

# FISH COLLECTION PERMIT <u>Inventory</u> Amended June 6, 2018

File: 34770-20

ATS Project: 270863 Permit No.: FJ18-290263

Permit Holder: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority – Michael McArthur

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Pursuant to section 19 of the *Wildlife Act*, RSBC 1996, Chap. 488, and section 18 of the Angling and Scientific Regulations, BC Reg. 125/90, the above named persons are hereby authorized to collect fish for scientific purposes from non-tidal waters subject to the conditions set forth in this Permit:

Permitted Sampling Period: June 15, 2018 to October 31, 2019

Permitted Waterbodies: Peace Region - See Appendix C

Permitted Sampling Techniques: AG, DN, EF, MT, SN (subject to permit terms and

conditions)

**Potential Species:** See Appendix D (subject to permit terms and conditions)

Permitted Lethal Sampling: See Appendix E (subject to permit terms and conditions)

<u>Provincial Conditions:</u> Appendix A (Permit holders must be aware of all terms and conditions):

See Appendix A.

#### **Region Specific Conditions:**

**Variance approved for Regional Condition #4:** Electrofishing will be permitted between September 15 and June 15 in streams containing bull trout within the Moberly River. See Appendix A.

**Authorized by:** 

Chris Addison Regional Manager

**Recreational Fisheries & Wildlife Programs** 

**Peace Region** 

Date: June 6, 2018

This permit supersedes FJ18-290263 issued on May 31, 2018

Permit Fee \$25

Any contravention or failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit is an offense under the *Wildlife Act*, RSBC 1996, Chap. 488 and B.C. Reg. 125/90.

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### **Appendix A: Fish Collection Permit Conditions**

Any Variation of the following terms and conditions will require explicit authorization by the appropriate regional Fish & Wildlife Section Head.

#### **Provincial Conditions**

- 1. This collecting permit is not valid
  - in national parks,
  - in provincial parks unless a Park Use Permit is also obtained,
  - in tidal waters,
  - for eulachon or for salmon\* other than kokanee, or
  - for collecting fish by angling unless the permit holder and crew members possess a valid angling licence.

This collecting permit is only valid for species listed as threatened, endangered or extirpated under the Species at Risk Act (SARA) in conjunction with a permit issued under Section 73 of SARA from Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

\*Contact the Department of Fisheries and Oceans for fish collecting permits for salmon, eulachon or SARA listed species (see Appendix B).

- 2. The permit holder (or the project supervisor) named on the application for a scientific collection permit will carry a copy of this permit while engaged in fish collecting and produce it upon request of a conservation officer, fisheries officer or constable.
- 3. Any specimens surplus to scientific requirements and any species not authorized for collection in this permit shall be immediately and carefully released at the point of capture.
- 4. Fish collected under authority of this permit shall not be used for food or any purpose other than the objectives set out in the approved application for a scientific collection permit. The permit holder shall not sell, barter, trade, or give away, or offer to sell, barter, trade or give away fish collected under authority of this permit. Dead fish shall be disposed of in a manner that will not constitute a health hazard, nuisance or a threat to wildlife.
- 5. No fish collected under authority of this permit shall be
  - transported alive unless authorized by this permit, or
  - transplanted unless separately authorized by the Federal/Provincial Fish Transplant Committee.
- 6. The permit holder shall, within 90 days of the expiry of this permit, submit a report of fish collection activities. Interim reports may also be required and shall be submitted as required by the permit issuer. All submissions must be filed electronically to: <a href="http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fish\_data\_sub/index.html">http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fish\_data\_sub/index.html</a>

Reporting specifications, information and templates are available from this website and outline the mandatory information requirements. Prior notification of submission or questions regarding data report standards can be made to: <a href="mailto:fishdatasub@gov.bc.ca">fishdatasub@gov.bc.ca</a>

- 7. This collecting permit is subject to cancellation at any time and shall be surrendered to a conservation officer on demand or to the issuer upon written notice of its cancellation.
- 8. This permit is valid only for the activities approved on the application form and in accordance with any restrictions set out therein.
- 9. This permit is valid only for trained, qualified staff named in the Application. The permit holder will comply with all Worker's Compensation Board requirements and other regulatory requirements. Permit holders are responsible for ensuring staff members listed on the permit are properly certified for specific sampling methods or activities (e.g. electroshocking).
- 10. Any workers not listed on the permit must be supervised by the permit holder or one of the additional persons as named on the permit.

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# **Appendix A: Fish Collection Permit Conditions Continued**

- 11. All sampling equipment that has been previously used outside of B.C. must be cleaned of mud and dirt and disinfected with 100mg/L chlorine bleach before using in any water course to prevent the spread of fish pathogens (e.g. Whirling disease) and / or invasive plant species. Any washed off dirt or mud must be disposed of in a manner such that it cannot enter a watercourse untreated.
- 12. No electrofishing is to take place in waters below five degrees C.
- 13. Electrofishing may not be conducted in the vicinity of spawning gravel, redds, or spawning fish, or around gravels which are capable of supporting eggs or developing embryos of any species of salmonid at a time of year when such eggs or embryos may be present.
- 14. Angling must only occur in accordance with the regulations specified in the current BC Freshwater Fishing Regulations Synopsis.

#### **Region Specific Conditions**

#### **Peace Region**

- 1. The permit holder must advise Region 7B (Peace) of sampling activities 48 hrs prior to field operations. Please complete the following notification form:
- 2. <a href="http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/pasb/reports/fish/permit">http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/pasb/reports/fish/permit</a> notify7b.html
- 3. Voucher specimens for all regionally significant red and blue-listed species (3 per species) must be submitted to the Regional Fish Information Specialists as per RISC standards.
- 4. Variance allowing electrofishing between September 15 and June 15 in streams containing bull trout within the Moberly River
- 5. All sampling gear follow Association of Professional Biologists' advisory practice bulletin #5. Practice Advisory Didymo, see: <a href="https://www.professionalbiology.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/Didymo.pdf">https://www.professionalbiology.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/Didymo.pdf</a>
- 6. Annual Reports on fish collection activates are to be summited to Ministry of Forest, Land and Natural Resource Operations 90 days after the sampling period ends



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# Appendix B: Table 1 - Species at Risk

The following are species at risk that have been listed by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) as either endangered, threatened or a species of special concern. Species also listed under the Species at Risk Act (SARA) are identified with an asterisk, and are subject to additional permitting requirements through the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO).

Common Name	Scientific Name			
Benthic Paxton Lake Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.			
Benthic Vananda Creek Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.			
Limnetic Paxton Lake Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.			
Limnetic Vananda Creek Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.			
Nooksack Dace	*Rhinichthys sp.			
Morrison Creek Lamprey	*Lampetra richardsoni			
Vancouver Lamprey (Cowichan Lake Lamprey)	*Lampetra macrostoma			
Cultus Pygmy Sculpin	*Cottus sp.			
Shorthead Sculpin	*Cottus confusus			
Hotwater Physa	*Physella wrighti			
Limnetic Enos Lake Stickleback	Gasterosteus sp.			
Benthic Enos Lake Stickleback	Gasterosteus sp.			
Salish Sucker	Catostomus sp.			
Speckled Dace	Rhinichthys osculus			
Charlotte Unarmoured Stickleback	Gasterosteus aculeatus			
Columbia Mottled Sculpin	Cottus bairdi hubbsi			
Giant Stickleback	Gasterosteus sp.			
Green Sturgeon	Acipenser medirostris			
Umatilla Dace	Rhinichthys umatilla			
West Slope Cutthroat Trout	*Oncorhynchus clarki lewisi			
White Sturgeon	Acipenser transmontanus			

Applications for permits to specifically collect and retain listed species must be reviewed by the appropriate provincial expert, who will screen permits to ensure that any impacts on listed species are acceptable. For white sturgeon the contact is Steve McAdam (<a href="mailto:steve.mcadam@gov.bc.ca">steve.mcadam@gov.bc.ca</a>). For listed non-game freshwater fish the contact is Jordan Rosenfeld (<a href="jordan.rosenfeld@gov.bc.ca">jordan.rosenfeld@gov.bc.ca</a>).



# **Appendix C: Permitted Waterbodies**

MOE Region	Waterbody	Watershed Code	
Peace	Halfway River	235-000000	
Peace	Chowade River	235-430800	
Peace	Cypress Creek	235-492500	
Peace	Needham Creek	235-304300-51900	
Peace	Maurice Creek	230-797200	
Peace	Lynx Creek	230-792800	
Peace	Moberly River	230-744800	
Peace	Farrell Creek	230-786200	
Peace	Graham River	235-304300	
Peace	Colt Creek	235-304300-06300	
Peace	Groundbirch Creek	235-174800-73100	
Peace	Blue Grave Creek	<mark>2</mark> 35-371300	



# **Appendix D: Potential Species**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Code
Bull Trout	Salvelinus confluentus	BT
Arctic Grayling	Thymallus arcticus	AG
Rainbow Trout	Oncorhynchus mykiss	RB
Finescale Dace	Phoxinus neogaeus	FDC
Flathead Chub	Platygobio gracilis	FHC
Lake Chub	Couesius plumbeus	LKC
Longnose Dace	Rhinichthys cataractae	LNC
Redside Shiner	Richardsonius balteatus	RSC
Slimy Sculpin	Cottus cognatus	CCG
Troutperch	Percopsis omiscomaycus	TP
Brook stickleback	Culaea inconstans	BSB
Northern Redbelly Dace	Phoxinus eos	RDC
Peamouth Chub	Mylocheilus caurinus	PCC
Northern Pearl Dace	Margariscus mar <mark>garita</mark>	PDC
Prickly Sculpin	Cottus asper	CAS
Spoonhead Sculpin	Cottus ricei	CRI
Spottail Shi <mark>ner</mark>	Notropis hudsonius	STC STC
Northern Pike	Esox lucius	NP
Kokanee	Oncorhynchus keta	КО
Burbot	Lota lota	BB
Northern Pikeminnow	Ptychocheilus oregonensis NSC	

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# **Appendix E: Permitted Lethal Sampling**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Code	Moberly River	Maurice Creek	Lynx Creek	Total
Artic Grayling	Thymallus arcticus	GR	50			50
Bull Trout	Salvelinus confluentus	ВТ	10	10	10	30
Rainbow Trout	Oncorhynchus mykiss	RB	350			350

