

Staffing is postponed. The Viaduct pavilions are on hold. As construction of international pavilions begins labour unrest erupts, resulting in two lengthy work stoppages. The Board of Directors overrules Pattison and Kerkhoff begins work on Mini-Expo. Unions walk off and trades threaten to stop project. Expo asks Victoria to create open site by declaring Special Economic Zones.

Elimination of amusement zone forces extensive redesign to site. A new area is sought at the west end of the site. A "Night Life" area is created at BC Place and locations must be found for five amusement rides, a main theatre for big name attractions, a cabaret complex, and a variety of other features. Location of amusement elements adjacent to Canada Portal is opposed by Canada Pavilion and slows area development including ALRT/Monorail connection.

The foundation is laid for the Expo Centre preview pavilion but the project is far behind schedule and beginning to suffer cost overruns.

The Site Planning team moves to the prototype module to be near the 1:100 model. A building is being sought to house all Expo staff. The Battaglia planning to convert the Fields Building into a giant beer hall is abandoned with the loss of the amusement area. Now considered for Operations and Planning headquarters. Blagborne opposes as substandard.

The Roundhouse restoration design is complete and a proposal brief for the exhibit is issued to 33 international design firms. Planning begins on Roundhouse plaza, including consideration of steam locomotive. The cabaret complex previously in the amusement zone is moved to BC Place, dislodging the fine arts gallery. The gallery will occupy the machine shop area of the Roundhouse.

All Expo Centre shows have been awarded. The exhibit harbour concept has been signed off. The Museum of Anthropology has been contracted for research and acquisition assignments. A steam clock is under consideration. Development of site-wide lighting design is underway. The Land Plaza is doubtful but Exhibits urging full air-land-marine plaza group. Ferry boat being sought to provide alternative to lost Land Plaza but concept conflicts with planned water ski show.