

Indigenous Engagement Plan (IEP)

#1 Project Monthly Construction Update Memo

TO:	City of Merritt	REPORT DATE:	Friday, July 19, 2024
PROJECT:	RECOVE23-28B – C-EPA North Dike Construction	SITE MANAGER:	Darcy Schenkeveld - Superintendent
LOCATION:	1298 Coldwater Ave, Merritt BC	WORKFORCE:	3 - 5

Project Overview

The Project is to construct a 300 meter long flood protection dike along the bank of the Coldwater River. Initial activities will include site establishment, stream isolation to prevent sediment from entering the stream and for protection of in stream wildlife, Tree falling and Shrub Removals. Following this work, granular materials and Rip Rap will be placed along the bank of the River. Once complete construction of the dike will begin. Additional Rip Rap will be placed to protect the structure with a gravel walkway being constructed on top of the dike to re-establish public use of the area.

1. Environmental Update

- 1.1 The initial steps of the project include site establishment and layout as well as the installation of a silt curtain in the Coldwater River during the July 22 to August 1st fish window. Once the silt curtain is in place, works will begin to ensure the work area is free of fish. These works will be completed under the Supervision of a Qualified Environmental Monitor to ensure the safety of the environment while work is completed near the River.

2. Heritage Update

- 2.1 A Cultural Monitor is being arranged by the City of Merritt.

3. Construction Update

- 3.1 Once the isolation is complete, clearing and grubbing will proceed to prep the site for the construction of the new dike starting August 7th. Once complete works will begin to install Rip Rap along the bank. These works will be completed under the Supervision of a Qualified Environmental Monitor to ensure the safety of the environment while work is completed near the River. Rip Rap installation is planned to start approximately August 13th.
- 3.2 Upcoming activities for the next week include installation of the isolation area and fish salvage once isolation is complete.

4. Schedule Update

- 4.1 This is the first week of Construction, no update for past work at this time.

5. Project Photos

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