

## Ingham, Christine M TRAN:EX

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**From:** Kossari, Farzad <Farzad.Kossari@bchydro.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2017 2:22 PM  
**To:** Davies, Brent M TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Zimmerman, Jedidiah TRAN:EX; Bruce, Greg TRAN:EX; McSherry, Diane; Wharf, Don; Alex Izett; Bodnarchuk, John; Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** Response: Highway 29 Bear Flat Cache Creek - Addendum 1 Schedule

Good afternoon Brent,

Following our discussion and conference call with Scott M. today, BC Hydro is requesting Provincial Contracts to reserve and hold the July 20<sup>th</sup> date for advertising 37249-0001 Grading/Paving Addendum #1 as initially scheduled. However this will be subject to final BC Hydro approval authorizing the advertising.

Please also be advised that the extension of closing date from August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017 to August 17<sup>th</sup> 2017 is approved for Provincial Contracts to revise the closing date at the time the Addendum #1 of 37249-0001 Grading/Paving contract is being advertised.

Regards,  
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**From:** Davies, Brent M TRAN:EX [<mailto:Brent.Davies@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** 2017, July 14 10:14 AM  
**To:** Kossari, Farzad  
**Cc:** Zimmerman, Jedidiah TRAN:EX; Bruce, Greg TRAN:EX; McSherry, Diane; Wharf, Don; Alex Izett; Bodnarchuk, John  
**Subject:** Response: Highway 29 Bear Flat Cache Creek - Addendum 1 Schedule

Good morning Farzad,

Provincial Contracts has been advised to review all submissions supporting 37249-0001 Grading/Paving Addendum #1, but to withhold from posting on BC Bid until appropriate authorization is provided.

Regards,  
Brent D.

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**From:** Kossari, Farzad [<mailto:Farzad.Kossari@bchydro.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 11, 2017 1:58 PM  
**To:** Davies, Brent M TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Zimmerman, Jedidiah TRAN:EX; Bruce, Greg TRAN:EX; McSherry, Diane; Wharf, Don; Alex Izett; Bodnarchuk, John  
**Subject:** Highway 29 Bear Flat Cache Creek - Addendum 1 Schedule

Hi Brent,

Please be advised that BC Hydro is requesting that MoTI to hold on to advertising Grading and Paving Tender Addendum #1 submission which is scheduled on July 20<sup>th</sup>. However this shall not impede any review process and MoTI Contracts

progress on compiling the Addendum #1 package and information for a quick turnaround. BC Hydro will give ample notification to release and eventually advertising the addendum.

Thanks,  
Farzad

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**From:** Jabs, Ryan GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 4:32 PM  
**To:** Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: H29 Bear Flats Grading Tender

Thanks.

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**From:** Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 4:29 PM  
**To:** Main, Grant TRAN:EX; Richter, Kevin J TRAN:EX; Jabs, Ryan GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Leech, Haley TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** FYI: H29 Bear Flats Grading Tender

Just FYI and to close the loop.

The Highway 29 Grading tender has officially been cancelled. Contractors who have subscribed to updates on this project will receive an update advising of the cancellation this afternoon.

### Scott Maxwell

*Regional Director – Northern Region | Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure*

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**From:** Godsaye-Simpson, Victoria TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 4:21 PM  
**To:** Davies, Brent M TRAN:EX; PROVINCIAL CONTRACTS, TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Willow, Vicki TRAN:EX; Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX; Zimmerman, Jedidiah TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Request: H29 Bear Flats Grading Tender

Hello,

Addendum No. 1 for cancellation has been posted on BC Bid.

*Regards ☺,  
Victoria*

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**From:** Godsaye-Simpson, Victoria TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 3:57 PM  
**To:** Davies, Brent M TRAN:EX; PROVINCIAL CONTRACTS, TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Willow, Vicki TRAN:EX; Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX; Zimmerman, Jedidiah TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Request: H29 Bear Flats Grading Tender

Noted, will let you know asap.

## Hayre, Courtney TRAN:EX

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**From:** Richter, Kevin J TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 17, 2017 12:50 PM  
**To:** Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Hayre, Courtney TRAN:EX; Leech, Haley TRAN:EX; Arndt, Danny TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** Re: Making a connection

Let's chat tonight or tomorrow

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 17, 2017, at 12:42 PM, Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX <[Scott.Maxwell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Maxwell@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Kevin,

I think this could be a great opportunity to get our relationship with BCH on the right footing post-BCUC review.

I will be in Victoria on Wednesday after Roadbuilders for our NR update, possibly we could meet with them sometime on Wednesday if you have some room in your schedule.

Alternatively, I could extend my time in Victoria/Vancouver to Thursday if that works better for your schedule.

Thanks,

**Scott Maxwell**  
*Regional Director, Northern Region*  
*BC Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure*

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Mason, Shanna" <[Shanna.Mason@bchydro.com](mailto:Shanna.Mason@bchydro.com)>  
**Date:** September 17, 2017 at 11:40:02 AM PDT  
**To:** "Holland, Melissa" <[Melissa.Holland@bchydro.com](mailto:Melissa.Holland@bchydro.com)>, "[kevin.richter@gov.bc.ca](mailto:kevin.richter@gov.bc.ca)" <[kevin.richter@gov.bc.ca](mailto:kevin.richter@gov.bc.ca)>, "[scott.maxwell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:scott.maxwell@gov.bc.ca)" <[scott.maxwell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:scott.maxwell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** "Ranger, Elaine" <[Elaine.Ranger@bchydro.com](mailto:Elaine.Ranger@bchydro.com)>  
**Subject:** Making a connection

Hi Kevin, Scott, and Melissa,

I wanted to introduce you three as Melissa is the Director for the delivery of the Highway 29 Site C Dam impacts.

Melissa has been in her role for two weeks now and is getting up to speed on the current status, issues, and key decision points related to advancing the highway realignments.

## Hayre, Courtney TRAN:EX

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**From:** Richter, Kevin J TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 1, 2017 1:40 PM  
**To:** Lowe, Sonia GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Leech, Haley TRAN:EX; Jabs, Ryan GCPE:EX; Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW - KM/QA -Hwy 29 tender  
**Attachments:** KMs\_QA\_Hwy 29 tender cancellation v2.docx

Please find my comments.  
Scott, I welcome your comments

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**From:** Lowe, Sonia GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 1, 2017 1:31 PM  
**To:** Richter, Kevin J TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Leech, Haley TRAN:EX; Jabs, Ryan GCPE:EX; Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** FOR REVIEW - KM/QA -Hwy 29 tender

Kevin – for your review and approval, please. KMs & QA on the Hwy 29 realignment tender.

Thank you,

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## **Hwy 29 realignment - tender cancellation**

### **Key Messages**

- I understand that BC Hydro will be sending the Site C project to the BC Utilities Commission (BCUC) for review.
- Because of this review, the ministry will be cancelling our tender to realign Highway 29, until the outcome of the review has concluded.
- The ministry will allow the BCUC review to take place and will not presuppose the outcome at this time.

## **Hwy 29 realignment - tender cancellation**

### **Q&As**

#### ***What is the scope of the project being deferred today?***

- The Bear Flats to Cache Creek section is the first of six sections of Highway 29 that need to be relocated to accommodate the proposed Site C reservoir.
- The Bear Flats to Cache Creek was scheduled to be tendered in two contracts, the road construction and bridge construction.
- The road contract tender is being cancelled today; the bridge contract has not been tendered yet.
- Approximately 8.5km of road will be reconstructed in this project and the bridge design is 455m long.

#### ***What are the risks of deferring the road tender package?***

- Should the highway relocation proceed following the BCUC review, the road and bridge relocation completion dates may be delayed into another construction season.
- In this event, there is a small chance that a short section of existing highway, including the Cache Creek Bridge, will be impacted by a combination of flooding caused by the dam construction and spring freshet in the coming years.

- The Ministry is working with BC Hydro to find ways to mitigate the potential for the highway closures and is confident that there are solid mitigation options.
- One example is the option to build a temporary detour bridge and road alignment adjacent to the Cache Creek Bridge.
- This temporary detour bridge and alignment will not affect the timeline of the project if the BCUC review shows it should proceed.
- Again I'm confident that the ministry and BC Hydro will be able to put together strategies to mitigate any impacts to the timeline.

*How much is this going to cost?*

- We do not have a firm estimate at this time.

*When are the remaining sections of Highway 29 scheduled to be released?*

- Pending the results of the BCUC review, the remaining sections are all scheduled to be tendered over the next few years.
- The project team is working towards having all the impacted sections of highway moved prior to the full inundation of the reservoir in 2023.

*By sending the Site C project to BCUC for review, what are the implications of this delay on the project's timeline?*

- The ministry has done a thorough technical review on the implications of deferring the Highway 29 realignment, which includes building a temporary detour bridge and alignment while a long term realignment is finished.
- This temporary detour bridge and alignment will not affect the timeline of the project if the BCUC review shows it should proceed, and I'm confident that the ministry and BC Hydro will be able to put together strategies to mitigate any impacts to the timeline.

*Does this mean that there will be no expropriation of properties along Highway 29?*

- This is a question that would best be directed to BC Hydro as they were responsible for acquiring the properties along Highway 29.

***What about reports that suggest the project would lose \$600M if this realignment did not take place?***

- **This is a question you'll have to ask BC Hydro.**
- **Again, provided the BCUC review concludes that the Site C project should continue, the ministry is confident that the work will be done in accordance with the original timeline.**



Regards ☺,  
Victoria

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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 3:29 PM  
**To:** PROVINCIAL CONTRACTS, TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Godsaye-Simpson, Victoria TRAN:EX; Willow, Vicki TRAN:EX; Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX; Zimmerman, Jedidiah TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** Request: H29 Bear Flats Grading Tender  
**Importance:** High

Good afternoon,

As per Scott Maxwell's email below, can you please proceed with the cancellation of Project #37249-0001MJ Highway No. 29 Bear Flat – Cache Creek on BC Bid immediately.

If you can also provide an email confirming the posting of the cancellation notification once it is made public that would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,  
Brent D.  
250-613-6578

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**From:** Maxwell, Scott D TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 2, 2017 2:26 PM  
**To:** Davies, Brent M TRAN:EX  
**Cc:** Chapman, Rodney L TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** Request: H29 Bear Flats Grading Tender

Brent,

Please arrange the cancellation of the Highway 29 grade construction contract tender.

I would request an approximately 2:45pm cancellation.

Thank you,

**Scott Maxwell**

Regional Director – Northern Region | Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure  
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**Paton, Susan TRAN:EX**

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**From:** Minister, EMPR EMPR:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, August 28, 2017 10:13 AM  
**To:** 'reception@blueberryfn.ca'; 'chiefyahey@blueberryfn.ca'  
**Cc:** Minister, ENV ENV:EX; Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX; Minister, IRR IRR:EX; Nikolejsin, Dave MNGD:EX; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX; Sheldan, Tim FLNR:EX; Caul, Doug D ABR:EX; 'Chris.Oriley@bchydro.com'; Transportation, Minister TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** 269811 Site C

Ref: 101497

Chief Marvin Yahey  
Blueberry River First Nations

Dear Chief Yahey:

Thank you for your July 25, 2017 email regarding Blueberry River First Nations' concerns about BC Hydro's Site C Clean Energy Project ("Site C"), Treaty Rights and grave sites. I am also responding on behalf of: Honourable George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy; Honourable Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development; Honourable Scott Fraser, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation; and Honourable Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.

On August 2, 2017, the Province referred Site C to the British Columbia Utilities Commission for review. The review began on August 9, 2017 and will conclude on November 1, 2017. Information on the review, including opportunities to participate, can be found at <http://www.bcuc.com/sitecinquiry.html>.

While the review is underway, the Province has committed to continuing construction on Site C. As a result, operational permitting for Site C will continue.

The Province is open to your request to meet at the end of September to discuss potential grave sites and steps that could be taken to avoid harm to your ancestors and your Nation's ability to respect and protect their potential burial sites.

BC Hydro is also willing to look at changes within the approved highway alignment that was selected following a review of options as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment process and included in the Site C Environmental Assessment Certificate.

Once your field work is complete, I look forward to hearing from you regarding a proposed date and time for this meeting.

Thank you, again, for writing.

Sincerely,

Michelle Mungall  
Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources