

April 13, 2023 File: 20024602 vFCBC Tracking #: 100408064

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority

12th Floor - 333 Dunsmuir Street Vancouver, BC V6B 5R3

Dear Sir or Madam:

Re: Water Licence Application 124602

The investigation of the above application has been completed. Enclosed is a copy of your Conditional Water Licence.

Please read the documents carefully. Any error(s) in these documents should be brought to the attention of this office as soon as possible.

Please note the following:

- 1) Water licences do not authorize entry on privately owned land for the construction of works, or flooding. Permission of the affected landowner must be obtained or an easement expropriated. For your protection, permission should be in writing and registered with the appropriate Land Title Office.
- 2) Permission for installing works on lands or roadways which are under the jurisdiction of any government agency, must be obtained from the agency concerned.

Please contact FrontCounter BC to assist you with notifications and any applications required if:

- a) there is any change in your mailing address;
- b) you sell the land to which the licence is appurtenant;
- c) you propose to subdivide the land to which the licence is appurtenant; or
- d) you propose to alter the works authorized under the licence.

In order for you to keep your water licence in good standing, the following must be observed:

- a) continued beneficial use of water, as authorized under your licence;
- b) payment of annual rentals;
- c) compliance with the terms of your licence; and
- d) compliance with the terms of the Water Sustainability Act.

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One of the obligations of a water licence is the payment of annual rentals and fees to the Crown for the authorization to exercise the rights granted under the licence. Failure to pay water rental invoices by a specified date may result in late-payment penalties, collection action or cancellation of the licence. Any questions in regards to invoices, statements or billing procedures should be directed to the Water Revenue Unit at 1 (800) 361-8866. Callers from the Victoria area should dial (250) 387-9445.

The Water Sustainability Act gives the recipient of this notice the right to appeal my decision. Information on filing an appeal can be found on the Environmental Appeal Board Website at: http://www.eab.gov.bc.ca/. A right of appeal from my decision lies to the Environmental Appeal Board. Notice of any appeal must (1) be in writing; (2) include grounds for the appeal; (3) be directed by registered mail to the Chair, Environmental Appeal Board, PO Box 9425 Stn Prov Govt., Victoria, BC V8W 9V1 or personally delivered to the office of the Board at 4th Floor, 747 Fort Street in Victoria, BC V8W 3E9, eabinfo@gov.bc.ca; (4) be delivered within 30 days of receiving this letter, and (5) be accompanied by a fee of \$25.00, payable to the Minister of Finance.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact this office.

Yours truly,

Dave Francis Water Manager

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Province of British Columbia Water Sustainability Act

CONDITIONAL WATER LICENCE

The British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority is hereby authorized to divert and use water as follows:

- a) The stream on which the rights are granted is the Peace River.
- b) The points of diversion are located as shown on the attached plan.
- c) The date from which this licence shall have precedence is February 8, 2023.
- d) The purposes for which this licence is issued are Conservation: Construct Works and Well Drill/Transportation Management (Dust Control).
- e) The maximum quantity of water which may be diverted for Conservation: Construct Works use is 2,700 cubic metres per second.
 - The maximum quantity of water which may be diverted for Well Drill/Transportation Management (Dust Control) use is 120 cubic metres per day at a rate not to exceed 0.02 cubic metres per second.
- f) The period of the year during which the water may be used is January 1 to December 31, January 1 to December 31.
- g) The land upon which the water is to be used and to which this licence is appurtenant is each property referenced in the Description of Activities and Works document submitted with the Licence application (submitted date: February 8, 2023).
- h) The authorized works are screened intake(s), access road(s), water truck(s) and fish habitat enhancement work.
- i) The construction of the said works shall be completed, and the water shall be beneficially used prior to April 1, 2026. Thereafter, the licensee shall continue to make regular beneficial use of the water in the manner authorized herein.
- j) The intakes shall be screened in accordance with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Freshwater Intake End-of-Pipe Fish Screen Guidelines.

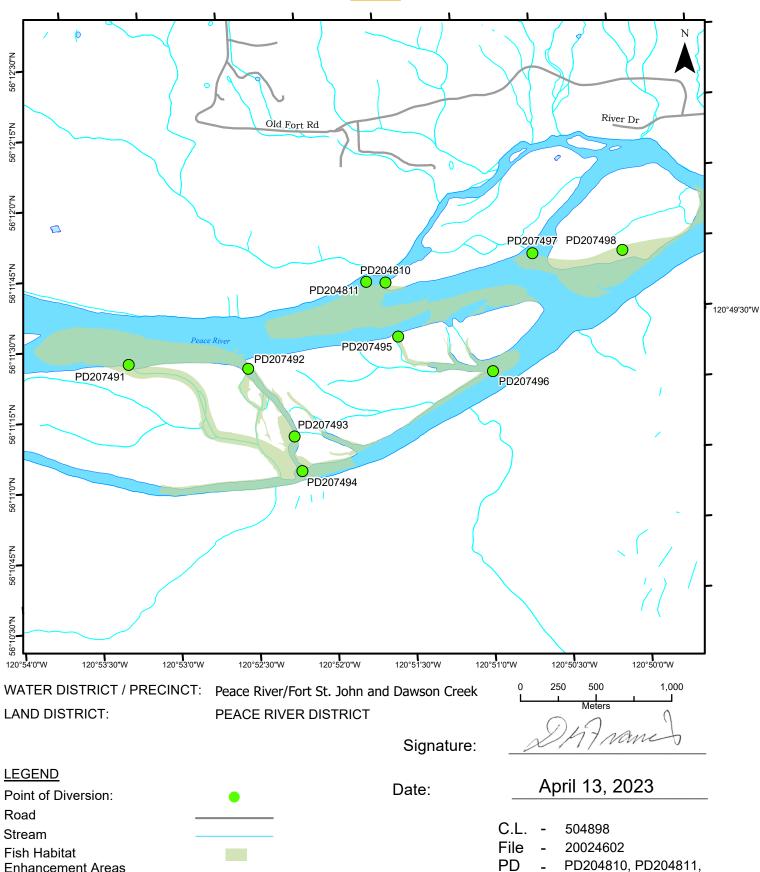
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- k) The licence will initiate those sections under the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), as it relates to this project to protect fish and fish habitat, vegetation and ecological communities, wildlife and heritage resources associated with these works.
- 1) This licence is issued under the *Water Sustainability Act* (the Act). The exercise of rights under the licence is subject to the Act and its regulations, the terms and conditions of the licence, orders under the Act and the rights of licensees whose rights have precedence on the stream or on an aquifer. The licensee must comply with all such requirements, as well as the provisions of all other applicable enactments. In exercising rights under the licence, the licensee must exercise reasonable care to avoid damaging land, works, trees or other property, and must make full compensation to the owners for damage or loss resulting from construction, maintenance, use, operation or failure of the works.
- m) During all phases of construction and maintenance of the licenced works and related activities, the holder of this licence is subject to the habitat protection requirements, described in the document entitled "Terms and Conditions for Construction and Maintenance of Licensed Works" (dated March 1, 2017). Those habitat protection requirements are hereby incorporated into this licence as if written herein as licence conditions, which requirements must be implemented by the licensee in conjunction with any guidance provided by a Water Manager or Habitat Officer.

Dave Francis Water Manager

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Enhancement Areas