CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN

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Power smart

🗘 BC Hydro



The flexible coupling is suspended on cranes and rotated in the air to a vertical position. <u>See more construction photos in our gallery.</u>

Site C Construction Schedule: February 24 to March 8, 2024

News and highlights

- We're studying bull trout in the Halfway River Watershed, some of which travel hundreds of kilometres to the Peace River. Watch a video to learn how we monitor this fish species. <u>Watch now.</u>
- We have agricultural lease opportunities in the Peace Region. <u>Visit our website</u> to view available listings. Applications close February 29.

Dam site

- Placement of riprap in the approach channel is complete.
- Construction of the powerhouse and intakes continues, including concrete placement and penstocks flexible coupling installation.
- Installation and commissioning of the spillway gates and intake gates is underway.
- Placement of riprap on the dam, construction of permanent dam access roads, and installation of duct banks for dam access road lighting continues.
- Work will continue in the right bank drainage tunnel, left bank drainage adit, and dam buttress galleries.
- Processing of riprap at West Pine Quarry and hauling riprap by train and trucks to the dam site will continue. Blasting will not occur at West Pine Quarry until the blasting restriction for caribou is over in the spring.

• Crews are covering exposed potentially acid-generating (PAG) rock on the left bank.

Powerhouse

- Installation of cable tray, electrical cables, and equipment in the powerhouse is underway. Crews are installing the isolated-phase bus and 500-kilovolt line termination equipment to receive the new 500-kilovolt transmission lines.
- The mechanical contractor continues to install water and air piping in the powerhouse.
- Installation and assembly of turbine and generator components including rotors continues.
- Turbine and generator components and materials continue to be delivered to site, and some to storage, for future installation.

Reservoir area

• Removal or demolition of infrastructure within the future reservoir on BC Hydro-owned land will continue near Farrell Creek and Lynx Creek. Equipment will mobilize to site and work may be visible from Highway 29. Field investigations may take place.

Traffic delays

- Old Fort Road: Near Gate B 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.
- Trucks with heavy loads will be accessing the dam site and other project areas, using public and resource roads. There may be occasional minor delays.
- Riprap may be delivered by trucks to the dam site along Highway 97, Jackfish Lake Road and petroleum development roads to Gate C, on the south bank of the dam site.

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