

## FIELD STUDIES INFORMATION SHEET

### Wildlife and Vegetation Surveys: May – September 2015

BC Hydro is continuing to conduct environmental and engineering field studies on and around the Peace River between the Williston Reservoir and the Alberta border to inform detailed mitigation and monitoring planning. In December 2014, the Site C project received approval from the provincial government to proceed to construction.

Starting in May and running through September 2015, BC Hydro will be conducting various wildlife and vegetation surveys throughout the Site C project area to inform detailed mitigation and monitoring planning. These surveys will include:

- Rare and sensitive ecosystem surveys
- Wetland classification surveys
- Rare plant surveys
- Wetland mitigation surveys
- Species model verification
- Kingfisher population surveys
- Surveys for songbirds and raptors

Surveys will be conducted on Crown and BC Hydro owned lands and on private lands, once permissions to access have been received.

During the surveys, the field crew will walk throughout the property recording the physical attributes of the site, recording observations of target species and taking photographs. While surveying wetlands, the characteristics of the soil will be sampled using either handheld shovels or augers.

The field crew will access properties by vehicle, quads and foot; a boat will be used to access locations along the Peace River.

Field study updates are available at [sitecproject.com](http://sitecproject.com) and in the Community Consultation offices in Fort St. John and Hudson's Hope.

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### WILDLIFE AND VEGETATION SURVEYS May – September 2015

- BC Hydro is conducting various wildlife and vegetation surveys throughout the Site C project area to inform detailed mitigation and monitoring planning.
- Survey work will include walking sites to recording the physical attributes, recording observations of target species and taking photographs.
- BC Hydro will obtain the necessary permissions before land is accessed.