



Navigation Protection Program
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Attention: Karen von Muehldorfer

RE: Notice to the Minister\permission to proceed under the *Navigation Protection Act* for the Bridge, located at 56°11'29.98"N x 120°53'52.33"W, Peace River, Site C Dam, located on unsurveyed foreshore or land covered by water being part of the bed of Peace River, Site C fronting Sec 14, TP 83, Rge 19, West of the 6th Meridian Peace River District, City of Fort St. John, in the Province of British Columbia

The Minister of Transport has determined that your work is not likely to substantially interfere with navigation.

Therefore, your work is permitted under the NPA s.9(1) Construction, and you may proceed pursuant to the attached two (2) plans in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

1. The NPA Approval and its Terms and Conditions shall be posted at an easily accessible place at the worksite and provide to the contractor conducting the work. A copy shall also be posted or available at the boat operators' shelter.
2. In the event that the operation of the above works is terminated, it will be the proponent's responsibility to remove the works and associated equipment in its entirety including any anchors and pilings.
3. If vessel traffic is not blocked by booms, buoys or a patrol/escort boat is in use the following conditions apply:
4. Maintain the warning signs that were installed as part of the original approval (September 28th, 2015) at locations approx. 100m upstream and downstream (exempt from warning signage if warning signs from other associated works are in place within 500m of site of bridge construction) of the construction site advising of the work in progress. Signs shall be a minimum of 72"x 48", a white background with black lettering, with text as outlined below. Sign to be emplaced prior to and for the duration of construction.

**WARNING CONSTRUCTION
HAZARDS AHEAD**

5. During construction the outermost extent of the work above the surface shall be marked with orange Hi-visibility markers on the upstream and downstream corners.
6. During Construction the outermost extent of the work above the surface shall be marked with a flashing yellow light on the upstream and downstream corners. The lights are to be in operation in darkness or limited visibility.
7. Construction machinery left in the water during darkness or limited visibility shall be marked with a flashing yellow light, visible to upstream and downstream traffic.
8. Any construction equipment anchored or left in or on the waterway shall be marked with a yellow flashing light placed on the outermost extremity if left overnight.
9. A navigation channel span shall be marked on the bridge using Daymarks upstream and downstream.
10. A navigation channel span shall be marked on the bridge using a fixed white light facing upstream and downstream and operating during times of darkness and limited visibility.
11. The marked navigation channel shall be inspected monthly to ensure that the channel is not hindered by shoaling or debris.
12. The proponent shall move the marked navigation channel if it becomes blocked or unsafe to use. The proponent shall use the Boater Communication Protocol and post notice at the Peace Island Park boat launch of the change at the same time the channel markers are moved.
13. A safe navigation channel shall be maintained during construction. Changes to the location of the channel due to construction will be communicated 5 days in advance using the Boater Communication Protocol and post notice at the Peace Island Park boat launch.

This permission relates only to the effect of your work on navigation under the NPA and does not grant any rights related to the ownership of the bed of the waterway.

It is the owner's responsibility to comply with any other applicable laws and regulations.

Please note that the NPA, amongst other obligations, requires the owner to immediately notify the Minister if his work causes or is likely to cause serious or imminent danger to navigation and take reasonable measures to remediate the danger to navigation (section 12 of the NPA).

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office in Vancouver by phone at (604) 775-8867, by fax at (604) 775-8828 or by e-mail at NPPAC-PPNPAC@tc.gc.ca.

Respectfully,



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Attachment(s) Approved Drawings

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