SITE C PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

TRANSMISSION WORKS

Transmission works include the construction of two new 75-kilometre, 500-kilovolt transmission lines along an existing right-of-way between the Site C project and the Peace Canyon generating station.

A new Site C substation has been built adjacent to the Site C powerhouse. Three new one-kilometre, 500-kilovolt transmission lines will connect the Site C generating station to the new substation.

The Peace Canyon 500-kilovolt gas-insulated switchgear was expanded to incorporate the new transmission lines and connect Site C to our transmission system.

Site C project transmission works included:

- Surveying and staking for towers.
- Construction/upgrading of existing access roads to the right-of-way.
- Right-of-way preparation, clearing, and restoration.
- Transmission line construction, including foundation installation, tower assembly, and conductor stringing.
- Peace Canyon 500-kilovolt switchyard expansion.
- Site C substation construction.

Timeline

- Expansion of Peace Canyon switchyard: Completed in 2019
- Construction of Site C Substation: Completed in 2020
- Construction of 500-kilovolt transmission lines from Peace Canyon to Site C: Completed in 2022
- Construction of 500-kilovolt transmission lines from Site C substation to Site C generating station: June 2022 – September 2023

Transmission corridor

The new 500-kilovolt transmission lines have been built on an existing transmission right-of-way to the south of the Peace River between the Peace Canyon generating station and the Site C project area. A portion of this right-of-way had previously been occupied by two 138-kilovolt lines, serving Fort St. John and Taylor.

The first 500-kilovolt transmission line was built along the unoccupied north side of the right-of-way alongside the existing 138-kilovolt lines, which have been re-connected to the Site C substation, and the remaining portions of the lines have been removed between Peace Canyon and Site C. This created room



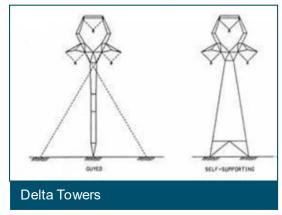
to safely install the second 500-kilovolt transmission line. The continual supply of electricity to the communities will be maintained.

The Site C project's 500-kilovolt transmission lines will become part of our overall transmission system and undergo the same type of operation and maintenance activities as other transmission lines throughout B.C.

Design progression

Delta-type towers were selected for most of the new 500kilovolt transmission lines, as shown in the figure to the right, with flat type towers installed at each end of the line to incorporate a shield wire.

Taking advantage of the delta towers' narrower space requirements, the transmission line design shifted the alignment within the existing right-of-way to allow construction of the majority of the foundations for both 500-kilovolt lines while the existing 138-kilovolt lines remained energized. This reduced the construction duration and the overall transmission line footprint.



Site C and Peace Canyon substations



A new Site C substation has been built near the Site C dam on the south side of the Peace River. The substation connects the dam site to the new 500-kilovolt transmission lines and the supply to Fort St. John and Taylor.

The existing 500-kilovolt switchyard at Peace Canyon was expanded to facilitate the interconnection of the Site C generating station to our transmission system.