

Site C Construction Schedule: April 18 – May 1, 2020



The Moberly River debris structure will catch debris coming down the river before it arrives at the dam site. See more project photos in the [image gallery](#).

COVID-19 update

- BC Hydro has not been notified of any confirmed cases of COVID-19 at Site C.
- We are implementing [new guidelines](#) from the Ministry of Health on vehicle occupancy.
- Workers from Peace River Hydro Partners affiliated with the CLAC union have transitioned to shifts lasting six to eight weeks instead of two weeks. This decreases the movement of people to and from the region.
- Our top priority will always be the safety of our employees, workers and members of the public.
- For updates on COVID-19 and the Site C project, please visit our [website](#).

News and highlights

- Burning and clearing activities are complete for the season, in accordance with the province-wide ban on open burning which came into effect on April 15.
- To deter waterfowl from nesting in Highway 29 construction areas, [bird deterrents are being installed](#) at two locations on the Peace River near Lynx Creek.
- The [Site C employment figures](#) for February 2020 have been released.
- The [Northern Development Initiative Trust](#) announced that nine Peace Region agricultural projects will receive approximately \$190,000 in funding through the BC Hydro Peace Agricultural Compensation Fund.
- BC Hydro has submitted a [Notice of Work](#) under the Canadian Navigable Waters Act (Registry # 1169) for the construction of two temporary access bridges across the Moberly River. The bridges would be required to complete construction of the temporary debris boom.

Dam site area – north bank and south bank

- Work has been scaled back in response to the escalation of the COVID-19 pandemic. All work fronts are being monitored and maintained to meet environmental and regulatory commitments.
- Activities required to achieve river diversion will continue.

River diversion and navigational changes

- Construction continues on the shores of the Peace River for a debris boom upstream of the dam site. Another debris boom is being built by the main civil works contractor closer to the dam site. Work is anticipated to continue through June.
- Piles have been installed as part of a debris management system being built on the Moberly River, upstream of the dam site. The area is closed to boaters.
- The [Peace River will be diverted](#) from fall 2020 until the completion of the project in 2024. This section of the Peace River will be permanently closed to boaters.

Highway 29

- To deter waterfowl from nesting in Highway 29 construction areas, [bird deterrents are being installed](#) at two locations on the Peace River near Lynx Creek.
- [Construction is continuing](#) on the Cache Creek East embankment.
- Rock hauling may occur from the Portage Mountain Quarry and the West Pine Quarry to the gravel causeway.
- Construction of a bridge at [Halfway River](#) continues. This includes operation of a concrete batch plant, aggregate plant, aggregate pit development installation of bridge piles, excavation at east and west bridge abutments, construction of bridge pier rebar and formwork, and hauling and stockpiling of materials.
- [Lynx Creek East](#) embankment construction continues, with the contractor based at Dry Creek. This includes clearing, vegetation removal, and excavation, hauling and stockpiling of aggregates.
- Lynx Creek East in-river construction works will continue with construction of gravel causeways in the Peace River and the excavation, aggregate hauling, and removal of waste wood on Dry Island and Gates Island. Boaters are advised to stay clear of the construction areas.
- [Visit our website](#) for more Highway 29 schedules, maps and construction updates.

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Reservoir area

- Forestry and access road data collection and site investigations continue in the middle and western portions of the reservoir.

Transmission works

- Transmission line construction will continue as road access allows. This includes excavation work, road construction and micropile foundation testing and installation. Maintenance work continues on roads that provide access to the transmission corridor.

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- No activity at this time.

Other areas

- Work is occurring at Portage Mountain. This involves clearing snow, loading rip rap and work near Canyon Drive at 400 Road.
- Riprap hauling continues between Portage Mountain Quarry and Lynx Creek, and between [West Pine Quarry and Halfway River](#).
- Aggregate and riprap production will continue in West Pine Quarry and Portage Mountain Quarry.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Work will take place during the day, night, and on the weekend, until the project is completed. During this time, residents can expect:

Traffic – please use caution and obey safety signage

- **Old Fort Road**
 - Near Gate A to the dam site, drivers may encounter loose gravel and increased commercial traffic.
 - Due to equipment delivery, there may be occasional short road closures along Old Fort Road from Tahltan Road to Gate B.
- **Highway 29:** Construction-related equipment will travel along Highway 29 and Highway 97. Learn more at drivebc.ca.
- **Other areas:** Trucks with heavy loads will be accessing the dam site and other project areas, using public and resource roads.

Equipment

- Heavy machinery will be in the transmission line corridor. Please stay clear of the work areas.
- Helicopters and commercial drones may be used to support investigative and construction works.

Noise and vibration

- Some noise and vibration may occur near the dam site and work areas, including the quarries.

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