



# Alberta Construction Association

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Premier Jason Kenney

Dear Premier Kenney:

Re: Construction sites must keep open!

Alberta Construction Association understands that a small number of organizations have called on the Federal Government for a COVID-related shutdown of construction in whole or in part.

ACA, its 8 member local construction associations, and numerous partner associations strongly urge the Alberta Government to keep Alberta's construction industry working! Our industry has the capacity and ingenuity to safely operate during the COVID-19 outbreak. As we speak, ACA is in the process of finalizing version 1.0 of a best practices document developed in collaboration by industry leaders. This living document will be widely disseminated to encourage safe operations everywhere.

The 50 person rule was intended for public gatherings. Construction sites are under private contract, with inherently safe operations in accordance with occupational health and safety legislation. Many of our sites are very large and would have occupancy densities far less than a typical office building.

ACA is very pleased and agrees with your Government's plan to utilize infrastructure investment as an essential element of economic recovery. Let us help the Province realize this vision by keeping our existing teams employed now and ready to gear up quickly as new projects arise.

Sincerely,

Frederick Vine, Chairman

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