CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN

September 14, 2018

Site C Construction Schedule: September 17 – September 30

Dam site area and reservoir - north (left) bank and south (right) bank

- Contractors will continue to mobilize equipment and material to site. This will include deliveries by rail.
- Contractors for various project components are continuing construction and operations in their work areas. This includes the main civil works, generating station and spillways civil works, turbines and generators, and substation.
- Water management activities such as drainage alteration, debris removal, and water pumping may take place.
- Excavation, including in-river excavation, will progress on the north and south banks.
- Construction activities such as drilling, blasting, crushing, earth moving, tunnelling, concrete placement, and road maintenance will continue. Tower cranes will be used on site.

Other work areas

- Site preparation will continue at the 85th Avenue Industrial Lands. Work may begin to construct the conveyor that will connect to the dam site.
- Site investigations and forestry and access road data collection will continue within and adjacent to the reservoir areas.
- Clearing and debris disposal will occur in the lower reservoir and Moberly River area, as permitted by ground conditions and the fire danger rating. Wood waste may be chipped, mulched, spread as coarse woody debris, or hauled off site.
- Maintenance and upgrade work will continue on existing access roads and resource roads that provide access to the transmission line right-of-way and the reservoir. New road construction will continue within the transmission right-of-way.
- Clearing and debris disposal is occurring along the transmission right-of-way and corridor, as permitted by ground conditions and the fire danger rating. Wood waste may be chipped, mulched, spread as coarse woody debris, hauled off site, or burned.
- Material and equipment is being delivered to the transmission line marshalling yard in Moberly Lake.
- Site investigations, including stripping and data recovery of known archeological sites, geotechnical work, and structure staking, may occur along the transmission line right-of-way. As part of ongoing field investigations, helical piles will be installed and tested.
- Upgrades will continue at Peace Canyon Generating Station, including work inside the switchyard building, outdoor site preparation, and foundation and electrical work.
- Site investigations, including geotechnical investigations, drilling, studies, and survey work, will occur for Cache Creek/Bear Flat and the potential boat launch location, Halfway River, Farrell Creek East, Farrell Creek, Dry Creek and Lynx Creek. Some utility poles may be temporarily relocated along Highway 29. Minor brushing and danger tree removal may be required.

- Stripping and investigation of known archeological sites will occur at Cache Creek West in preparation for construction in fall 2018.
- Surveys and visual inspections may occur for the noxious weed program in Site C project areas, including the 85th Avenue Industrial Lands, dam site, transmission line corridor, and Highway 29 realignment areas.
- Aggregate and riprap production will continue in West Pine Quarry, where material will be transported by rail and road to the dam site.
- Wildlife and aquatic mitigation programs will continue and may include surveys, data collection, habitat installations, and habitat enhancements.

What to expect

While this work takes place, local residents can expect the following:

- There will be truck traffic on public roads as the hauling of materials, equipment, rock and timber continues. This may include increased industrial traffic on resource roads and public roads from Chetwynd leading to the dam site on the south bank.
- Highway 29 may be intermittently reduced to single lane alternating traffic in some locations.
- Trucks with heavy or oversized loads will be accessing the dam site. Please use caution when meeting a pilot car and observe all warning signs.
- Some noise and vibration may occur in the vicinity of the dam site and in all other work areas, including the quarries.
- There may be emissions of smoke in various work areas as a result of burning. BC Hydro's contractor will plan and monitor burning carefully and burning will only occur when appropriate venting windows are available and as permitted by the Forest Fire Hazard rating.
- Day, night, and weekend shifts are anticipated for the duration of the project.
- For boater and worker safety, boats will need to stay clear of active in-river work areas along the Peace and Moberly rivers. These areas are clearly identified with signage and markings.
- Helicopters and commercial drones may be used to support investigative and construction works.

Note: In BC Hydro's technical documents, the north bank may be referred to as the left bank and the south bank may be referred to as the right bank.