# WILDLIFE ACT
## PERMIT FJ16-226024

| PERMIT HOLDER | BC HYDRO POWER AND AUTHORITY  
600-1055 DUNSMUIR STREET  
VANCOUVER BC  V7X 1V5 |
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**IS AUTHORIZED UNDER**  
s. 2 (c)(i), 2(j), 2(m) and 2 (o) of the Permit Regulation, B.C. Reg. 253/2000,

| TO | Live capture, temporarily possess, transport and release of **Western Toad** (Anaxyrus boreas), **Long-toed Salamander** (Ambystoma macrodactylum), **Wood Frog** (Lithobates sylvatica), **Boreal Chorus Frog** (Pseudacris maculata), **Columbia Spotted Frog** (Rana luteiventris), **Common Garter Snake** (Thamnophis), **Red-sided subspecies** (Thamnophis sirtalis parietalis) and the **Terrestrial Gartersnake** (Thamnophis elegans) in the Peace region for salvage purposes in conjunction with BC Hydro’s Site C project. |

**SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:**

| TERMS OF PERMIT | The permit holder must follow the attached British Columbia **Interim Hygiene Protocols for Amphibian field staff and researchers**.  
The permit holder must comply with the terms in Appendix A. |

| COMPLIANCE ADVISORY | Failure to comply with any term of this permit is an offence under the **Wildlife Act**, and may result in any or all of prosecution, suspension of the permit, cancellation of the permit, ineligibility for future permits, and denial of future permit requests.  
- The intent of this permit is to maintain abundance and diversity of amphibian populations during construction activities and beyond.  
- The regional manager and relevant officers retain s.25 authority under the **Wildlife Act**.  
- The QEP and proponent should assess local knowledge and scientific expertise as to the feasibility of compensating for small wetlands not already considered under the CEMP.  
- The QEP is strongly encouraged to access local and traditional aboriginal knowledge where feasible to inform decision-making about release sites and methodology. |

| PERIOD OF PERMIT | This permit is only valid from June 30, 2016 to December 31, 2023 |
| DATE OF ISSUE | June 30, 2016 |

**SIGNATURE OF ISSUER**

[Signature]

Chris Addison  
Regional Manager  
Recreational Fisheries & Wildlife Programs  
Peace Region

**PERMIT FEE**  
$700.00  
HCTF SURCHARGE  
$70.00
APPENDIX A
TERMS OF PERMIT

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REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

1. The permit holder must maintain an accurate up to date record of the wildlife hunted, trapped or killed under the permit that includes the following information:
   a) common name of the wildlife;
   b) location* where the wildlife was taken,
   c) the date the wildlife was hunted, trapped or killed;
   d) the sex and age class of the wildlife taken;
   e) the bands or tags on the wildlife; and
   f) a description of all nests, dams or other structures destroyed or removed.

   *includes a UTM grid location in NAD83 to + or – 100m accuracy (zone 2 digits, easting 6 digits, northing 7 digits)

   NOTE: A blank reporting form (Appendix C) is attached to the end of this permit for your convenience

2. Must forecast annual activities in a workplan prior to commencing work each season, and report annually post-season on salvage activities.

ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

1. The permit holder must within 90 days of the expiry of this permit submit data and a written report of activities related to this permit. The data and written report must be submitted on-line to http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/wildlife/wsi/contributions.htm.

   This website contains the data templates, report specifications and describes which data is mandatory to submit. Interim reports may also be required and must be submitted as required by Regional Biologists.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

1. The permit holder must comply with all laws applicable to the activities carried out under this permit.

2. This permit extends to the permit holder’s employees or contractors only when they are engaged in the direct performance of their duties on behalf of the permit holder.

3. All work is to be undertaken by trained professionals with experience in capturing and handling amphibians

4. The permit holder must take all reasonably necessary steps to ensure that public safety is not jeopardized and fish or wildlife habitat is not damaged by any action taken under authority of this permit.

5. Capture and handling of specimens to be in accordance with the Standards for Live Animal Capture and Handling Guidelines established by the Ministry of Environment.

   See http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hts/risc/pubs/tebiodiv/capt/index.htm
6. The permit holder must ensure that the wildlife are treated in a humane manner, and are not subjected to any unnecessary harm or suffering.

7. No intentional mortality of red or blue listed species is to occur. All reasonable steps must be taken to ensure accidental mortality does not occur.

8. All other small mammals and other organisms captured should be released unharmed.

9. If working in potential Pacific Water Shrew habitat, works must be consistent with the most current Draft Best Management Practices for Pacific Water Shrew in Urban and Rural Areas, September 2010, by Craig, Vennesland and Welstead. It is the responsibility of the contractor/permit holder to obtain the most current version.

10. Permit holder shall provide upon conclusion of this years project, a copy of the final report, to the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations – Fort St. John.

11. The proponent is to design and implement a monitoring program to assess survival rates of amphibians at release sites.

12. The proponent must adhere to the CEMP and the Animal Care Certificate.

13. A Qualified Environmental Professional must be used for all aspects of amphibian salvage and relocation.
APPENDIX B
ADVISORY

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GENERAL

- It is the permit holder’s responsibility to be aware of all applicable laws and the limits of this permit. For example, this permit does not give the permit holder authority to access or travel though any private land without permission from the landowner.

- The Province is not liable for any illness contracted through wildlife handling. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to inform themselves of possible health hazards, and to ensure that all reasonably necessary safety measures are undertaken.

- If applicable, the permit holder is responsible for renewing his or her own permit. The issuer is not obliged to send a reminder notice.

LEGISLATION

Here are some, but not all, relevant excerpts from the Wildlife Act:

Property in Wildlife

2 (1) Ownership in all wildlife in British Columbia is vested in the government.

2 (4) If a person by accident or for the protection of life or property kills wildlife, that wildlife, despite subsection (3), remains the property of the government.

2 (5) Despite anything in this Act, no right of action lies, and no right of compensation exists, against the government for death, personal injury or property damage caused by

   a) wildlife, or
   b) an animal that escapes or is released from captivity or is abandoned

in British Columbia

Trafficking in wildlife

22 A person who traffics live wildlife or wildlife meat, except as authorized by regulation or a permit, commits an offence.

Documents not transferable

81 Except as authorized by regulation or as otherwise provided under this Act, a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization is not transferable, and a person commits an offence if the person

   a) allows his or her licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization to be used by another person, or
   b) uses another person’s licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization.

Failure to pay fine

85 (1) This section applies if a person

   (a) fails to pay, within the time required by law, a fine imposed as a result of the person’s conviction for an offence under this Act or the Firearm Act, and
(b) has been served with notice of this section.

(2) In the circumstances referred to in subsection (1),

(a) the person's right to apply for or obtain a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization under this Act is suspended immediately and automatically on the failure to pay the fine,

(b) all licences, permits and limited entry hunting authorizations issued to that person under this Act are cancelled immediately and automatically on the failure to pay the fine,

(b.1) the person must not apply for employment as an assistant guide,

(b.2) the person must not guide as an assistant guide, and

(c) the person commits an offence if, before that fine is paid, the person

(i) applies for, or in any way obtains, a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization under this Act,

(ii) does anything for which a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization under this Act is required,

(iii) applies for employment as an assistant guide, or

(iv) guides as an assistant guide.

Production of licence or permit

97 If a person who is required to hold a licence, permit or limited entry hunting authorization issued under this Act

a) fails to produce it for inspection to an officer on request, or

b) fails or refuses to state his or her name and address to an officer on request,

the person commits an offence.

REGULATIONS

A person who holds a permit under the Act or the Permit Regulation commits an offence if he or she fails to comply with a term of the permit.
APPENDIX C
RECORD OF WILDLIFE HUNTED, TRAPPED OR KILLED

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- The permit holder **MUST** maintain an accurate up-to-date record.
- The permit holder **MUST** submit the original copy of this record to the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations – Fort St. John. **within 21 days** of the permit’s expiry or annually as indicated in “Appendix A – Terms of Permit – Reporting Requirements” of this permit.
- The permit holder must produce a copy of this record on the demand of an officer.

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*If more room is required, please use a sheet of blank paper

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Signature of Permit Holder                            Date

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