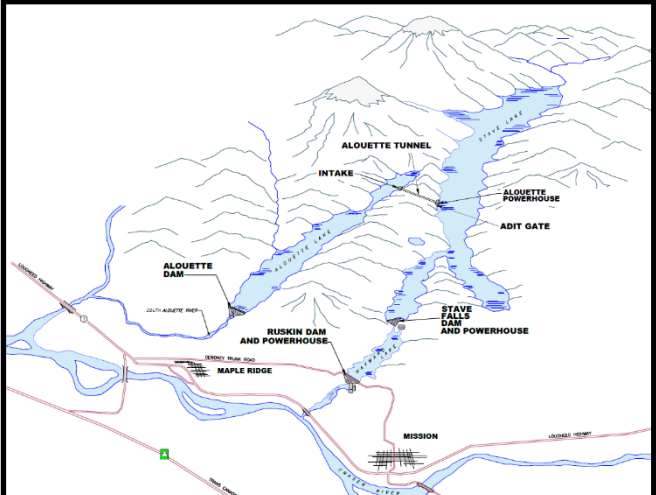


# PROJECT INFORMATION

## WATER USE PLAN ORDER REVIEW

### STAVE FALLS-RUSKIN PROJECT

<p><b>OVERVIEW:</b></p>	<p>BC Hydro developed Water Use Plans (WUPs) for most of our hydroelectric generation facilities between 1999 and 2004. The goal of water use planning was to find a better balance between competing uses of water which are environmentally, socially, and economically acceptable to British Columbians. WUPs were developed through a consultative planning process involving government agencies, First Nations, local citizens, and other affected groups. WUPs were implemented by a <i>Water Act</i> Order issued by the B.C. Comptroller of Water Rights (CWR).</p> <p>We are at the final stage of implementing water use planning and are undertaking reviews to determine whether the water management constraints on our operations are achieving the specific environmental and social objectives identified in the Order.</p> <p>The reviews will produce conclusions or recommendations on how the Order could be modified or sustained for future facility operations.</p>
<p><b>LOCATION:</b></p>	<p>Stave Falls Generating Station; Ruskin Generating Station          Stave Lake Reservoir; Ruskin (Hayward Lake) Reservoir          Stave Falls Dam, Blind Slough Dam; Ruskin Dam</p>
<p><b>PURPOSE OF THE REVIEW:</b></p>	<p>The WUP activities that the CWR ordered BC Hydro to implement will be reviewed. During the review process, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Synthesize and document the outcomes of the water management operating constraints, physical works, performance monitoring, and other activities undertaken with respect to the objectives in the Order.</li> <li>• Outline our compliance with the Order.</li> <li>• Identify any areas where it was not possible to fully comply with the Order, and explain why.</li> <li>• Describe the remaining actions needed to fulfil the Order requirements.</li> <li>• Identify new operation issues that have been discovered or arisen as a consequence of implementing the Order.</li> <li>• Develop a report for the CWR that contains conclusions or recommendations to update the Order, such that it reflects the status and outcomes of the WUP implementation.</li> </ul> <p>The review will be primarily based on data, documents, and reports that have been produced from the studies and projects that have been implemented. These are all posted here on <a href="http://bchydro.com">bchydro.com</a></p>

<p>ENGAGEMENT:</p>	<p>It's important to us that we receive your input.</p> <p>We will produce two reports, the Stave Falls/Ruskin Monitoring Program Synthesis Report and the Water Use Plan Order Review Report that will be provided to federal and provincial government agencies, First Nations, and key stakeholders. They will also be posted here on bchydro.com.</p> <p>We will consider input from all parties, along with technical and financial information, to report to the CWR what operation constraints and other commitments could be maintained, changed, or added for future facility operations.</p>
<p>ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE:</p>	<p><b>April 2020: Review has paused due to COVID-19 pandemic.</b></p> <p>Review the Stave Falls/Ruskin Monitoring Program Synthesis Report – Complete, finalizing feedback on comments.</p> <p>Review the Water Use Plan Order Review Report – TBD.</p> <p>As intended in the Alouette River Consultative Committee Report and WUP, we plan to structure the Report around system operations such that the two current Orders for Alouette and Stave Falls/Ruskin be integrated: therefore, a review of both the Alouette Monitoring Program Synthesis Report and the Stave Falls/Ruskin Monitoring Program Synthesis Report are being undertaken prior to a review of an integrated WUPOR Report for the three facilities. Updates to the schedule will be posted here on bchydro.com.</p>
<p>SUPPORTING INFORMATION:</p>	<p><a href="#">Stave Falls and Ruskin Project WUP Implementation Order</a></p> <p><a href="#">Stave Falls and Ruskin Projects WUP and Annual Implementation Reports</a></p> <p><a href="#">BC Hydro's WUP Order Review Information Sheet</a></p> <p><a href="#">B.C.'s Water Use Plan Guidelines</a> (Order Review is Step 13)</p>
<p>PROJECT CONTACTS:</p>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="flex: 1;"> <p><b>Program Manager</b> Doug Johnson Email: <a href="mailto:wupor@bchydro.com">wupor@bchydro.com</a></p> <p><b>Community Relations Coordinator</b> Debra Lamash Tel: 1 866 647 3334 Email: <a href="mailto:projects@bchydro.com">projects@bchydro.com</a></p> </div> <div style="flex: 2;">  <p>The map illustrates the Alouette River system. Key features include the Alouette Tunnel, Intake, Alouette Dam, Ruskin Dam and Powerhouse, and Stave Falls Dam and Powerhouse. The river flows from the mountains in the north towards the south, passing through the Alouette Reservoir and the Alouette Adit Gate. The map also shows the Alouette River, Stave Falls Reservoir, and the surrounding terrain, including the Alouette Tunnel, Intake, Alouette Dam, Ruskin Dam and Powerhouse, and Stave Falls Dam and Powerhouse. The map is a technical drawing showing the layout of the river and the various structures and facilities along its course.</p> </div> </div>