

July 31, 2020

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Dear Mr. White:

Re: Puntledge River Project Water Use Plan Monitoring Programs and Physical Works Annual Report 2020

Your letters approving the Puntledge River Water Use Plan monitoring programs and physical works Terms of Reference state that BC Hydro is required to submit an annual report as well as individual monitoring program reports in July of each year. As per your approval email dated July 25, 2019, recognizing that PUNWORKS-1 Gravel Replacement in the Puntledge River is the only project left in implementation under the Puntledge River Water Use Plan, the annual report for 2020 is provided via this letter.

PUNWORKS-1 Gravel Replacement in the Puntledge River

This project is for the placement and periodic maintenance of approximately 2000 square metres of spawning gravel in the Puntledge River which is to be undertaken in consultation with agencies.

On December 3, 2018, BC Hydro received approval of a Terms of Reference (TOR) for PUNWORKS-1 to proceed to definition and implementation stages, as it was anticipated that the access issues via a private property were near resolution. Unfortunately, BC Hydro and the private landowner were unable to reach a suitable agreement. As part of the design and specification validation for this work, we have revisited alternative locations since last summer. A Terms of Reference Addendum has been drafted and will be sent for comment to regulators and First Nations by the end of August 2020. Once comments are received and incorporated, we will submit the TOR Addendum to your office for approval.

The revised PUNWORKS-1 project schedule currently extends this work into fall of 2021, pending receipt of necessary permits. The updated financial information is in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Puntledge River WUP Monitoring Programs and Physical Works Costs

| | Costs | | Estimated to | Total Forecast | | | |
|---|-----------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|
| | | Life to Date | Complete | (LTD and | Variance Total to | | |
| Monitoring Programs and Physical Works | CWR | Actuals (LTD) | (Forecast) | Forecast) | Approved | Explanation | Corrective Action |
| | | | | | | | |
| Puntledge WUP Annual Report | \$6,978 | \$5,281 | \$905 | \$6,186 | \$791 | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| PUNM01A Adult Fish Passage Mo | \$355,431 | \$321,459 | | \$321,459 | \$33.972 | Project Completed | |
| PUNM01A Adult Fish Passage Mo - OR DM | \$58,961 | \$52.080 | | \$52.080 | 1 / - | | |
| PUNM01A Adult Fish Passage Mo - OR Imp | \$296,470 | \$269,379 | | \$269,379 | \$27,091 | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| PUNM02A Egg Incubation Assess | \$100,962 | \$95,351 | | \$95.351 | \$5,611 | Project Completed | |
| PUNM02A Egg Incubation Assess - OR DM | \$20,862 | | | \$16.091 | | | |
| PUNM02A Egg Incubation Assess - OR Imp | \$80,100 | \$79,259 | | \$79,259 | \$841 | | |
| 35 | , , | , , , , , , | | , ,, | | | |
| PUNM03A Steelhead Production | \$346.928 | \$332.803 | | \$332.803 | \$14 125 | Project Completed | |
| PUNM03A Steelhead Production - OR DM | \$70,228 | , , | | \$61,401 | | 1 Toject Completed | |
| PUNM03A Steelhead Production - OR Imp | \$276,700 | | | \$271,401 | \$5,299 | | |
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| PUNM04A Stranding Assessment | \$15,841 | \$15.251 | | \$15.251 | \$590 | Project Completed | |
| PUNM04A Stranding Assessment - OR DM | \$7,472 | , . | | \$7.046 | | | |
| PUNM04A Stranding Assessment - OR Imp | \$8,369 | | | \$8,204 | | | |
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| PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - ONR | | \$964 | | \$964 | (\$964) | Project Completed | |
| PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - ONR DM OS | | \$7 | | \$7 | (\$7) | 1 Toject Completed | |
| PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - ONR Imp OS | | \$957 | | \$957 | (\$957) | | |
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| PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - OR | \$64.094 | \$64.094 | | \$64.094 | (\$0) | Project Completed | |
| PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - OR DM | \$27,894 | | | \$27.894 | | 1 10jour completed | |
| PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - OR Imp | \$36,200 | , , | | \$36,200 | (1.7) | | |
| | 711,200 | Ţ101200 | | 710,200 | (\$0) | The current forecast does not include | |
| | | | | | | anticipated spend. A TOR Addendum will | |
| PUNW01A Gravel Replacement | \$397,365 | \$109,797 | \$317,455 | \$427,252 | | be submitted in the fall of 2020. | |
| PUNW01A Gravel Replacement - OR DM | \$139,889 | | | | | | |
| PUNW01A Gravel Replacement - OR Imp | \$257,476 | | | | | | |

OR - Ordered Remissible ONR - Ordered Non-Remissible

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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