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BC Hydro and Power Authority
333 Dunsmuir ST
Vancouver, BC V8B 5R3

Dear BC Hydro and Power Authority,

Use Approval - Short Term Use of Water (File 9000898)

Approval has been granted, and a *Water Sustainability Act* Section 10 Use Approval document that verifies this information is attached. This approval or a copy of it should be kept at the work site so that it may be shown to a Ministry official upon request.

We wish to inform you that the water bodies may serve as spawning and rearing areas for fish. Accordingly, it is necessary for you to screen your water intake to protect against entry of small fish as per the End-of-pipe fish protection screens for small water intakes in freshwater code of practice. Please refer to the Fisheries and Oceans Canada Web-site (<https://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppp/codes/screen-ecran-eng.html>) for this publication.

Section 105 of the *Water Sustainability Act* gives the recipient of this notice the right to appeal my decision. You may file an appeal within 30 days of the date indicated on this letter. Information on filing an appeal can be found on the Environmental Appeal Board WEB site at <http://www.eab.gov.bc.ca/>.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the document issued or this letter please feel free to contact Liia Schilds, Senior Water Authorization Specialist, by email at liia.schilds@gov.bc.ca or by phone at (778) 576-1148.

Sincerely,

Marianne Johnson
Water Manager



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British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, 12th Floor-333 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 5R3 and their agents are hereby authorized to divert and use water as follows:

- a) The source on which the rights are granted is the Pine River.
- b) The points of diversion are located at:
 - Lat: 55.50428 Long: -122.60473
 - Lat: 55.50289 Long: -122.6041
 - Lat: 55.5019 Long: -122.5947
 - Lat: 55.5080 Long: -122.5747
- c) The purposes for which the water may be used are Well Drilling and Transportation or Utility Corridor Management and Miscellaneous Industrial
- d) The combined maximum volume of water that can be diverted under this Approval is 14,040 cubic metres per year. The combined maximum withdrawal is 300 cubic metres per day and the pump rate shall not exceed 0.02 cubic metres per second.
- e) Approval has been granted to use the water from August 1, 2024, to July 31, 2026.
- f) The works authorized are screened intakes, pumps, pipelines or hoses and water trucks.
- g) The holder of this Approval will initiate those sections under the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), as it relates to this project to protect fish and fish habitat, vegetation and ecological communities, wildlife and heritage resources associated with these works.

- h) The intake shall be screened in accordance to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Freshwater Intake End-of-Pipe Fish Screen Guideline and as described in the Construction Environmental Management Plan - Site C Clean Energy Project, June 5, 2015” (CEMP).
- i) The holder of this Use Approval shall take reasonable care to avoid damaging any land, works, trees or other property, and shall make full compensation to the owners for any damage or loss resulting from the exercise of the rights granted with this approval.
- j) A copy of this approval and the water records must be available for inspection, upon request, at any time.
- k) Authorized equipment shall be free of external grease, oil or fluid leaks while operating in the vicinity of any watercourse.
- l) To limit the spread of invasive weeds, all authorized equipment used shall be inspected and weeds shall be removed before leaving the intake site.
- m) This Approval does not authorize any in-stream work.
- n) The Holder of this Approval must ensure that any incidence of high significance of non-conformance to conditions of this Approval are reported to IE or IEM within 24 hours of discovery and the submission of a report within 5 days of that occurrence, in a form and manner acceptable to the Water Manager.

Sincerely,



Marianne Johnson
Water Manager

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Enclosure(s)