

FIELD STUDIES INFORMATION SHEET

BC Hydro Bat Surveys August 2010 - ongoing

BC Hydro is initiating a bat hibernacula study in the Peace River corridor in August.

The purpose of the study is to document the presence of bat hibernacula (caves where bats hibernate for the winter) within and outside the area of the proposed Site C reservoir.

Work in August will include aerial and ground surveys of the Peace River corridor between the location of the proposed Site C dam and the Alberta border and other potential sites in the surrounding area to assess the potential for hibernacula and installation of equipment for acoustic monitoring. Acoustic monitoring will occur from late August to mid-November.

Access to public and private land is required in order to complete the survey work. BC Hydro will obtain permission from land owners and provide notification to BC Hydro leaseholders before entry onto private or leased lands.

Field study updates are available at **www.bchydro.com/sitec** and in the Community Consultation offices in Fort St. John and Hudson's Hope.

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SITE C FIELD STUDIES BAT STUDIES August 2010

- BC Hydro will be initiating a bat hibernacula study in the Peace River corridor in August.
- Aerial and ground surveys and acoustic monitoring will take place between the location of the proposed Site C Dam and the Alberta border.
- Public and private land will be accessed. BC Hydro will obtain permissions from land owners and provide notification to BC Hydro leaseholders before entry onto private or leased lands.



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