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BC Hydro & Power Authority
17th Floor-333 Dunsmuir ST
Vancouver, BC V6B 5R3

Dear BC Hydro & Power Authority,

Change Approval – Lynx Creek (File 9000848)

A Change Approval for the above application has been granted and a *Water Sustainability Act Section 11(1) Changes In and About a Stream Approval* document verifying this is attached.

This Change Approval does not authorize occupation of private or Crown owned land. Permission of the affected landowner, or a permission to occupy Crown land, must be obtained and should be in writing for your protection.

The holder of this approval shall ensure that any proposed development and/or changes do not impact traditional or special sites in accordance with the *Heritage Conservation Act* and the ability of First Nation community members to participate in traditional activities on the land and water.

This approval does not constitute authority of any other agency. The holder of this approval shall have the necessary permits from other agencies concerned prior to the commencement of the works authorized herein. The permit holder is required to adhere to all other applicable Provincial and Federal Regulations.

Section 105 of the *Water Sustainability Act* gives the recipient of this notice the right to appeal my decision. You may file an appeal within 30 days of the date indicated on this letter. Information on filing an appeal can be found on the Environmental Appeal Board WEB site at <http://www.eab.gov.bc.ca/>.

Sincerely,

Dave Francis
Water Manager



Section 11 (1) Change Approval

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, 12th Floor-333 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 5R3 and their agents are hereby authorized to make changes in and about a stream as follows:

- 1) The name of the stream is Lynx Creek.
- 2) The changes to be made in and about the stream are:
 - Removal of metal debris from various locations.
- 3) All work will be as described in the Section 11 Application and the associated application documents.
- 4) The works authorized shall be completed by December 31, 2023.
- 5) Any significant departures from the approved plans and specifications as outlined in clause (4) will be submitted to the Water Manager for approval at least ten (10) working days prior to any changes being made in the field.
- 6) All work shall be done in accordance with the “Requirements and Best Management Practices for Making Changes In and About A Stream in British Columbia” (Government of BC 2021).
- 7) Flows downstream of the project site must be maintained at all times.
- 8) All instream works or work occurring in environmentally sensitive areas will be constructed under on-site supervision of an appropriately qualified Environmental Monitor (EM).
- 9) Equipment operating near the stream shall be free of external grease, oil or fluid leaks and an emergency spill response kit shall be kept on-site. Refueling of machinery shall be conducted to ensure that deleterious substances shall not enter the watercourse.
- 10) Care shall be exercised during all phases of construction to minimize the escape of sediment laden water from the watercourse.
- 11) This document does not supersede the requirements of the *Water Sustainability Act* and regulations, *Federal Fisheries Act* or any other related legislation. The proponent is obligated to comply with all federal, provincial and municipal legislation.

- 12) This Approval does not authorize entry onto private land. It is the responsibility of the holder of this Approval to obtain appropriate landowner permissions/agreements prior to the works occurring.
- 13) The holder of this Approval shall take reasonable care to avoid damaging any land, works, trees or other property, and shall make full compensation to the owners for any damage or loss resulting from the exercise of the rights granted with this Approval.
- 14) The holder of this approval shall notify the Water Manager under the *Water Sustainability Act* when the changes have been completed.
- 15) The changes shall be completed to the satisfaction of the Water Manager under the *Water Sustainability Act*.
- 16) This Approval, or a copy of it, shall be kept or posted on the work site so that it may be shown to a Ministry official upon request.



Dave Francis
Water Manager