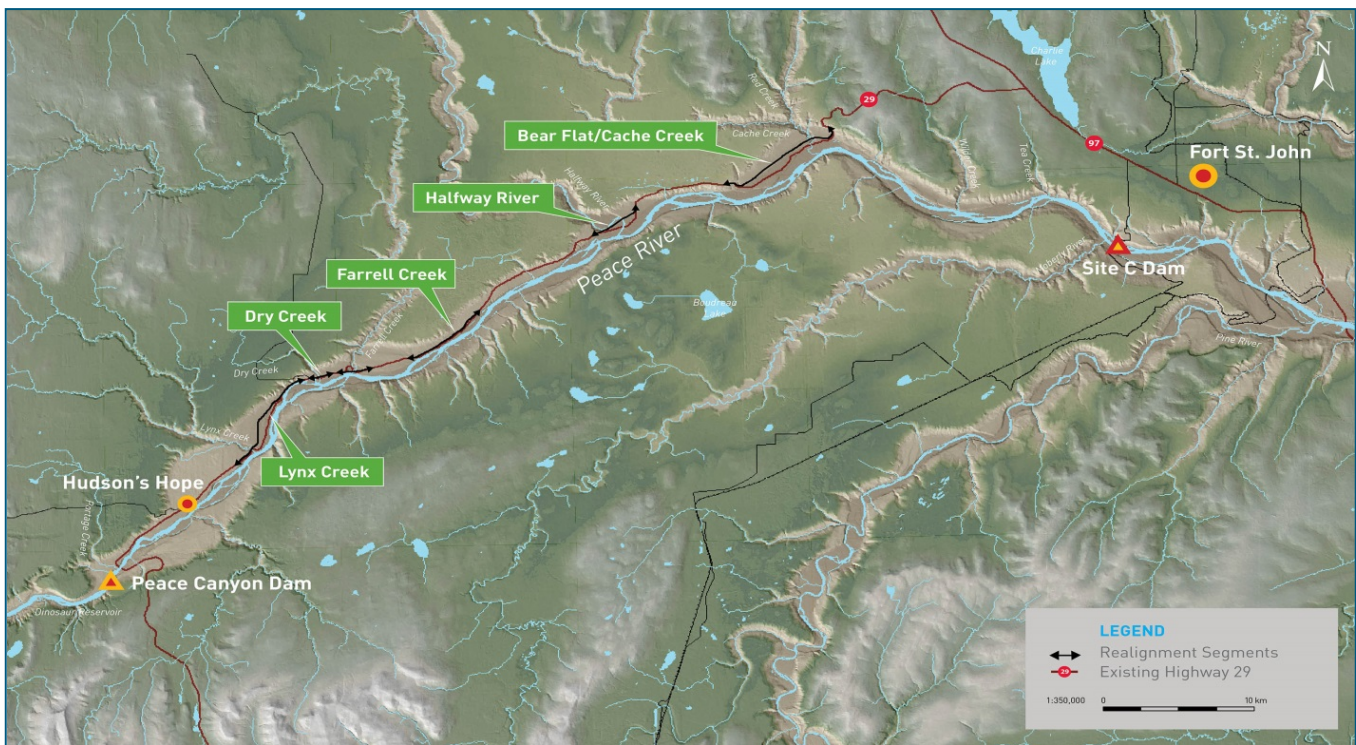


Highway 29 realignment: Cache Creek

Connecting the community of Hudson’s Hope with the Alaska Highway and Fort St. John, Highway 29 is a 70-kilometre stretch of road that winds along the north side of the Peace River in northeastern British Columbia. When the Site C reservoir is filled beginning in 2023, the reservoir will widen the Peace River and inundate parts of this existing highway.

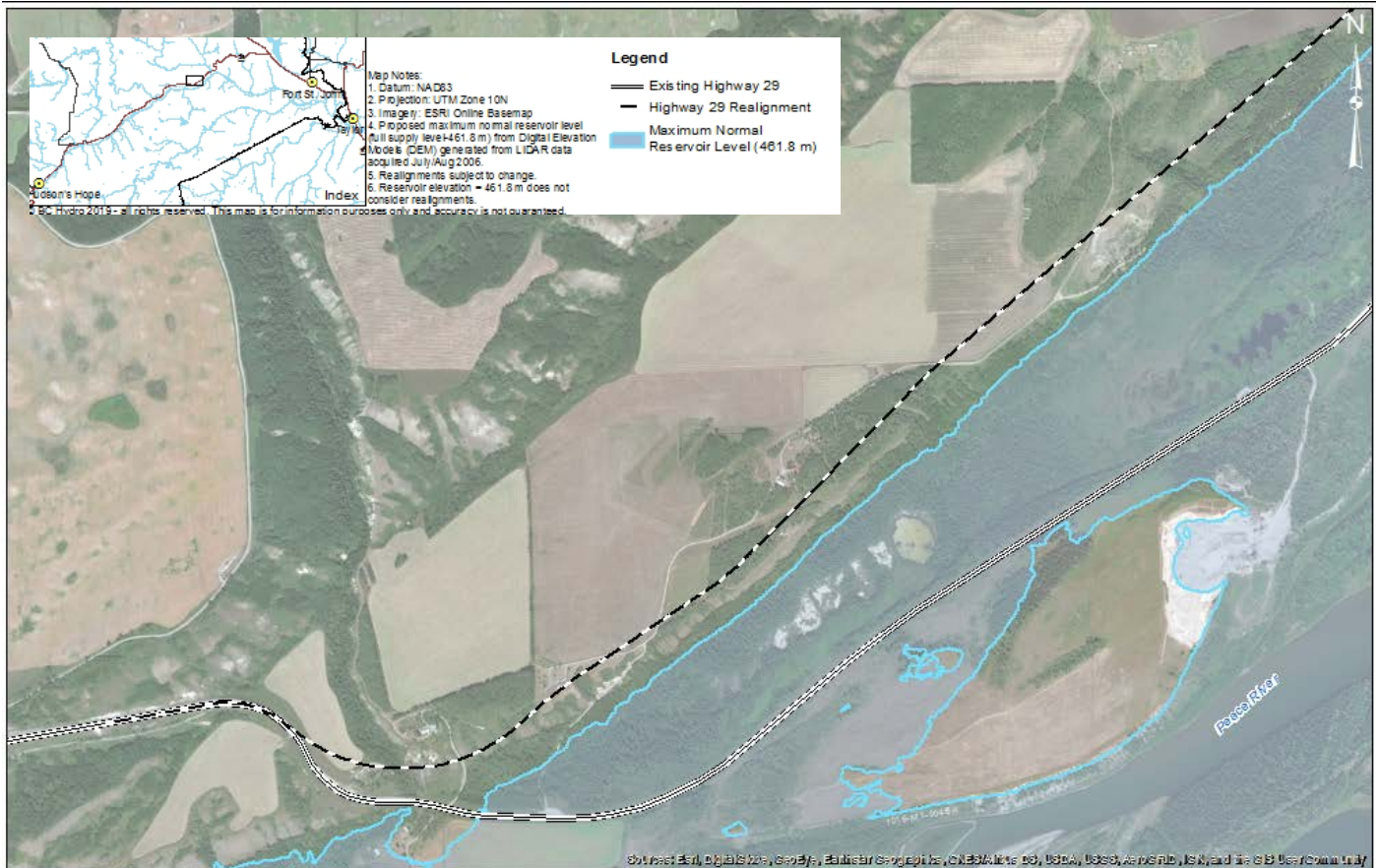
As a result, BC Hydro is realigning six segments of the highway. Construction is taking place from 2018 – 2023. The work involves moving parts of the highway north of the future reservoir, as well as constructing bridges, culverts, and berms.



| Segment name | Segment length | Site preparation | Construction |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Cache Creek/Bear Flat | Cache Creek East 6 km | 2018 – 2020 | 2020 – 2023 |
| | Cache Creek West 4 km | 2017 – 2018 | 2018 – 2020 |
| Halfway River | 4 km | 2019 – 2019 | 2019 – 2022 |
| Farrell Creek East | 6 km | 2020 – 2020 | 2021 – 2022 |
| Farrell Creek | 2 km | 2020 – 2020 | 2021 – 2023 |
| Dry Creek | 1.5 km | 2019 – 2020 | 2020 – 2021 |
| Lynx Creek | 8 km | 2019 – 2021 | 2020 – 2023 |

Cache Creek West Highway 29 construction (2018 – 2020)

Construction on the western part of the highway realignment at Cache Creek began in late 2018. This work involves moving the highway north of its current location.



Current work

As of April 2019, the following work has taken place at Cache Creek West:

- Mobilizing equipment, machinery and crew to site
- Moving electrical and telephone distribution poles
- Clearing the site and removing vegetation and debris
- Creating a construction laydown area to store and receive materials
- Building access roads
- Site preparation of the Peace View borrow area and production of aggregates to be used in construction.

Upcoming work

- Commencing in May, culverts will be installed and construction of the highway grade will continue. This work will continue until the summer of 2020.

Reservoir clearing

Before the reservoir can be filled, the area needs to be clear of vegetation and debris. Clearing within the Cache Creek drainage area is complete, with debris burning to take place in winter 2019-2020. East of Cache Creek to the dam site area, clearing is mostly complete. Clearing is still required west of Cache Creek and will begin as early as August 2019.

During spring and summer 2019, clearing will be limited to avoid bird-nesting season and reduce other impacts on the environment.



Photo: Reservoir clearing in the Cache Creek drainage area

What to expect during construction

- Work will take place seven days a week, during daytime (and possibly some nighttime) shifts.
- There will be increased noise and construction-related traffic. You may see construction equipment and haul trucks on local roads.
- Traffic control will be in place at various times and locations. Drivers may experience intermittent delays travelling through the construction areas. Please drive carefully and follow the directions of signs and traffic personnel. Please consult www.drivebc.com for the latest updates.

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