



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° 14' 10.94" N x 121° 23' 24.19" W, Peace River, located on unsurveyed foreshore or land covered by water being part of the bed of Peace River, Peace River Causeway Bridge, fronting Section. 34 Twp 83, Range 22, 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 plan(s) 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.
2. 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.
3. During the open water season. The bridge span shall be marked using a flashing yellow light visible upstream and downstream and operating during times of darkness and limited visibility.
4. The owner shall provide information about the bridge location and clearance using the Boater Communications Protocol, and post the information on the owner website, on a page related to the project
5. 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.
6. Install and maintain warning signs at locations approx. 100m upstream and downstream 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

7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.

Pursuant to Sec. 34 of the Navigable Protection Act, the owner shall provide unimpeded access to the Minister or their representatives for inspection purposes.

Pursuant to Sec. 5 of the Navigable Waters Works Regulations, all temporary piles, false works, silt curtains, construction material or debris, etc. are to be completely removed from the waterway.

Proponent can use the Canadian Dam Association signage standards in regards to shape, colour and size. Locations and wording are to be as per the Term and Conditions of the permit or approval

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 or by e-mail at NPPAC-PPNPAC@tc.gc.ca.

Respectfully,



Colin Parkinson
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Attachment(s) – Reviewed Drawings

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