


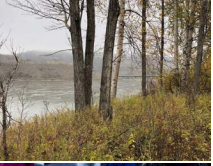






Site C: Indigenous Traditional Use Fund




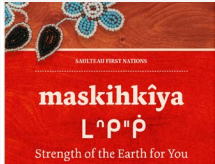
BC Hydro has established the Indigenous Traditional Use Fund (ITUF) to mitigate the impacts of the Site C project, and help preserve land and resources for traditional use. Thirteen Indigenous Nations impacted by Site C are eligible to access \$13 million¹ in funding and participate in the process for determining how these funds are used in partnership with BC Hydro.

ALL PROJECTS WERE DEVELOPED, SCOPED AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE FOLLOWING INDIGENOUS NATIONS

Lead	Project	Location	Photo
Blueberry River First Nations	Blueberry River First Nations Dane-zaa History Video Project	Blueberry River First Nations' Traditional Territory	
Dene Tha' First Nation	Dene Tha' First Nation Land Use and Resource Value Identification, Assessment and Mapping Project	Overlap of ITUF Program Area and DTFN's Traditional Territory	
Doig River First Nation	Chuu Ghadaah—Water is Alive	Doig River Watershed	
Duncan's First Nation	Duncan's First Nation Peace River Cultural Site Establishment Project	Banks of the Peace River between the B.C./AB border and Many Islands, AB.	
Fort Nelson First Nation	Guats'edeh'tsi/Asahketowin—Sharing our Knowledge	Treaty 8 Territory	
Halfway River First Nation	Site C Reservoir Ungulate Crossing Study and Habitat Enhancement	Peace River between Site C Dam and reservoir area	
Horse Lake First Nation	Horse Lake First Nation Cultural Camp Project	South of Tumbler Ridge	
Kelly Lake Métis Settlement Society	Medicinal Plant Harvest	Peace River Valley	

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¹ The total amount of the fund is \$15 million, of which \$2 million has been allocated to the initiatives and activities of the Culture and Heritage Resources Committee (CHRC) which includes members from the 13 Indigenous Nations impacted by Site C.

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McLeod Lake Indian Band	Culture and Monitor Awareness Camp	Pine River Watershed	
Métis Nation BC	Indigenous Community Meeting Centre	Hudson's Hope	
Prophet River First Nation	Prophet River First Nation Geospatial Heritage Database Pilot Project	Prophet River First Nation Traditional Territory	
Saulteau First Nations	Saulteau First Nations Ethnobotany Book & Website	Saulteau First Nations Traditional Territory	

ITUF objectives

- Mitigate the impacts of the Site C project on the current use of land and resources for traditional purposes
- Address traditional use concerns not covered by existing Site C mitigation and monitoring programs and conditions
- Build capacity and foster collaboration with the 13 Indigenous Nations impacted by Site C through program development, governance, and project implementation
- Create meaningful space for traditional ecological knowledge and western science in the implementation of programs and projects
- Develop projects aligned with shared values that result in trusted data, accessible information, and meaningful outcomes

Quick facts:

- \$13M Fund¹
- ITUF program area covers 50,000km²
- The 13 Indigenous Nations identified in the Environmental Assessment Certificate and Federal Decision Statement are eligible for ITUF funding
- The details and approach to ITUF were collaboratively developed by the Site C Environmental Forum and the participating Indigenous Nations
- Year 1: Each Indigenous Nation is eligible for \$50K for project implementation
- Years 2–4: Each Indigenous Nation is eligible for \$150,000/year for project implementation
- \$1.5 million in funding has been allocated to Multi-Nation projects

Still have questions?

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