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WILDLIFE ACT

PERMIT FJ17-281129 Amended May 25, 2018

PERMIT HOLDER	BRITISH COLUMBIA HYDRO AND POWER AUTHORITY 6911 SOUTHPOINT DRIVE BURNABY BC V3N 4X8 ATTENTION: SARAH WEISS PHONE: (604) 699-7283
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IS AUTHORIZED UNDER s. 2(c)(iii) of the *Permit Regulation*, B.C. Reg. 253/2000,

TO	Trap or kill Woodchuck (<i>Marmota monax</i>) during the open or closed season as the regional manager considers it necessary for the proper management of the wildlife resource.
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SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

TERMS OF PERMIT	This permit is only valid in Site C Clean Energy Project Activity Zone in the Peace Region The permit holder must comply with the terms in Appendix A.	
COMPLIANCE ADVISORY	Failure to comply with any term of this permit is an offence under the <i>Wildlife Act</i> , and may result in any or all of prosecution, suspension of the permit, cancellation of the permit, ineligibility for future permits, and denial of future permit requests.	
PERIOD OF PERMIT	This permit is only valid from May 11, 2018 to March 31, 2023.	
DATE OF ISSUE	May 25, 2018 THIS PERMIT SUPERSEDES FJ17-281129 ISSUED ON MAY 11, 2018	
 SIGNATURE OF ISSUER	Chris Addison Regional Manager Recreational Fisheries & Wildlife Program Peace Region	PERMIT FEE \$100.00 HCTF SURCHARGE \$10.00

APPENDIX A TERMS OF PERMIT

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REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

1. The permit holder must maintain an accurate up to date record of the wildlife trapped or killed under the permit, which includes the following information:
 - a) the common name of the wildlife;
 - b) the location where the wildlife was taken;
 - c) the date the wildlife was trapped or killed;
 - d) the sex and age class of the wildlife taken;
 - e) the bands or tags on the wildlife;
 - f) a description of all nests, dams or other structures destroyed or removed

NOTE: A blank reporting form (Appendix E) is attached to the end of this permit for your convenience.

2. The permit holder shall submit the copy of record referred to in paragraph 1 to the following First Nations within 21 days after the expiry of the permit or annually if a multiyear permit:
Fort Nelson First Nation – email: reception.lands@fnnation.ca
Doig River First Nation – email: reception@DRFN.ca
3. The permit holder must produce a copy of the record referred to in paragraph 1 on the demand of an officer.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

1. The permit holder must comply with all laws applicable to the activities carried out under this permit.
2. The permit holder must hold either a valid British Columbia trapping licence, or utilize a British Columbia licenced trapper (such as the local registered trapline owner) or a person exempt from the requirement to hold a trapping licence under section 11(9) of the Wildlife Act.
3. The permit holder must take all reasonably necessary steps to ensure that public safety is not jeopardized and fish or wildlife habitat is not damaged by any action taken under authority of this permit.
4. No removal of dens / active burrowing sites from July 31st to May 15th, inclusive, to minimize suffering of target animals. If work requires dens to be removed within this timeframe, they may be removed **ONLY** if all Woodchucks (*M. monax*) using the den have been lawfully, lethally and humanely removed using expert reliance on appropriate equipment and methods pursuant to the Agreement on International Humane Trapping Standards. A Qualified Professional must determine whether a den site is active any time removal is contemplated.
5. The permit holder must ensure that the wildlife are treated in a humane manner, and are not subjected to any unnecessary harm or suffering.
6. Any live trapped wildlife must either be release on site, outside of future development zones, or humanely euthanized. A Qualified Professional must determine the appropriateness of release sites and timing, with respect to life history requirements of Woodchucks (*M. monax*).

APPENDIX B ADVISORY

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GENERAL

- It is the permit holder's responsibility to be aware of all applicable laws and the limits of this permit. For example, this permit does not give the permit holder authority to access or travel through any private land without permission from the landowner.
- The Province is not liable for any illness contracted through wildlife handling. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to inform themselves of possible health hazards, and to ensure that all reasonably necessary safety measures are undertaken.
- If applicable, the permit holder is responsible for renewing his or her own permit. The issuer is not obliged to send a reminder notice.

LEGISLATION

Here are some, but not all, relevant excerpts from the **Wildlife Act**:

Property in Wildlife

2 (3) A person who lawfully kills wildlife and complies with all applicable provisions of this Act and the regulations acquires the right of property in that wildlife.

2 (4) If a person by accident or for the protection of life or property kills wildlife, that wildlife, despite subsection (3), remains the property of the government.

2 (5) Despite anything in this Act, no right of action lies, and no right of compensation exists, against the government for death, personal injury or property damage caused by

- a) wildlife, or
- b) an animal that escapes or is released from captivity or is abandoned

in British Columbia

Hunting and licences

11 (1) A person who hunts wildlife commits an offence unless the person holds all of the following:

- a) a hunting licence issued to the person under this Act;
- b) any limited entry hunting authorization that is required by regulation;
- c) any other licence that is required by regulation;
- d) any other permit that is required by regulation

11 (8) A person commits an offence if the person traps fur bearing animals unless he or she holds a trapping licence.

Trafficking in wildlife

22 A person who traffics live wildlife or wildlife meat, except as authorized by regulation or a permit, commits an offence.

Documents not transferable

81 Except as authorized by regulation or as otherwise provided under this Act, a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization is not transferable, and a person commits an offence if the person

- a) allows his or her licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization to be used by another person, or
- b) uses another person's licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization.

Failure to pay fine

85 (1) This section applies if a person

- (a) fails to pay, within the time required by law, a fine imposed as a result of the person's conviction for an offence under this Act or the *Firearm Act*, and
- (b) has been served with notice of this section.

(2) In the circumstances referred to in subsection (1),

- (a) the person's right to apply for or obtain a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization under this Act is suspended immediately and automatically on the failure to pay the fine,
- (b) all licences, permits and limited entry hunting authorizations issued to that person under this Act are cancelled immediately and automatically on the failure to pay the fine,
 - (b.1) the person must not apply for employment as an assistant guide,
 - (b.2) the person must not guide as an assistant guide, and
- (c) the person commits an offence if, before that fine is paid, the person
 - (i) applies for, or in any way obtains, a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization under this Act,
 - (ii) does anything for which a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization under this Act is required,
 - (iii) applies for employment as an assistant guide, or
 - (iv) guides as an assistant guide.

Production of licence or permit

97 If a person who is required to hold a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization issued under this Act

- a) fails to produce it for inspection to an officer on request, or
- b) fails or refuses to state his or her name and address to an officer on request,

the person commits an offence.

REGULATIONS

This excerpt from the **Permit Regulation**, made under the Wildlife Act, is relevant:

8 A person who holds a permit under the Act or the Permit Regulation commits an offence if he or she fails to comply with a term of the permit.

APPENDIX E RECORD OF WILDLIFE TRAPPED OR KILLED

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- The permit holder **MUST** maintain an accurate up-to-date record.
- The permit holder **MUST** submit the original copy of this report to FrontCounter BC, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development **within 21 days** of the permit's expiry or annually as indicated in "Appendix A – Terms of Permit – Reporting Requirements" of this permit.
- The permit holder **is required to** submit a copy of this report to identified First Nation Communities **within 21 days** of the permit's expiry or annually as indicated in "Appendix A – Terms of Permit – Reporting Requirements" of this permit.
- The permit holder must produce a copy of this record on the demand of an officer.

Common name of wildlife	Location Name and GPS Co-ordinates where wildlife was taken	Date wildlife was trapped or killed	Sex and age class of wildlife	Bands or tags on wildlife	Description of all nests, dams or other structures destroyed or removed – copy of dam Photo with number or name identified

*If more room is required, please use a sheet of blank paper

Signature of Permit Holder

Date

PLEASE SEND COMPLETED REPORT TO FrontCounter BC, 100 – 10003 110 Avenue, Fort St. John, BC V1J 6M or authorizingagency.fortstjohn@gov.bc.ca