

Indigenous Engagement Plan (IEP)

Project Weekly Construction Update Memo

TO:	City of Merritt	REPORT DATE:	Friday, August 16, 2024
PROJECT:	RECOVE23-28B – C-EPA North Dike Construction	SITE MANAGER:	Darcy Schenkeveld - Superintendent
LOCATION:	1298 Coldwater Ave, Merritt BC	WORKFORCE:	12

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

- Environmental Professional on site monitoring activities and fish salvage works. Focus this week was adjusting the isolation curtain correct deficiencies that are appearing as the water is being deflected away from the work zones. Continuing to monitor water temperatures to ensure fish salvage activities are done safely and effectively.

2. Heritage Update

- 2.1 A Cultural Monitor is being arranged by the City of Merritt and has been present on site as the work is proceeding. .

3. Construction Update

- 3.1 River isolation is complete with ongoing fish salvage efforts occurring.
- 3.2 Clearing activities are complete on site with the exception of the North end where bird nesting is active.
- 3.3 Bank excavation has begun at STN 0+310 to STN 0+250 with Rip Rap placement to follow closely behind. Coordination with the Geotechnical Engineer around unsuitable materials found during bank excavation.

4. Schedule Update

- 4.1 A focus on river levels and isolation efforts have pushed Rip Rap placement. With water deflection efforts in place and fish salvage well underway, crews will be focusing on excavation along the bank, import of suitable materials, and placement of Rip Rap upon return.

5. Project Photos



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