly?

<https://www.nsnews.com/opinion/letter-how-could-metro-vancouver-let-this-project-fail-so-badly-8537959>

TransLink 'aware' of inaccuracies on next-bus digital signs

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/translink-aware-of-inaccuracies-on-next-bus-digital-signs-8464379>

Suds spotted foaming from North Vancouver drainpipe

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/suds-spotted-foaming-from-north-vancouver-drainpipe-8473819>

Province green lights affordable rental project for North Vancouver

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/province-green-lights-affordable-rental-project-for-north-vancouver-8493269>

Flood risk in Lower Mainland will intensify by 2100: report

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/coastal-flooding-risk-data-1.7166103>

Federal gov't now doing more than 'fair share' on housing, minister says

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/federal-gov-t-now-doing-more-than-fair-share-on-housing-minister-says-1.6836763>

The Canadian Dental Care Plan starts next month — but many dentists are reluctant to participate

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/canadian-dental-care-plan-signup-seniors-dentists-1.7164381>

Make room! There are new rules for drivers to keep cyclists safe

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/new-rules-drivers-distance-from-cyclists>

B.C. Rental Protection Fund head applauds new federal program

<https://www.vancouverisawesome.com/highlights/bc-rental-protection-fund-head-applauds-new-federal-program-8561258>

(\*)Cambridge passes new affordable housing rules, paving the way for taller buildings [oct 19 2023]

<https://www.boston.com/news/the-boston-globe/2023/10/19/cambridge-passes-new-affordable-housing-rules-paving-the-way-for-taller-buildings/>

Now is the time for North Vancouver seniors to consider retirement community living

<https://www.nsnews.com/sponsored/now-is-the-time-for-north-vancouver-seniors-to-consider-retirement-community-living-8335133>

North Vancouver district plans e-cargo bike pilot; residents invited to info sessions

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/north-vancouver-district-plans-e-cargo-bike-pilot-residents-invited-to-info-sessions/>

The time has come to make a fundamental shift in organized real estate

<https://realestatemagazine.ca/the-time-has-come-to-make-a-fundamental-shift-in-organized-real-estate/>

Low snowpack brings Metro Vancouver lawn watering restrictions May 1

<https://www.nsnews.com/highlights/low-snowpack-brings-metro-vancouver-lawn-watering-restrictions-may-1-8574122>

Here's how much it costs to rent a one-bedroom apartment in Metro Vancouver this April

<https://www.nsnews.com/highlights/vancouver-rent-prices-april-2024-8588774>

Renovate the Public Hearing Project

<https://www.clicklaw.bc.ca/resource/5018>

<https://www.bcli.org/project/renovate-the-public-hearing-project-pre-development-public-engagement-legal-reforms-to-support-housing-supply/>

<https://www.renovatethepublichearing.ca/about-us/our-work>

[https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/Delivery.cfm/SSRN\\_ID4673666\\_code1281580.pdf?abstractid=4673666&mirid=1](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/Delivery.cfm/SSRN_ID4673666_code1281580.pdf?abstractid=4673666&mirid=1)

[https://www.cbapd.org/details\\_en.aspx?id=bc\\_bc24cba01r](https://www.cbapd.org/details_en.aspx?id=bc_bc24cba01r)

<https://www.sfu.ca/dialogue/what-we-do/initiatives/renovate-the-public-hearing.html>

New dog leash requirements on Ambleside seawalk, Lighthouse Park

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/new-dog-leash-requirements-on-ambleside-seawalk-lighthouse-park/>

North Shore eclipses Vancouver as Canada's most expensive place to rent: Rentals.ca

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/north-vancouver-most-expensive-place-rent-canada>

Police investigate after traffic flagger in Deep Cove hit by vehicle

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/police-investigate-after-traffic-flagger-in-deep-cove-hit-by-vehicle/>

New state-of-the-art gondola to open at Grouse Mountain in winter

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/new-state-of-the-art-gondola-to-open-at-grouse-mountain-in-winter/>

New Bridge Brewing lounge set for North Van's Norgate neighbourhood

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-business/new-bridge-brewing-lounge-set-for-north-vans-norgate-neighbourhood-8593000>

E-scooters legal in North Vancouver for four more years

Council members were irked by the lack of safety data before making a decision

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/e-scooters-legal-in-north-vancouver-for-four-more-years-8592849>

City of North Vancouver businesses and homeowners to share tax hit [6.9%]

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/city-of-north-vancouver-businesses-and-homeowners-to-share-tax-hit-8587640>

Tennis players frustrated over net loss of [city] North Vancouver courts

<https://www.nsnews.com/local-news/tennis-players-frustrated-over-net-loss-of-north-vancouver-courts-8588189>

Law Society of BC to be disbanded under new legislation [bill 21]

The new law means, in theory, you will be able to have broader access to legal services at a more affordable rate than lawyers.

<https://www.nsnews.com/highlights/law-society-of-bc-to-be-disbanded-under-new-legislation-8589402>

Now is the time for North Vancouver seniors to consider retirement community living

<https://www.nsnews.com/sponsored/now-is-the-time-for-north-vancouver-seniors-to-consider-retirement-community-living-8335133>

Public info meet for 333-unit development in North Vancouver district

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/public-info-meet-for-333-unit-development-in-north-vancouver-district/>

What you need to know about Trudeau's new 'plan to solve the housing crisis'

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/what-you-need-to-know-about-trudeau-s-new-plan-to-solve-the-housing-crisis-1.6844845>

Letters: CNV's public approval process for borrowing \$55.7M raises concerns

<https://www.nsnews.com/opinion/letters-cnvs-public-approval-process-for-borrowing-557m-raises-concerns-8592470>

Concerns raised about rising cost of rentals for low-income earners: Vancouver MP

<https://vancouver.citynews.ca/2024/04/15/bc-housing-rentals-low-income-concerns/>

Letters: The real problem is not the tunnel

<https://www.delta-optimist.com/opinion/letters-the-real-problem-is-not-the-tunnel-8568632>

North Shore Wastewater Plant: Company in legal battle with Metro Vancouver wins Surrey-Langley Skytrain station contract

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/north-shore-wastewater-plant-company-in-legal-battle-with-metro-vancouver-wins-surrey-langley-skytrain-station-contract/>

Liquor consumption to be allowed in Cleveland Dam Picnic area

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/liquor-consumption-to-be-allowed-in-cleveland-dam-picnic-area/>

North Vancouver District to explore alternatives to public hearings

<https://www.nsnews.com/in-the-community/north-vancouver-district-to-explore-alternatives-to-public-hearings-8604712>

30-unit townhouse proposal in North Vancouver district [3428-3464 Mount Seymour Parkway]

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/30-unit-townhouse-proposal-in-north-vancouver-district/>

Record 33,000 homes began construction in Metro Vancouver in 2023

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/metro-vancouver-housing-starts-construction-statistics-2023>

Paparazzi: Opera on the Rocks in Deep Cove

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/paparazzi-opera-on-the-rocks-in-deep-cove/>

'Please slow down': Two deer killed after being struck by vehicles in Deep Cove

<https://www.northshoredailypost.com/please-slow-down-two-deer-killed-after-being-struck-by-vehicles-in-deep-cove/>