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As part of the Site C [Agricultural Mitigation and Compensation Plan](#) (AMCP), BC Hydro is establishing a \$20 million fund to support agricultural production and related economic activity in the Peace Region.

One of the first steps in launching the BC Hydro Peace Agricultural Compensation Fund is the creation of a regional decision-making board to oversee management and disbursement of the fund. Please go online for details on the [Agricultural Fund](#) and for the board [Terms of Reference](#).

### **Who we're looking for**

The 10-member board will be comprised of six members who are appointees of regional agricultural associations or the Peace River Regional District (PRRD), three members-at-large, and one member who is a Peace River Valley agricultural producer.

- To serve as a member-at-large, you must be an agricultural producer who lives in the B.C. Peace Region.
- To serve as the Peace River Valley agricultural producer representative, you must be an agricultural producer who has operations located in the Peace River Valley between the Site C dam site and Hudson's Hope.
- Eligible agricultural producers may also include new entrants, agricultural researchers and representatives of emerging agriculture interests.
- The board will give priority to appointing a regional Indigenous agricultural producer to one of the member-at-large positions.

Interested applicants are asked to read the AMCP to understand the board member roles. With that background, we ask that those interested in serving on the board provide us with detailed answers to the following questions:

1. Where in the B.C. Peace Region do you live and/or have agricultural operations?
2. Do you have operations that are located in the Peace River Valley between the Site C project dam site and Hudson's Hope?
3. Are you an Indigenous agricultural producer, new agricultural industry entrant, agricultural researcher or a representative of emerging agriculture interests? If yes, please provide a description of your activities.
4. What is your involvement in B.C. Peace Region agricultural production and what would you contribute to the Agricultural Fund board to support Peace Region agriculture?

Letters of endorsement are not required, but applicants may choose to provide a letter to support their application.

By providing BC Hydro with the above information in your expression of interest, you are consenting to the collection, use and disclosure of this information by BC Hydro for the purposes of establishing the Agricultural Fund board and appointing board members. BC Hydro may disclose your information to the initial six Agricultural Fund board members for the purpose of selecting and appointing the additional four members to the board.

The review and appointment will occur at the first board meeting, which is tentatively scheduled to occur in April-May 2018.

Expressions of interest are due to BC Hydro by **April 9, 2018** and should be sent to [sitec@bchydro.com](mailto:sitec@bchydro.com).

**Thanks for your help in developing the mitigation and compensation plan**

It took a lot of work to develop the framework, draft and final compensation plans. We'd like to thank you for the input we received through the consultation meetings, online feedback forms and emailed submissions.

We'd also like to acknowledge the value of the collaborative discussions that have taken place between BC Hydro, the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture, the B.C. Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, agricultural producer groups, landowners and tenure holders in creating the Agricultural Fund.

For more information on the Agricultural Fund, please visit [www.sitecproject.com/AgFund](http://www.sitecproject.com/AgFund).

Please share this information with any interested agricultural producers. If you have any questions about the AMCP, Agricultural Fund or appointment process, please contact BC Hydro at [sitec@bchydro.com](mailto:sitec@bchydro.com).

Sincerely,

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