

FIELD STUDIES INFORMATION SHEET

May – October 2012: Notice of Helicopter Work

The Site C Clean Energy Project (Site C) is now in Stage 3, the environmental and regulatory review phase, which will include an independent environmental assessment. Stage 3 work includes conducting environmental and engineering field studies on and around the Peace River between the Williston Reservoir and the Alberta border. Site C is in the early stages of a cooperative environmental assessment process by federal and provincial regulatory agencies, which includes a joint review panel.

During the 2012 field season, BC Hydro will be conducting environmental and engineering field studies in the Site C reservoir area from Hudson's Hope to the proposed Site C dam location, in the Peace River tributaries, as well as at sites associated with project components within the broader Peace Region. These sites include the dam site and construction areas, highway re-alignments, quarries, and the transmission corridor. Several studies will require the periodic use of helicopters, including geotechnical investigations at the dam site, construction materials sourcing, studies to determine the location of additional climate stations, large nest surveys, fisher telemetry studies, forestry surveys, fish and fish habitat studies, and the heritage assessment.

Whenever possible, helicopters will travel along the south bank to minimize noise disturbance. Property owners directly impacted by helicopters overhead will be advised at least one business day in advance.

Field study updates are available at www.bchydro.com/sitec and in the Community Consultation offices in Fort St. John and Hudson's Hope.

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- Whenever possible, helicopters will travel over the south bank to minimize disturbance to private property owners.
- Property owners directly impacted by helicopters overhead will be advised at least one business day in advance.
- BC Hydro has obtained the necessary permissions and permits.