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## **United Steel Workers and CVRD Reach Tentative Agreement**

**Duncan, BC –** The Cowichan Valley Regional District and United Steel Workers (USW) Local 1-1937 have reached an agreement in principle in their current labour dispute.

Details are not being released at this time, pending ratification votes by both parties which will occur during the month of July. The parties have continued to meet over the past couple of weeks in an attempt to break the bargaining impasse that threatened to result in strike action. The deal generally follows the terms of the agreements reached between the CVRD and its other unions, with minor adjustments based on issues specific to the USW affiliated group.

The parties are no longer pursuing an Essential Service designation from the Labour Relations Board, and instead will focus their energies on obtaining the ratification of the agreement.

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