B.C. Election 2026 - Day 14 Brief

Campaign Day 14 | Monday, October 5, 2026 | Final Voting Day: Saturday, October 24

DAY 14 IN 30 SECONDS

- New poll: Angus Reid has the Conservatives at 48%, NDP 43%, Greens 7% and other parties 2% among decided/leaning voters; fieldwork was Oct. 1-3. [2]
- Health care became the day's main two-party policy contest: the NDP proposed a seniors-care package; Conservatives proposed a $50-million emergency fund plus an expert wait-time commission. [3][6] [10]
- Greens: Emily Lowan proposed a wealth tax above $50 million; the party estimates $22.2 billion in first-year revenue and $5.4 billion annually thereafter. [8]
- No confirmed Day 14 leadership change, MLA switch, nomination change or withdrawal was identified by cutoff. CentreBC and OneBC had no material new province-wide policy announcement identified in the sources reviewed.

What changed on Day 14

AREA	CONFIRMED DEVELOPMENT	STATUS / WHY IT MATTERS
Polling	Angus Reid Institute released a new province-wide survey: Conservatives 48%, NDP 43%, Greens 7%, other 2% among decided/leaning voters. [2]	New on Oct. 5. Online panel; n=1,013 overall and n=846 decided/leaning. Treat as a vote-intent snapshot, not a seat forecast.
BC NDP	Eby announced a seniors-health package: 500 additional home-care workers, removal of home-care user fees, free shingles vaccines for people 50+ and immunocompromised adults, and expanded long-term-care supports. [3]	Confirmed party commitment. The NDP also pledged $90M toward an Oak Bay Lodge redevelopment and $500,000/year for three years for Jewish community security. [4][5]
BC Conservatives	Doerkson proposed preserving current health spending, a $50M emergency fund for recruitment/retention and rural practices, and an expert commission within 100 days to address waits. [6]	Confirmed party commitment. Separate Oct. 5 platform material proposes restructuring Metro Vancouver functions and auditing the North Shore wastewater project. [7]
BC Greens	Lowan unveiled the Fair Share Act: one-time wealth-tax bands of 5% / 10% / 20% above $50M / $100M / $1B, followed by annual 2% / 3% / 5% bands. [8]	Confirmed party proposal. Revenue figures are party estimates, not an independently verified forecast.
Local overlap	Coquitlam local-election advance voting opened Oct. 5, while provincial advance voting begins Oct. 16. [9][1]	The provincial campaign is now overlapping with active municipal voting. Oct. 17 local General Voting Day falls inside the provincial advance-vote period.
CentreBC / OneBC	No material Oct. 5 leadership, caucus or province-wide policy change was identified by cutoff.	Published candidate profiles and recirculated platform coverage were not treated as new developments after the Oct. 3 nomination deadline.

Campaign framing at close of Day 14

- BC Conservatives - Health-system capacity and wait times were paired with a local-governance efficiency message. The new Angus Reid poll gives the party a five-point vote-intent edge, but the sampling design does not support treating that gap as a precise probability statement. [2][6][7]
- BC NDP - The campaign emphasized seniors care and targeted public investment, with additional Oak Bay health-capital and community-security commitments. [3][4][5]
- BC Greens - The Fair Share Act creates a sharper tax-and-revenue contrast: a direct levy on very high household net wealth, with revenue earmarked in the party pitch for childcare, transit, housing and debt reduction. [8]
- CentreBC - No material Day 14 leadership, caucus or province-wide policy development was identified by cutoff.
- OneBC - No material Day 14 leadership, caucus or province-wide policy development was identified by cutoff; earlier platform themes were not re-counted as new.

Election clock

DATE	MILESTONE	CAMPAIGN SIGNIFICANCE
Oct. 5	Coquitlam local advance voting opens	Municipal ballots are now actively being cast during the provincial campaign. [9]
Oct. 12	Thanksgiving	Elections BC district electoral offices are closed. [1]
Oct. 16-21	Provincial advance voting	8 a.m.-8 p.m. local time; no reason is required to vote early. [1]
Oct. 17	General Local Election voting day	Direct one-day overlap with provincial advance voting. [1][9]
Oct. 18	Vote-by-mail request deadline	Last day to request a provincial vote-by-mail package online or by phone. [1]
Oct. 24	Provincial Final Voting Day	Voting places open 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Pacific; completed mail packages must be received by 8 p.m. [1]

Polling: a new Angus Reid snapshot

Vote intention among decided and leaning voters: BC Conservatives 48% | BC NDP 43% | BC Greens 7% | Other parties 2%. [2]
Fieldwork: Oct. 1-3, 2026. Overall B.C. adult sample n=1,013; decided/leaning base n=846. Respondents came from the Angus Reid Forum online panel and were weighted by region, gender, age, household income and education. [2]
Methodological caveat: Angus Reid says that, for comparison purposes only, a probability sample of n=1,013 would have a margin of error of about +/-3 percentage points 19 times out of 20. Because this is an online panel, that is not a conventional probability-sample margin of error for this poll. The result is a province-wide vote-intent snapshot, not a seat projection. [2]
Electorate: 46% said they were "very certain" of their choice, up from 35% in Angus Reid's Sept. 22-24 wave. [2]

Provincial-local election overlap

Voting overlap: Coquitlam opened local advance polls on Oct. 5. Local General Voting Day is Oct. 17, which falls inside the provincial advance-voting window of Oct. 16-21. The elections remain separate processes with separate ballots and administrators. [9][1]
Policy overlap: the BC Conservatives' Oct. 5 Metro Vancouver proposal would refocus the regional body on water and sewage, return housing, economic-development, air-quality and climate-policy functions to other governments, and order an audit of the North Shore wastewater project. This is a provincial campaign proposal affecting local/regional governance, not a municipal ballot measure. [7]

What to watch on Day 15 - Tuesday, October 6

- Costing and implementation scrutiny of the Greens' wealth-tax proposal and both major parties' health-care commitments.
- Whether CentreBC or OneBC breaks the post-nomination quiet period with a material province-wide platform or leadership development.
- Additional polling after the final candidate slate locked, especially whether regional subsamples point consistently in the same direction.
- Further provincial-local collision as municipal advance voting expands ahead of Oct. 17.

Scope note. Public sources were reviewed through 7:49 p.m. PT on Oct. 5, 2026. Party releases are used as primary evidence of what a party announced; claims, forecasts and revenue estimates are attributed to the party unless independently verified. Routine attacks, candidate profiles published after nominations closed, and previously announced platform items were excluded unless there was a substantive new development. No confirmed Day 14 leadership change, MLA switch, nomination change or withdrawal was identified by cutoff.

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