

ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC

Heritage and Cultural Resources

Report: 30. Heritage Resources Data Gap Analysis, 2009

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Summary: The objectives of this study included:

- Identifying regulatory and other requirements for heritage resources.
- Documenting the current status of heritage information.
- Defining potential project effects and issues for heritage resources.
- Presenting recommendations for additional work required to meet current regulatory and other requirements for heritage resources.

A review of previously completed work, most of which was conducted over 25 years ago, identified that the Site C project area is known for archaeological resources, historic resources, and for bedrock fossil potential. The report discusses the potential project effects in light of relevant regulatory requirements and concludes with a summary of data gaps and recommendations.

The key finding was confirmation that federal and provincial regulatory requirements, and specifically the *Heritage Conservation Act*, direct the need for a Heritage Impact Assessment if the project proceeds to the next stage.