

July 29, 2022

Ted White, B.Sc. Director and Comptroller of Water Rights Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development PO Box 9340 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9M1

Dear Mr. White:

## Re: Puntledge River Project Water Use Plan Monitoring Programs and Physical Works Annual Report 2022

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 was the only project left in implementation under the Puntledge River Water Use Plan, the annual report for 2022 is provided via this letter. This submission represents the last annual report submission for the PUN WUP as all projects are complete.

## PUNWORKS-1 Gravel Replacement in the Puntledge River

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

On November 3, 2020 BC Hydro received approval of Terms of Reference (TOR) Addendum 1 to proceed with to the alternative project site (Pad A), which is located on the Puntledge River just below Comox Dam. On July 23, 2021, BC Hydro submitted a budget increase request due to a change in the construction methodology of the temporary access road ensuring safe access for the trucks and equipment to the project site (Pad A). The construction work was completed in September 2021. Attached is the PUNWORKS-1 Construction Completion Report dated April 7, 2020. We will prepare a separate Project Completion Report and will submit to your office at a later date.

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			
	approved by	Life to Date	Complete	(LTD and	Variance Total to		
Monitoring Programs	CWR	Actuals (LTD)	(Forecast)	Forecast)	Approved	Explanation	Corrective Action
Puntledge WUP Annual Report	\$6,978	\$5,281	\$0	\$5,281	\$1.696	Project Complete	
PUNM01A Adult Fish Passage Mo	\$355,431	\$321,459		\$321.459	\$33.972	Project Complete	
PUNM01A Adult Fish Passage Mo - OR DM	\$58,961	\$52,080		\$52,080		, .	
PUNM01A Adult Fish Passage Mo - OR Imp	\$296,470			\$269,379			
PUNM02A Egg Incubation Assess	\$100,962	\$95,351		\$95,351	\$5,611	Project Complete	
PUNM02A Egg Incubation Assess - OR DM	\$20,862	\$16,091		\$16,091	\$4,771		
PUNM02A Egg Incubation Assess - OR Imp	\$80,100	\$79,259		\$79,259	\$841		
PUNM03A Steelhead Production	\$346,928	\$332,803		\$332,803	\$14,125	Project Complete	
PUNM03A Steelhead Production - OR DM	\$70,228	\$61,401		\$61,401	\$8,827		
PUNM03A Steelhead Production - OR Imp	\$276,700	\$271,401		\$271,401	\$5,299		
PUNM04A Stranding Assessment	\$15,841	\$15,251		\$15,251	\$590	Project Complete	
PUNM04A Stranding Assessment - OR DM	\$7,472	\$7,046		\$7,046			
PUNM04A Stranding Assessment - OR Imp	\$8,369	\$8,204		\$8,204	\$165		
PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - ONR		\$964		\$964	(\$964)	Project Complete	
PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - ONR DM OS		\$7		\$7	(\$7)		
PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - ONR Imp OS		\$957		\$957	(\$957)		
PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - OR	\$64,094	\$64,094		\$64,094	(\$0)	Project Complete	
PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - OR DM	\$27,894	\$27,894		\$27,894	(\$0)		
PUNM05A Kayak Cost Benefit - OR Imp	\$36,200	\$36,200		\$36,200	(\$0)		
PUNW01A Gravel Replacement	\$771,589	\$697,842	\$3,691	\$701,533	\$70,056	Project Complete	
PUNW01A Gravel Replacement - OR DM	\$140,027	\$121,587	\$3,691	\$125,278			
PUNW01A Gravel Replacement - OR Imp	\$631,562	\$576,255		\$576,255	\$55,307		

OR - Ordered Remissible ONR - Ordered Non-Remissible

\* Red values in parentheses denote overage.

Regards,

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