

Site C Clean Energy Project

Regional Community Liaison Committee Meeting

Meeting Summary
December 6, 2023, 2:30 to 4:00 pm MST
Meeting via MS Teams videoconference

ATTENDEES <i>Regional Community Liaison Committee Members</i>	<p>Mayor Lilia Hansen, City of Fort St. John</p> <p>Director Leonard Hiebert, Area D, Peace River Regional District</p> <p>Steve McLain, CAO, District of Chetwynd</p> <p>Margaret McDonald, BC Hydro Liaison, McLeod Lake Indian Band</p> <p>Moira Green, CAO, District of Taylor</p> <p>Jim Morgan, ATCO</p> <p>Shanna Mason, BC Hydro</p> <p>Bob Gammer, BC Hydro (RCLC Chair)</p> <p>Dave Hunter, BC Hydro</p> <p>Jerry Muir, BC Hydro</p> <p>Ben Rauscher, BC Hydro</p> <p>Chris Waite, BC Hydro</p> <p>Karen von Muehldorfer, BC Hydro</p> <p>Katrina Kelly, BC Hydro</p> <p>Scott Wood, BC Hydro</p> <p>Kate O'Neil, BC Hydro</p> <p>Wendy Laluk, BC Hydro</p> <p>Frances Pedroso de Almeida, BC Hydro</p>
INVITED GUESTS	
ATTENDED	None
ABSENT WITH REGRET	<p>Mayor Allen Courtoreille, District of Chetwynd</p> <p>Mayor Travous Quibell, District of Hudson's Hope</p> <p>Director Dan Rose, Area E, Peace River Regional District</p> <p>Mayor Brent Taillefer, District of Taylor</p> <p>Councillor Betty Ponto, District of Taylor</p> <p>Milo MacDonald, CAO, City of Fort St. John</p> <p>Councillor Tashana Winnicky, District of Hudson's Hope</p> <p>Kevin Henderson, CAO, City of Dawson Creek</p> <p>Jennifer McCracken, Lands & Resources Manager, Doig River First Nation</p> <p>Naiomi McKinnon, McLeod Lake Indian Band</p> <p>Stephanie Rocheleau, Land & Stewardship Director, McLeod Lake Indian Band</p> <p>Dan Davies, MLA, Peace River North</p>

	<p>Tamara Wilkinson, Constituency Assistant, Peace River North</p> <p>Mike Bernier, MLA, Peace River South</p> <p>Lisa Ward, Constituency Assistant, Peace River South</p> <p>Councillor Raymond Johnston, Village of Pouce Coupe</p> <p>Aleen Torrance, Interim CAO, District of Tumbler Ridge</p> <p>Representative to be named, Sauleau First Nations</p> <p>Shawn Dahlen, CAO, Peace River Regional District</p> <p>Troy Van Bostelen, AFDE</p> <p>Jamie Bodnarchuk, PRHP</p> <p>Adriana DaCosta, MOTI</p> <p>Patricia, Blueberry River First Nations</p> <p>Director Jordon Kealy, Area B, Peace River Regional District</p> <p>Mayor Darcy Dober, City of Dawson Creek</p>
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Documents Distributed for the September meeting:

- RCLC Meeting Agenda
- RCLC Action Item log
- RCLC Meeting Notes of September 13, 2023

Opening / Welcome

- Bob welcomed all attendees.
- Round table introductions and acknowledgment of traditional territories.

Review of Agenda & Action Items

Bob reviewed the agenda.

BC Hydro Project Update

ATCO Camp Market Sounding

Shanna Mason provided an update on decommissioning of the ATCO Camp.

Dam On-site Construction Update

Chris Waite provided updates about on-site construction activities.

Off-Site Construction

Katrina Kelly provided an update on off-site construction activities.

Reservoir Filling and Operations – David Hunter, Project Manager

Dave provided an update on the Site C reservoir filling.

- Leonard asked what the number of workers will be when the reservoir is filled in 2024?
 - Chris explained that workers have gone from a peak of 2,200 in camp down to 1,000 currently and that will continue to drop and stabilize around 900. There will be a drop in numbers in September and will be down to 250 workers in camp by the end of 2024. At that time, the camp will likely close and remaining employees would be housed in Fort St John area hotels. Add 20% more for local workers for a total of 300 workers at site when the reservoir is filled.

Communications Update - Bob Gammer, Community Relations Manager

- Bob provided a summary of reservoir filling community information sessions from 2023.
- Bob explained that First Nations will be engaged on the naming process for Site C.

Jobs and Business Update Kate O'Neil, Stakeholder Engagement Advisor

Kate provided an update on Site C jobs and business participation.

Contractors Update

Jim Morgan, ATCO

- Nothing to report.

Round Table

- Fort St John Mayor Hanson has positive news on the new 115 senior units in the downtown core starting in 2024. Fort St John is looking for safety measures from Minister Farnworth regarding nuisance houses and is reaching out to other communities. The Santa Claus parade was a success with over 2,000 attendees and 70 floats.
- Chetwynd CAO Steve McLain reports that all is well in Chetwynd. No news is good news.
- Taylor CAO Moira Green reports that Taylor Council is finalizing the budget and has been successful in getting some housing for Taylor that is age-friendly. A letter from the minister provides an update on the Taylor Bridge process in that they are buying land for a possible new bridge.
- McLeod Lake Liaison Maggie McDonald reports she will be participating in BC Hydro's FWCP meeting and the elders Christmas party in the next week. The Wellness Centre is near completion with just decorations left to put on the walls. The Christmas season is busy as always.
- Director Leonard Hiebert thanked BC Hydro for the information provided today. Area D has been struggling with drought conditions. It's been a heavy strain on agriculture. Water security is a message that the cattlemen are taking to the province for a solution. The crucial importance of water is being noticed.
- Director Jordan Kealy stated that the RCLC provided useful information. Enjoy the holiday season!

Next Steps & Closing

- The next meeting will be via MS Teams videoconference on March 6, 2024.
- Adjourned at 3:22 pm MST