

FIELD STUDIES INFORMATION SHEET

Migratory Birds Study Program: July – September 2012

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.

Throughout July, August and September 2012, BC Hydro will conduct migratory bird field studies to gather data on the presence and habitat use of migrating birds within the Peace River valley and within and adjacent to sites that will be directly affected by the proposed project.

Work will include ground based surveys (boat, foot and/or vehicle based) which will be completed using point count surveys. All birds heard singing or observed at stations and along transects between stations will be recorded.

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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- BC Hydro is conducting migratory bird field studies in the Peace River Region
- Keystone Wildlife Research is leading the work
- BC Hydro will obtain the necessary permissions before land is accessed and work is performed
- Work will be conducted to Resource Inventory Committee Standards