

FISH COLLECTION PERMIT

Inventory Amended June 6, 2018

File: 34770-20

ATS Project: 270916 Permit No.: FJ18-290315

Permit Holder: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority - Michael McArthur

333 Dunsmuir Street Vancouver, BC V6B 5R4

Authorized Persons: Michael McArthur, Dustin Ford, Demitria Burgoon, James Chircoski, Todd Sherstone, Leah Hull, Geraldine Davis, Matthew Thornton, Kevin Little, Chris King, Geoff Sawatzky, Jack Yurko, Karissa Jackson, Kent Nuspl, Olin Twitchell, Davin Swift, Carl Steenbergen, Natasha Audy, Brent Mossop and Dave Hunter.

Pursuant to section 19 of the *Wildlife Act*, RSBC 1996, Chap. 488, and section 18 of the Angling and Scientific Regulations, BC Reg. 125/90, the above named persons are hereby authorized to collect fish for scientific purposes from non-tidal waters subject to the conditions set forth in this Permit:

Permitted Sampling Period: July 1, 2018 to November 15, 2018

Permitted Waterbodies: Peace Region - Peace River (230)

Permitted Sampling Techniques: EF, MT, SN (subject to permit terms and conditions)

Potential Species: See Appendix C (subject to permit terms and conditions)

Permitted Lethal Sampling: See Appendix D (subject to permit terms and conditions)

<u>Provincial Conditions:</u> Appendix A (Permit holders must be aware of all terms and conditions):

See Appendix A.

Region Specific Conditions:

• Variance approved for Regional Condition #4: Electrofishing will be permitted between September 15, 2018 and November 15, 2018
See Appendix A.

Authorized by:

Chris Addison Regional Manager

Recreational Fisheries & Wildlife Programs

Peace Region

Date: May 31, 2018

This permit supersedes FJ18-290315 issued May 31, 2018

Permit Fee \$25

Any contravention or failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit is an offense under the *Wildlife Act*, RSBC 1996, Chap. 488 and B.C. Reg. 125/90.

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Appendix A: Fish Collection Permit Conditions

Any Variation of the following terms and conditions will require explicit authorization by the appropriate regional Fish & Wildlife Section Head.

Provincial Conditions

- 1. This collecting permit is not valid
 - in national parks,
 - in provincial parks unless a Park Use Permit is also obtained,
 - in tidal waters,
 - for eulachon or for salmon* other than kokanee, or
 - for collecting fish by angling unless the permit holder and crew members possess a valid angling licence.

This collecting permit is only valid for species listed as threatened, endangered or extirpated under the Species at Risk Act (SARA) in conjunction with a permit issued under Section 73 of SARA from Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

*Contact the Department of Fisheries and Oceans for fish collecting permits for salmon, eulachon or SARA listed species (see Appendix B).

- 2. The permit holder (or the project supervisor) named on the application for a scientific collection permit will carry a copy of this permit while engaged in fish collecting and produce it upon request of a conservation officer, fisheries officer or constable.
- 3. Any specimens surplus to scientific requirements and any species not authorized for collection in this permit shall be immediately and carefully released at the point of capture.
- 4. Fish collected under authority of this permit shall not be used for food or any purpose other than the objectives set out in the approved application for a scientific collection permit. The permit holder shall not sell, barter, trade, or give away, or offer to sell, barter, trade or give away fish collected under authority of this permit. Dead fish shall be disposed of in a manner that will not constitute a health hazard, nuisance or a threat to wildlife.
- 5. No fish collected under authority of this permit shall be
 - transported alive unless authorized by this permit, or
 - transplanted unless separately authorized by the Federal/Provincial Fish Transplant Committee.
- 6. The permit holder shall, within 90 days of the expiry of this permit, submit a report of fish collection activities. Interim reports may also be required and shall be submitted as required by the permit issuer. All submissions must be filed electronically to: http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fish_data_sub/index.html

Reporting specifications, information and templates are available from this website and outline the mandatory information requirements. Prior notification of submission or questions regarding data report standards can be made to: fishdatasub@gov.bc.ca

- 7. This collecting permit is subject to cancellation at any time and shall be surrendered to a conservation officer on demand or to the issuer upon written notice of its cancellation.
- 8. This permit is valid only for the activities approved on the application form and in accordance with any restrictions set out therein.
- 9. This permit is valid only for trained, qualified staff named in the Application. The permit holder will comply with all Worker's Compensation Board requirements and other regulatory requirements. Permit holders are responsible for ensuring staff members listed on the permit are properly certified for specific sampling methods or activities (e.g. electroshocking).
- 10. Any workers not listed on the permit must be supervised by the permit holder or one of the additional persons as named on the permit.

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Appendix A: Fish Collection Permit Conditions Continued

- 11. All sampling equipment that has been previously used outside of B.C. must be cleaned of mud and dirt and disinfected with 100mg/L chlorine bleach before using in any water course to prevent the spread of fish pathogens (e.g. Whirling disease) and / or invasive plant species. Any washed off dirt or mud must be disposed of in a manner such that it cannot enter a watercourse untreated.
- 12. No electrofishing is to take place in waters below five degrees C.
- 13. Electrofishing may not be conducted in the vicinity of spawning gravel, redds, or spawning fish, or around gravels which are capable of supporting eggs or developing embryos of any species of salmonid at a time of year when such eggs or embryos may be present.
- 14. Angling must only occur in accordance with the regulations specified in the current BC Freshwater Fishing Regulations Synopsis.

Region Specific Conditions

Peace Region

- 1. The permit holder must advise Region 7B (Peace) of sampling activities 48 hrs prior to field operations. Please complete the following notification form:
- 2. http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/pasb/reports/fish/permit notify7b.html
- 3. Voucher specimens for all regionally significant red and blue-listed species (3 per species) must be submitted to the Regional Fish Information Specialists as per RISC standards.
- 4. Electrofishing will be permitted between September 15, 2018 and November 15, 2018
- 5. All sampling gear follow Association of Professional Biologists' advisory practice bulletin #5. Practice Advisory Didymo, see: https://www.professionalbiology.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/Didymo.pdf
- 6. Annual Reports on fish collection activates are to be summitted to Ministry of Forest, Land and Natural Resource Operations 90 days after the sampling period ends



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Appendix B: Table 1 - Species at Risk

The following are species at risk that have been listed by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) as either endangered, threatened or a species of special concern. Species also listed under the Species at Risk Act (SARA) are identified with an asterisk, and are subject to additional permitting requirements through the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO).

Common Name	Scientific Name		
Benthic Paxton Lake Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.		
Benthic Vananda Creek Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.		
Limnetic Paxton Lake Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.		
Limnetic Vananda Creek Stickleback	*Gasterosteus sp.		
Nooksack Dace	*Rhinichthys sp.		
Morrison Creek Lamprey	*Lampetra richardsoni		
Vancouver Lamprey (Cowichan Lake Lamprey)	*Lampetra macrostoma		
Cultus Pygmy Sculpin	*Cottus sp.		
Shorthead Sculpin	*Cottus confusus		
Hotwater Physa	* <mark>Physella wri</mark> ghti		
Limnetic Enos Lake Stickleback	Gasterosteus sp.		
Benthic Enos Lake Stickleback	Gasterosteus sp.		
Salish Sucker	Catostomus sp.		
Speckled Dace	Rhinichthys osculus		
Charlotte Unarmoured Stickleback	Gasterosteus aculeatus		
Columbia Mottled Sculpin	Cottus bairdi hubbsi		
Giant Stickleback	Gasterosteus sp.		
Green Sturgeon	Acipenser medirostris		
Umatilla Dace	Rhinichthys umatilla		
West Slope Cutthroat Trout	*Oncorhynchus clarki lewisi		
White Sturgeon	Acipenser transmontanus		

Applications for permits to specifically collect and retain listed species must be reviewed by the appropriate provincial expert, who will screen permits to ensure that any impacts on listed species are acceptable. For white sturgeon the contact is Steve McAdam (<u>steve.mcadam@gov.bc.ca</u>). For listed non-game freshwater fish the contact is Jordan Rosenfeld (<u>jordan.rosenfeld@gov.bc.ca</u>).



Appendix C: Potential Species

Common Name	Scientific Name	Coder
Bull Trout	Salvelinus confluentus	BT
Arctic Grayling	Thymallus arcticus	AG
Rainbow Trout	Oncorhynchus mykiss	RB
Burbot	Lota lota	BB
Walleye	Sander vitreus	WP
Goldeye	Hiodon alosoides	GE
Mountain Whitefish	Prosopium willimasoni	MW
Longnose Sucker	Catostomus catostomus	LSU
Largescale Sucker	Catostomus marchocheilus	CSU
White Sucker	Catostomus commersoni	WSU



Appendix D: Permitted Lethal Sampling

Common Name	Scientific Name	Code	Peace River	Total
Artic Grayling	Thymallus arcticus	GR	14	14
Bull Trout	Salvelinus confluentus	ВТ	14	14
Rainbow Trout	Oncorhynchus mykiss	RB	14	14
Burbot	Lota lota	BB	14	14
Walleye	Sander vitreus	WP	14	14
Goldeye	Hiodon alosoides	GE	14	14
Mountain Whitefish	Prosopium willimasoni	MW	14	14
Longnose Sucker	Catostomus catostomus	LSU	14	14
Largescale Sucker	Catostomus marchocheilus	CSU	14	14
White Sucker	Catostomus commersoni	WSU	14	14

