

## **CUPW Strike Back in BC**

### ***1,500 Postal Workers in British Columbia to Join Picket Lines this Morning***

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**Ottawa** – Members of four Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) locals in British Columbia are set to strike at 8 am PT on Monday, October 29. The following locals will be striking:

- Royal City (Maple Ridge)
- Fraser Valley West (Surrey)
- Upper Valley (Chilliwack)
- Squamish (Squamish)

They join workers from the Brandon local in Manitoba, the Thunder Bay, Oshawa and Peterborough locals in Ontario, the Lloydminster local in Saskatchewan, and the Pickering depot (part of the Scarborough local in Ontario), who walked off the job earlier this morning.

Members from the Iles-de-la-madeleine (Québec) and Winnipeg (Manitoba) locals remain on picket lines, while those from the Niagara Falls local returned to work this morning after almost three days of picketing.

“Postal workers are fighting for good jobs, which balance work and home life, equality for all our workers and safe working condition,” says Mike Palecek, CUPW National President. “We are also bargaining for the future – future employees and everyone who relies on the postal service. It’s time to look at expanded public services like postal banking and senior check-ins. Public services can only help communities thrive and grow.”

CUPW has been negotiating collective agreements with Canada Post for almost a year for the Urban Postal Operations and Rural and Suburban Mail Carriers (RSMC) bargaining units.

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