



Site C main civil works ramps up this summer

The focus this summer at the Site C dam site is on the continuation of earthworks required for dam construction. This includes excavation on the north and south banks, construction of the south bank drainage tunnel and construction of the south bank cofferdam.

Site preparation will continue. Work areas are expected to include the dam site, public roads used to access the dam site, Highway 29, the 85th Avenue Industrial Lands, Hudson's Hope, the transmission line corridor, Wuthrich Quarry and Portage Mountain Quarry.

For more information about planned construction activities, please visit www.sitecproject.com.



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One year of Site C construction

Construction of the Site C project reached its one-year anniversary on July 27. Significant construction progress has been made over the past year and the project is on time and on budget.

Key highlights of the first year of Site C construction include:

- The project surpassed 1,000 B.C. workers in May 2016. The latest job figures show 1,494 British Columbians working on the project — that's 83 per cent of the current workforce (1,805).
- Approximately 2.5-million cubic metres of material has been excavated and relocated on the north bank of the dam site.
- Over 900 hectares of land has been cleared as part of site preparation work.
- 1,200 rooms and key amenities are now available for Site C construction workers after completing the first two phases of the worker accommodation lodge.
- More than 65,000 cubic metres of timber has been delivered to local mills for processing.
- The 329-metre temporary Peace River construction bridge was completed on time and on budget in March 2016, linking the north and south banks of the dam site.
- Public road improvements to 240 Road (1.6 km) and 269 Road (0.9 km) are substantially complete.

BC Hydro has made more than \$4-billion in financial commitments — including signed contracts and agreements — during the first year of construction.

Site C reaches employment milestone surpassing 1,000 B.C. workers



On July 6, workers from BC Hydro, ATCO and PRHP gathered at the dam site with Mike Bernier and Pat Pimm, MLAs for Peace River South and North, to celebrate a major employment milestone.

There are now well over 1,000 British Columbians working on the Site C project, representing a varied workforce including: carpenters, truck drivers, crane operators, safety advisors and officers, general labourers, heavy-equipment operators, mechanics, electricians, worker lodge operations staff, construction supervisors, environmental workers and project staff (engineering consultants and office staff).

The latest employment statistics show that there was a peak of 1,805 total workers on the Site C project in June 2016, with 1,494 workers from British Columbia (83 per cent). 651 workers on the Site C construction site are from the Peace River Regional District.

BC Hydro supports emergency response in Chetwynd and Taylor

Early in the project planning phase, BC Hydro became aware that there may be incremental demands on emergency rescue services as a result of Site C construction.

In early 2016, BC Hydro provided one-time donations of \$20,000 to Chetwynd and Taylor to support their role in providing road rescue services to their communities.

In addition, to support Taylor in updating their emergency preparedness and response plan, BC Hydro has committed to provide \$50,000 in two equal payments.

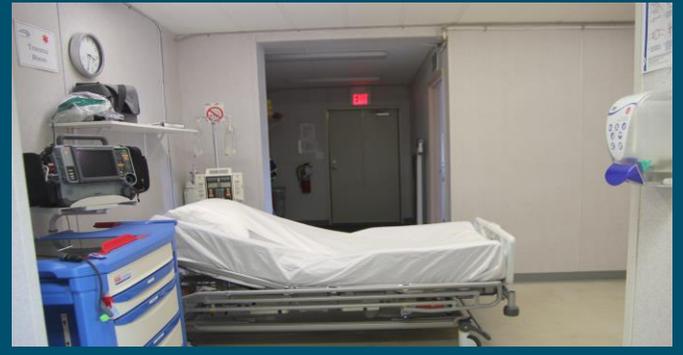
These payments are part of BC Hydro's efforts to mitigate impacts to communities in the project area.

Project Health Clinic opens

The Project Health Clinic is open and providing on-site health services for the Site C project workforce at the worker accommodation lodge. The clinic has been contracted to Halfway River International SOS Medical Ltd., a partnership between Halfway River First Nation and International SOS.

The clinic provides workers with access to primary and preventative health care and work-related injury evaluation and treatment services. It is currently open seven days a week, 12 hours a day, with emergency after-hour access.

Clinic staffing will include nurse practitioners, advanced care paramedics and registered nurses, supported by an off-site medical director.



BC Hydro donates \$75,000 to Fort St. John non-profits

One of the items included in the recently signed BC Hydro – Fort St. John Community Measures Agreement is that BC Hydro will provide donations totaling \$75,000 to non-profits identified by the City.

Groups receiving funds from this donation include: Community Bridge, Fort St. John Women's Resource Centre, Abbeyfield Houses of Fort St. John, Fort St. John Community Arts Council, North Peace Justice Society, Fort St. John Public Library, Fort St. John Literacy Society, Fort St. John North Peace Museum and the BC SPCA North Peace Branch.

BC Hydro was pleased to provide the funds this summer. Stay tuned for updates on the important work these community groups are doing in Fort St. John!

North bank public viewpoint

Construction will start in August to build a new viewpoint on the north bank of the Peace River, above the dam site. This public viewpoint will provide a safe location that people can use to view project construction. The viewpoint will be completed in fall 2016.

BC Hydro and McLeod Lake Indian Band reach agreements on Site C

In early July, BC Hydro and McLeod Lake Indian Band concluded agreements that will provide economic development opportunities and other benefits related to the construction and operation of the Site C project.

The agreements, which were endorsed in a vote by McLeod Lake Indian Band members, include an Impact Benefits Agreement, a Contracting Agreement, as well as a Tripartite Lands Agreement, to which the Province of British Columbia is also a party. Benefits under the agreements include a lump sum payment, a payment stream over 70 years, procurement opportunities for McLeod Lake companies, the transfer of provincial Crown lands to McLeod Lake, and a commitment to consider land management initiatives involving McLeod Lake, respecting certain lands.

Fort St. John-based TCL is moving large goods to site

TCL (Trans Carrier Ltd.) has been operating in the Peace Region since 1983 and is a third generation-managed company. Headquartered in Fort St. John, they are part of the Petrowest group of companies.

Over the eight-year build period, TCL will provide a range of services to Peace River Hydro Partners, including coring rigs, gravel supply and hauling, general freight hauling and crane services, as well as surface rentals.

Tyler Kosick, General Manager of TCL, notes that the Site C project provides opportunity in the region: “being born and raised in Fort St. John, I am very happy we have been able to work on this project in our backyard. With the decline in the energy sector in the Peace Region, the Site C project has kept many of our local employees working that may have otherwise been laid off.”

For more information, please visit www.fsjtrucking.com.



Operating a rock truck keeps Holly outdoors and in her element



Holly Striloff was recently hired by Peace River Hydro Partners as a heavy equipment operator on the north bank of the dam site. Holly drives a large rock truck like the one pictured behind her in the photo above.

With three years of experience under her belt, including working on the twinning of Highway 63 in Fort McMurray, Holly decided to attend the Site C job fair that was held in Fort St. John in early 2016. At that job fair Holly was able to connect with Peace River Hydro Partners and provide her resume.

Since being hired on the Site C project, Holly has enjoyed every day on the job. In Holly’s words, “I love the longer hours, being outdoors, and the people I work with.” Holly lives in Fort St. John with her family and wanted the opportunity to work in town and maintain her active outdoor lifestyle.

How to apply for Site C jobs

- Site C jobs are being posted on the websites of WorkBC (www.workbc.ca) and Employment Connections (www.employmentconnections.bc.ca)
- You can submit your resume directly to the Site C contractors. BC Hydro is posting email addresses for the contractors at www.sitecproject.com/job-opportunities/how-to-apply
- PRHP is posting available jobs at www.prhp.ca

Get more information

- Visit us on the web and sign up to receive email updates: www.sitecproject.com
- Follow us on Twitter: @sitecproject
- Call our toll-free construction information telephone line at: 1-877-217-0777
- Email us at: sitec@bchydro.com

Third-generation Fort St. John resident working on the project



Fort St. John-local Ryan Hall has been working on the Site C project for several months as an equipment operator for PRHP. His focus so far has been on the north bank operating CATs, hoes and graders. He was also involved with the construction of PRHP's on-site offices. In his words, Ryan is "very excited to be working on the project because it is right in our backyard."

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Ideal Office Solutions is helping to set up PRHP's on-site office

Nelson Stowe, president of Fort St. John-based Ideal Office Solutions and board member with the Fort St. John Chamber of Commerce, is pleased to be supplying several commercial multi-function office systems (copy, print, scan and fax) to Peace River Hydro Partners' on-site construction office.

"PRHP has been excellent to work with during these early months of start-up," said Nelson, who recently toured the construction site with the Chamber board.

For more information, please visit www.idealos.ca.



Eagle Vision is capturing the project as it progresses

Eagle Vision is a local company that was founded in 1997. They will be working with BC Hydro to capture photo and video of the Site C project over the eight-year build. Led by Fort St. John-local and self-proclaimed 'lifer' Ben Haab, the company specializes in industrial photography, video, remote security systems and aerial photography and video.

Ben first made a connection with the Site C team by signing up for the business directory early in the project's definition phase. He also attended several of the 2015 and 2016 business networking sessions in the region. After a responding to a RFP that was issued in early 2016, Ben received the good news that Eagle Vision was awarded the contract. His reaction is that he "feels blessed to be able to do what we love in the city we live in."

The team at Eagle Vision "loves their jobs because we get the unique opportunity to see all aspects of the project — from surveying and initial start-up to mobilization and full construction."

For more information about Eagle Vision and their service offering, please visit www.eaglevisionvideo.ca. To see Eagle Vision's Site C photos, visit www.sitecproject.com.

