

2019 Forest Industry Bargaining USW LOCAL 1-1937 UPDATE

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BEWARE: CONTRACTOR RALLY IN CAMPBELL RIVER DISGUISED AS WORKER RALLY

Members need to be very aware that self serving Contractor owners who have been lobbying the provincial government to impose a binding contract on USW Local 1-1937 members, are now organizing a rally in Campbell River this Monday, which is being disguised as as rally and fundraising event for our members to attend. We ask members not to give this event any legitimacy and stay away.

This rally is supported by a group calling itself "Taking A Stand" which is just a front for contracter owners trying to trick USW members into thinking it is a rally for them. <u>The speakers for the event are Liberal MLA's who were part of the government that lost over 30,000 jobs and oversaw the closure of over 100 manufacturing facilities while log exports soared in coastal BC. These are not friends of striking forest workers.</u>

This event is an underhanded attempt to convince USW members that they should give up their rights and agree to WFP's last substandared concession filled offer. They also want the public to see it on TV and think Union members want to give up and take a bad contract when nothing could be further from the truth.

Members need to clearly understand that these contractor owners are doing the bidding of WFP and only looking out for their own self interest. Feel free however to let them know how you feel on social media.

Mediation continues on Monday in Vancouver and this sideshow with the bosses is not something members should attend. STAY STRONG.



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