

March 4, 2022

Dear Old Fort resident:

Re: Fish habitat construction near Old Fort begins early March

BC Hydro is starting to build fish habitat enhancement near the community of Old Fort, as part of the Site C project. Please refer to the attached map for more information.

Construction is expected to begin in early March. The majority of work will be complete by December 2022, and the site will be fully demobilized in fall 2023.

We will be holding a virtual open house to share more information on April 7.

Construction timeline:

- **March**: Crews will clear vegetation for the access route from the on-site "River Road" access, along the north side of the Peace River, towards the future fish habitat enhancement site near Old Fort. They will also clear the southern half of the island including a small portion directly across from Old Fort. This clearing provides space for hauling to temporary stockpile sites during fish enhancement works. We expect to finish clearing on March 31, 2022.
- **Mid-May**: Crews will start building access, coming off River Road, heading eastward toward the fish enhancement works. Completion of this access, including installation of two bridges, is planned for the end of June 2022.
- **May December 2022**: Crews will be enhancing fish habitat in the river, to deepen the channel and increase the area of permanently wetted habitat when Site C comes into operation.
- Summer Fall 2023: Decommissioning and removal of infrastructure and equipment.

What to expect

Safety of our workers and the public is our top priority. BC Hydro is working with Site C contractors to ensure work is planned and managed effectively.

Construction areas will be closed to the public due to safety reasons.

Hours of work: Work will usually occur from 7 am to 5 pm, seven days a week. Work outside of these hours may be needed.

Traffic: There will be no increased construction traffic along Old Fort Road, since all log and gravel hauling will take place within the project site.



Equipment: A variety of heavy equipment will be used. These include different types of on-and-off-road trucks, excavators, loaders, vegetation clearing machines, and graders.

Impacts: There will be increased noise, dust and traffic in the local area. Crews will mitigate these impacts when possible.

Open house:

When:	Thursday, April 7, 2022
	7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Who:	Old Fort residents
Where:	MS Teams (online) or by telephone

How to register

Please email us at <u>sitec@bchydro.com</u> or call 1(877) 217-0777 to confirm attendance. Once you've registered, we'll send you the conference call details and MS Teams invitation. Attendance is by registration only.

Please contact us if you have any questions or would like more information.

Sincerely,

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Fish habitat construction: March – December 2022

