

2023 Forest Industry Bargaining

USW LOCAL 1-417 UPDATE

Update #18 – July 19, 2024

Locals 1-405, 1-417, and 1-423 in the Southern Interior Return Strong Strike Vote

Following bargaining and strike vote meetings with the membership covered by the Southern Interior Master Agreement over the past four weeks, the membership in all three Southern Locals (1-405 Cranbrook/Kootenays; 1-417 Kamloops/Thompson; 1-423 Kelowna/Okanagan Boundary) returned a strong 94% strike vote in favour of job action.

The Southern locals will now contact the IFLRA (the employer association representing employers Canfor; Tolko; Interfor; Pacific Wood Tech; Stella Jones; Galloway; Atco; Weyerhaeuser and Canoe) and invite them back to the bargaining table to bargain a fair deal that does not contain concessions and presents a fair monetary package that is acceptable to the membership.

When and if the employer agrees to return to the bargaining table, the bargaining committee will advise the membership of any agreed-to dates.

While a positive strike mandate has been expressed by the membership, the next steps will be to attempt again to find a deal. Failing that, a decision on issuing strike notice will be made and communicated to the membership.

Please follow your respective locals on social media and bulletins or contact the local offices for any information.

Fighting for a Fair Agreement!

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