PEACE RIVER SITE C HYDRO PROJECT

BC Hydro to Conduct Field Studies
Evaluation of geological conditions around the potential Site C dam and reservoir areas

BC Hydro will begin conducting field studies to evaluate geological and slope conditions in the area of the potential Site C dam and reservoir for two to three weeks beginning April 28, 2008. The field study work is weather dependent. If the weather is not suitable, the field study may be delayed by one week.

The purpose of the field studies is to investigate geological and slope conditions around the potential dam site and reservoir area and to evaluate the conditions of site study areas, including areas with previously-installed instrumentation.

Because much of the information currently known about the potential Site C project is almost 25 years old, information from new field studies is required to update engineering, environmental studies, and other technical work.

No decision has been made to build Site C. BC Hydro is taking a staged approach to the evaluation of the proposed project and is currently in Stage 2 – Project Definition and Consultation. This stage involves further project definition, including environmental, engineering and socio-economic studies, as well as public consultation.

BC Hydro will post monthly field study update sheets that outline the nature and timing of field studies in the Fort St. John area. Field study updates are available on the website at www.bchydro.com/sitec and in the Community Consultation Office: 9948 100th Avenue, Fort St. John.

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