

Field Studies Information Sheet

PEACE RIVER SITE C HYDRO PROJECT

BC Hydro is conducting rare plant, waterfowl, butterfly, and bat capture and detector surveys in the Peace River area from Hudson's Hope to the B.C.-Alberta border

BC Hydro is conducting rare plant, waterfowl, butterfly, and bat capture and detector surveys in the Peace River area as part of the Stage 2 evaluation of the potential Site C project. The bat capture and detector surveys require a maximum of 12 bats to be fitted with radio transmitters in order to locate roosting sites and maternity colonies.

Land access will be required over public and private land in order to complete this survey work. BC Hydro will obtain permission from land owners and leaseholders before accessing private property.

Because much of the information currently known about the potential Site C project is almost 25 years old, information from new field studies is required to update engineering, environmental studies, and other technical work.

No decision has been made to build Site C. BC Hydro is taking a stage-by-stage approach to the evaluation of the potential project and is currently in Stage 2 – Project Definition and Consultation. This stage involves further project definition, including environmental, engineering and socio-economic studies, as well as public consultation.

Field study updates are available on the website at www.bchydro.com/sitec and in the Community Consultation Office: 9948 100th Avenue, Fort St. John.

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- Rare Plant Survey: Sites will be visited once during the last two weeks of July.
- Waterfowl Survey: Will take place in the first week of July.
- Butterfly Survey: Sites will be visited twice during the first and last week of July.
- Bat Capture Survey: Sites will be visited up to three times in last two weeks of July.
- Bat Detector Survey: Monitoring of radio tags will be continuous for life of the radio tag (7-17 days).

Initial transport will be by vehicle or boat. A crew of two people will then access survey sites by foot. All survey dates are weather dependent and subject to change.

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