

Inspection Report

Permit Holder: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority

Inspection: 2026-3486

Inspection Date: 2026-10-06

Inspection Outcome: Inspected

Inspection Comment:

Joint inspection of Section D of NCTL by BCER and Nazko First Nation on October 6, 2026.

* Transmission line right-of-way (ROW) clearing activities are nearing completion within Section D with only a limited number of parcels remaining. Active hauling of wood from site was observed during the inspection.

* The transmission line ROW crosses two major watercourses within Section D, Cluculz Creek (S2) and Hulatt Creek (S3), at locations between transmission structures. The permit holder identified the associated riparian areas as 'Enhanced Mitigation Zones' and indicated that 'Enhanced Mitigation Plans' are being developed prior to clearing within these areas. The plans are expected to include measures such as stubbing select trees and retaining understory vegetation for bank stability and provide shading to the watercourses.

* Discussed the management of wood waste generated during ROW clearing. Wood waste will be separated into three streams: (1) wood free of adhering soil, which will be chipped and transported to a local facility for further processing; (2) wood with adhering soil, which will be chipped and transported to a separate facility to be made into products such as cattle bedding; and (3) residual woody material, which will be subsurface mulched and retained within the ROW.

* The permit holder indicated that ROW clearing and vegetation management activities on private lands are being planned and implemented in consultation with landowners, with consideration given to individual land-use preferences.

* Inspected archaeological site FIRv-106. FIRv-106 was protected by a 5 m exclusion buffer delineated with yellow flagging. Trees within the site had been stubbed, and no visual evidence of ground disturbance associated with clearing activities was observed. The permit holder indicated that an archaeologist was present during clearing activities within FIRv-106.

* Inspected archaeological site FIRv-105, which occurs within wetland (W2) #D-05-A-W2. FIRv-105 was protected by a 5 m exclusion buffer delineated with yellow flagging and the wetland was delineated with yellow machine-free zone (MFZ) flagging. Trees 15 cm diameter or less were stubbed to a 2 m height and all non-regenerative shrubs were left intact. No visual evidence of ground disturbance associated with clearing activities was observed within FIRv-105 or the wetland. The permit holder indicated that an archaeologist was present during clearing works within FIRv-105.

* During the September 1, 2026 inspection, the permit holder indicated further works were planned at non-classified drainages (NCD) #D-05-A-NCD and

#D-12-A-NCD, including implementation of erosion and sediment control (ESC) measures. BCER observed rip-rap armouring of culvert inlets and outlets and installation of sediment fencing at both crossings during the October 6, 2026 inspection.

* Inspected the access road between transmission structures D2 and D8. The road was equipped with ESC measures throughout, including rock-lined culverts at drainage crossings and straw wattles installed within roadside drainage ditches. The permit holder indicated that similar ESC measures would be implemented along the access road between transmission structures D8 and D20 following completion of wood-hauling activities.

* The permit holder reported that a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) confirmed that no pileated woodpecker activity was present within the cavity nest near transmission structure D15. The area was subsequently cleared.

* The permit holder indicated that Canada thistle had been identified between transmission structures D20 and D22 and that invasive plant management measures were being implemented within the area.

* Good housekeeping practices were observed throughout the construction site.

A satisfactory Inspection was conducted.

The following were the only items that were inspected during this Inspection and does not absolve the company of Non-Compliances which may not have been observed, nor any Non-Compliances which occur subsequent to this Inspection.

Permit: 100122537

Road Number: 07318

Segment IDs (Location): 001 (From NTS: A- 022-J/093-G-13 To NTS: - -/), 002 (From NTS: A- 023-J/093-G-13 To NTS: A- 023-J/093-G-13), 003 (), 004 (From NTS: B- 026-J/093-G-13 To NTS: B- 026-J/093-G-13), 005 (From NTS: D- 028-J/093-G-13 To NTS: C- 029-J/093-G-13)

Permit: 100121941

AACT Number: 00262793

Site Type: Investigative Use - General

Permit: 100122537

AACT Number: 00271371

Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122537

AACT Number: 00271372

Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122537

AACT Number: 00271374

Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122537
AACT Number: 00271375
Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122537
AACT Number: 00271376
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Permit: 100122537
AACT Number: 00271389
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AACT Number: 00271390
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AACT Number: 00271391
Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122537
AACT Number: 00271392
Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122537
AACT Number: 00271407
Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122537
AACT Number: 00271424
Site Type: Workspace

Permit: 100122426
CIAS Number: 0010909
Location ID (Crossing Type): 302 (Culvert)

Permit: 100122537
CIAS Number: 0011004
Location ID (Crossing Type): 19 (Culvert), 23 (Culvert)

Permit: 100123343
CIAS Number: 0010992
Location ID (Crossing Type): 2 (Clearspan Bridge)

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