

Number: PL-361  
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From: Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA)  
Subject: Code relief for area code 250 – British Columbia - NPA 778 Boundary  
Realignment (British Columbia, Canada)  
Related Previous Planning Letters: None

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In Telecom Decision CRTC 2007-38 (the Decision), Code relief for area code 250 – British Columbia, dated 7 June 2007 the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) approved the realignment of the area code 778 boundary to cover the entire province of British Columbia, Canada. Additionally, the CRTC permitted the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA) to resume assigning area code 604 Central Office (CO) Codes in the area presently served by area code 778 which currently overlays a portion of area code 604. In the Decision, the CRTC approved the Relief Date of 4 July 2007 for the area code 778 boundary realignment, and the resumption of assignment of CO Codes from area code 604 in the area presently served by area code 778.

The Decision also directed the introduction of mandatory 10-digit local dialing in the area served by area code 250, which consists of Vancouver Island and the mainland of British Columbia, Canada, excluding the lower mainland.

Prior to mandatory 10-digit local dialing, callers dialing local calls with 7 digits will hear a network announcement notifying them to dial local calls with 10-digits in the future, after which their calls will be completed. Canadian carriers operating in NPA 250 will start providing this network announcement no earlier than 23 June 2008 and no later than 27 June 2008, and maintain it until mandatory 10-digit local dialing is introduced no earlier than 8 September 2008 and no later than 12 September 2008.

When mandatory 10-digit local dialing is introduced, a caller dialling a local call with 7 digits will hear a network announcement informing the caller that local 10-digit dialing is required and directing the caller to hang up and redial using the area code plus the 7-digit number they are calling.

The dialing plan for the NPA 250/778 area will be as follows:

- All local calls, including Extended Area Service calls, originating within the NPA 250/778 area must be dialed with 10-digits; i.e., NPA-NXX-XXXX.
- Toll and alternately billed service calls within the NPA 250/778 area will continue to be dialed with 10-digits after the appropriate prefix digit(s).

From 7 June 2007, CO Codes from the 778 area code may be assigned to Telecommunications Service Providers (TSPs) for use throughout British Columbia including the NPA 250 and 604 regions, however assigned codes in the NPA 250 region cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to 4 July 2007.

From 7 June 2007, remaining CO Codes from the 604 area code may be assigned to TSPs for use in the present NPA 778 region, however assigned codes cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to 4 July 2007.

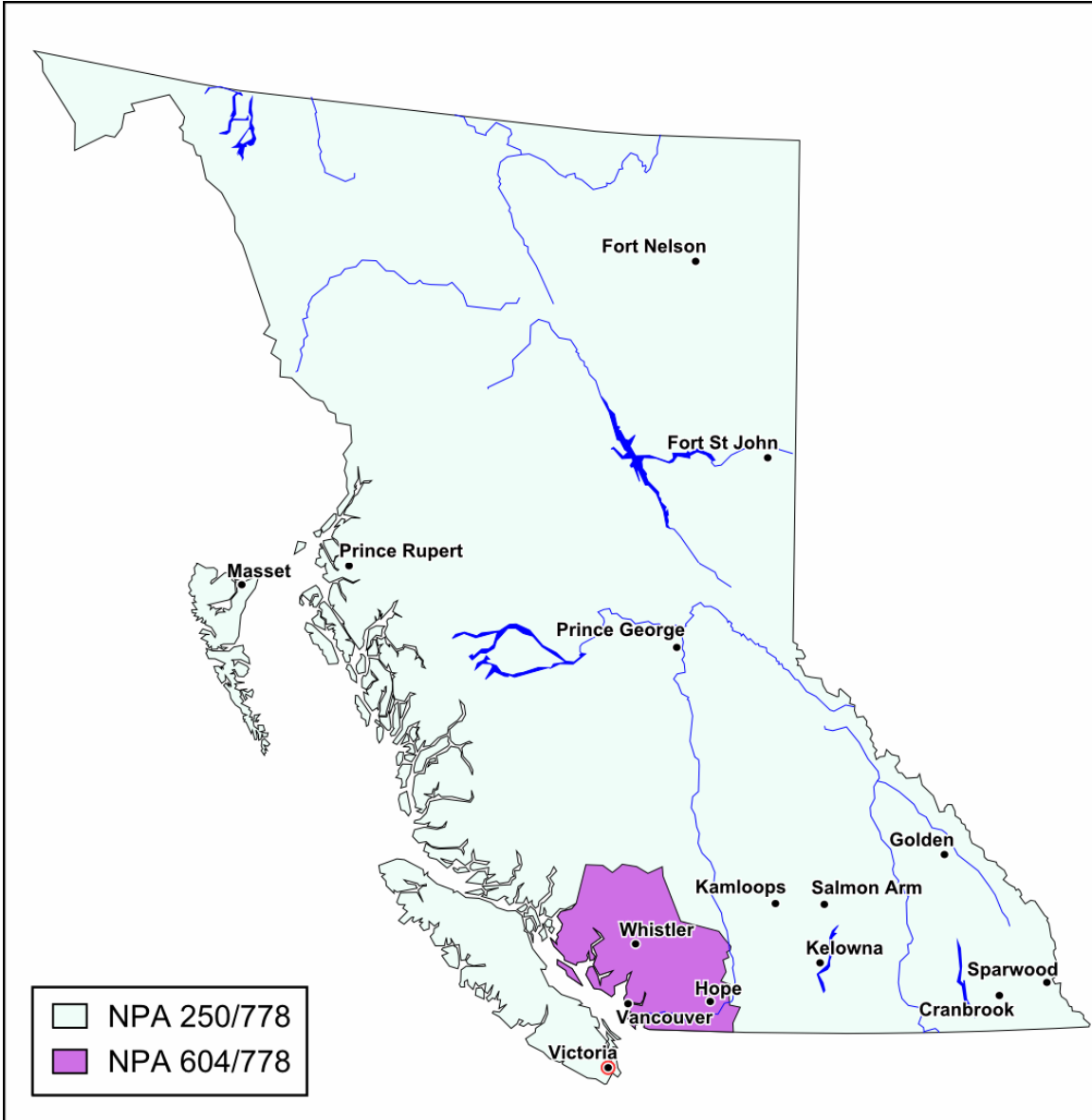
Lists of exchange areas in each area code in British Columbia are attached to this letter.

General questions about this relief activity or Central Office Code Administration may be directed to Glenn Pilley or Suresh Khare, CNA, at 613-563-7242. Technical questions should be directed to the appropriate TSP.

# Map of British Columbia Before NPA 250 Relief



# Map of British Columbia After NPA 250 Relief



## Exchange Areas in NPA 250

100 MILE HOUSE	CORTES ISLAND	GREENWOOD
108 MILE HOUSE	COURTENAY	GULF ISLANDS
150 MILE HOUSE	CRANBROOK	HAGENSBORG
70 MILE HOUSE	CRAWFORD BAY	HANSARD
AHOUSAT	CRESTON	HARTLEY BAY
AIYANSH	CUMBERLAND	HARTWAY
ALERT BAY	DALLAS	HAZELTON
ALEXIS CREEK	DAWSON CREEK	HEDLEY
ALKALI LAKE	DEASE LAKE	HENDRIX LAKE
ARMSTRONG	DECKER LAKE	HIXON
ASHCROFT	DONALD	HOLBERG
ASPEN PARK	DOUGLAS LAKE	HORSEFLY
ATLIN	DRAGON LAKE	HOUSTON
AVOLA	DUNCAN	HUDSONS HOPE
BALFOUR	DUNCAN LAKE	INVERMERE
BAMFIELD	DUNSTER	ISKUT
BARRIERE	EAST PINE	JAFFRAY
BEAR LAKE	ELKFORD	JORDAN RIVER
BEAVER COVE	ELKO	KASLO
BEAVER VALLEY	ENDERBY	KELOWNA
BEAVERDELL	FAIRMONT HOT SPRINGS	KEMANO
BELLA BELLA	FALKLAND	KEREMEOS
BELLA COOLA	FAUQUIER	KIMBERLEY
BLUE RIVER	FERNIE	KINCOLITH
BOAT BASIN	FIELD	KITIMAT
BOB QUINN LAKE	FLATROCK	KITKATLA
BOSWELL	FOREST GROVE	KITSAULT
BOUCHIE LAKE	FORT FRASER	KITWANGA
BOWSER	FORT NELSON	KLEMTU
BRIDGE LAKE	FORT ST JAMES	KYUQUOT
BURNS LAKE	FORT ST JOHN	LAC LA HACHE
CACHE CREEK	FORT WARE	LADYSMITH
CAMPBELL RIVER	FRANCOIS LAKE	LAKE COWICHAN
CANAL FLATS	FRASER LAKE	LAKELSE
CASSIAR	FRUITVALE	LAKEVIEW HEIGHTS
CASTLEGAR	FULFORD HARBOUR	LANTZVILLE
CEDAR	GABRIOLA ISLAND	LASQUETI ISLAND
CELISTA	GANGES	LIKELY
CHASE	GENELLE	LILLOOET
CHEMAINUS	GISCOME	LITTLE FORT
CHETWYND	GOLD BRIDGE	LOGAN LAKE
CHIEF LAKE	GOLD RIVER	LOOS
CHILAKO	GOLDEN	LOWER POST
CHRISTINA LAKE	GRAND FORKS	LUMBY
CLEARWATER	GRANISLE	LYTTON
CLINTON	GRASMERE	MACKENZIE
CLUCULZ LAKE	GRASSY PLAINS	MANNING PARK
COBBLE HILL	GREENVILLE	MASSET
COMOX		MCBRIDE

**Exchange Areas in  
NPA 250**

MCLEESE LAKE  
MCLEOD LAKE  
MERRITT  
MICA CREEK  
MIDWAY  
MONTNEY  
MOYIE  
MUNCHO LAKE  
NAKUSP  
NANAIMO  
NANOOSE  
NARAMATA  
NELSON  
NEW DENVER  
NIMPO LAKE  
NORTH KAMLOOPS  
NORTH NELSON  
OCEAN FALLS  
OKANAGAN FALLS  
OKANAGAN MISSION  
OLIVER  
OSOYOOS  
OYAMA  
OYSTER BAY  
PARKSVILLE  
PARSON  
PEACHLAND  
PENDER ISLAND  
PENTICTON  
PINEVIEW  
PORT ALBERNI  
PORT ALICE  
PORT CLEMENTS  
PORT EDWARD  
PORT HARDY  
PORT MCNEILL  
PORT RENFREW  
PORT SIMPSON  
POUCE COUPE  
PRESPATOU  
PRINCE GEORGE  
PRINCE RUPERT  
PRINCETON  
PRITCHARD  
PROPHET RIVER  
PUNTZI  
QUADRA ISLAND  
QUALICUM  
QUEEN CHARLOTTE  
QUESNEL

RADIUM  
RED ROCK  
REVELSTOKE  
RIONDEL  
RISKE CREEK  
ROCK CREEK  
ROLLA  
ROSSLAND  
RUTLAND  
SAANICH  
SALMO  
SALMON ARM  
SALMON VALLEY  
SANDSPIT  
SAVONA  
SAYWARD  
SHALALTH  
SICAMOUS  
SKOOKUMCHUCK  
SLOCAN  
SMITHERS  
SOINTULA  
SOOKE  
SORRENTO  
SOUTH KAMLOOPS  
SOUTH SLOCAN  
SPARWOOD  
SPENCES BRIDGE  
SPILLIMACHEEN  
STEWART  
SUMMERLAND  
SUMMIT LAKE  
TACHIE  
TAHSIS  
TAPPEN  
TATLA LAKE  
TAYLOR  
TELEGRAPH CREEK  
TELKWA  
TERRACE  
THRUMS  
TOAD RIVER  
TOFINO  
TOPLEY  
TRAIL  
TROUT LAKE  
TSAY-KEH-DENE  
TUMBLER RIDGE  
UCLUELET  
UNION BAY

VALEMOUNT  
VALLICAN  
VANDERHOOF  
VANWAY  
VAVENBY  
VERNON  
VICTORIA  
WELLINGTON  
WELLS  
WESTBANK  
WESTSYDE  
WESTWOLD  
WILDWOOD  
WILLIAMS LAKE  
WILLOW POINT  
WILLOWBROOK  
WINFIELD  
WINTER HARBOUR  
WONOWON  
WOSS LAKE  
WYNNDEL  
YAHK  
YOUBOU  
ZEBALLOS

**Exchange Areas in  
NPA 604**

ABBOTSFORD  
AGASSIZ  
ALDERGROVE  
BLACK POINT  
BOSTON BAR  
BOWEN ISLAND  
BRITANNIA BEACH  
CHILLIWACK  
CLOVERDALE  
D ARCY  
FORT LANGLEY  
GIBSONS  
HANEY  
HEMLOCK VALLEY  
HOPE  
LADNER  
LANGLEY  
MISSION  
NEWTON  
NEWWTMNSTR  
NORTH  
VANCOUVER  
PEMBERTON  
PENDER  
HARBOUR  
PITT MEADOWS  
PORT COQUITLAM  
PORT MELLON  
PORT MOODY  
POWELL RIVER  
RICHMOND  
ROSEDALE  
SARDIS  
SECHELT  
SQUAMISH  
VANANDA  
VANCOUVER  
WEST  
VANCOUVER  
WESTVIEW  
WHALLEY  
WHISTLER  
WHITE ROCK  
WHONNOCK  
YALE  
YARROW

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100 MILE HOUSE	CHILLIWACK	GIBSONS
108 MILE HOUSE	CHRISTINA LAKE	GISCOME
150 MILE HOUSE	CLEARWATER	GOLD BRIDGE
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LANTZVILLE	PITT MEADOWS	SOINTULA
LASQUETI ISLAND	PORT ALBERNI	SOOKE
LIKELY	PORT ALICE	SORRENTO
LILLOOET	PORT CLEMENTS	SOUTH KAMLOOPS
LITTLE FORT	PORT COQUITLAM	SOUTH SLOCAN
LOGAN LAKE	PORT EDWARD	SPARWOOD
LOOS	PORT HARDY	SPENCES BRIDGE
LOWER POST	PORT MCNEILL	SPILLIMACHEEN
LUMBY	PORT MELLON	SQUAMISH
LYTTON	PORT MOODY	STEWART
MACKENZIE	PORT RENFREW	SUMMERLAND
MANNING PARK	PORT SIMPSON	SUMMIT LAKE
MASSET	POUCE COUPE	TACHIE
MCBRIDE	POWELL RIVER	TAHSIS
MCLEESE LAKE	PRESPTOU	TAPPEN
MCLEOD LAKE	PRINCE GEORGE	TATLA LAKE
MERRITT	PRINCE RUPERT	TAYLOR
MICA CREEK	PRINCETON	TELEGRAPH CREEK
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