

SITE C CLEAN ENERGY PROJECT

PROTECTING AMPHIBIANS

With construction of the Site C project underway, BC Hydro and its contractors are taking steps to minimize impacts on wildlife. This includes measures to collect and relocate amphibians found during construction work, such as toad, frog and salamander species.

For example, long-toed salamander habitat was found in some north bank work areas at the dam site. To protect these amphibians, the work sites were avoided and fenced until the salamanders could be safely collected and relocated to a suitable new location.

BC Hydro has been working with the province to ensure that these activities are conducted under the applicable B.C. *Wildlife Act* permits, and that appropriate methods are used for the capture, collection and transfer of amphibians.

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Throughout Site C construction, contractors will follow provincial guidelines and the requirements of BC Hydro's **Construction Environmental Management Plan** regarding important wildlife areas that may be encountered during construction work. BC Hydro and its contractors engage qualified environmental professionals to plan for and implement environmental protection measures in these areas.

BC Hydro has been studying wildlife, including amphibians, in the Site C project area for years as part of a cooperative federal-provincial environmental assessment process. BC Hydro's wildlife studies are documented in the Site C Environmental Impact Statement.

To learn more about Site C construction activities, please visit sitecproject.com.



A western toad in the Peace Region.



Conducting amphibian surveys for Site C.



A wood frog seen during BC Hydro's field studies.