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## 9,300 salmon fry released with Coastal GasLink support



Thousands of tiny salmon fry are currently making a 1,200-kilometre journey to the ocean with the aim of an eventual return to the Endako River to spawn future generations of Endako chinook salmon.

SCWA's mission, however, dates much farther back — to more than 20 years ago, when the Carrier Sekani Tribal Council noticed rapidly dwindling salmon numbers in the streams and rivers of their traditional territory. To preserve salmon population for generations to come, they cryogenically-froze salmon milt in anticipation of a possible future solution.

That solution was borne out of a partnership between the Carrier Sekani Tribal Council and SCWA, whose team has been raising and caring for the salmon fry at their hatchery in Prince George in anticipation of their release into the Endako River.

However, the task of carefully and quickly getting the salmon fry from the hatchery in Prince George to a remote section of the Endako River near Fraser Lake was one of the last pieces of the puzzle needed to complete the mission. That's where Coastal GasLink was able to step — or fly — in.

Coastal GasLink was excited to play a part in this important story that was decades in the making. By donating helicopter time to fly the precious cargo to the starting point of their new journey, the operation became much smoother and safer for the salmon fry.

The trip would have ordinarily required a two-and-a-half-hour drive from Prince George, followed by an hour-long hike through the forest to the spawning grounds; not an easy task to accomplish with thousands of salmon fry on board.

Coastal GasLink's Tanner Moulton, Public Affairs Coordinator in Prince George, had the great privilege of lending a helping hand to the small team of volunteers and SCWA staff coordinating the mission. He recounted his experience, from loading the fry from the hatchery, to flying them out in the helicopter, and finally finding the perfect spot along the river to release them, as nothing short of incredible.

"Seeing them transported and then released was just the beginning," noted Tanner. "I couldn't imagine the rest of their journey. And just to be a part of it and help them through that process was absolutely amazing."

The salmon fry will now travel to the ocean, only to return to the Endako River many years from now and spawn future generations of Endako chinook salmon.

"We're very hopeful. It's very exciting to see it come full circle. Five years from now we will be able to see the fruits of our labour," said Dustin Snyder, Vice President, SCWA, once the release was complete.

At Coastal GasLink, we want to leave an extraordinary legacy that extends beyond our project. That's why we're invested in collaborating with Indigenous and local communities to ensure the project has a positive and lasting footprint for the communities where we operate and the surrounding environment.



Coastal GasLink's Tanner Moulton got to help release the salmon fry into the Endako River. Years from now, the salmon will return to that very spot to spawn, supporting new generations of healthy salmon populations.

# Indigenous advisors promote safe and inclusive workforce lodges



Brianna Adolph is working on the Coastal GasLink project today, staying at 7 Mile Lodge near Burns Lake.

Coastal GasLink has implemented a first-of-its-kind program to enhance the experience of workers – one that places respect for workers, communities and the surrounding environment as a fundamental way of life.

Brianna Adolph is one of these workers. Originally from Grassy Plains, south of Burns Lake, Brianna is living at the 7 Mile Lodge while working as a Construction Monitor and Community Liaison Advisor for the project.

“I have to admit, my first time at a lodge has been pretty great. I really like the extra-curricular activities and COVID-19 precautions that they have in place. The room is really nice and the food is great! I’ve enjoyed my time here,” she remarked.

Coastal GasLink’s approach to workforce accommodations has always been to provide a healthy and safe home-away-from-home for its workers. But equally

important has been the relationship between the project, its workers and neighbouring communities.

That is why Coastal GasLink recently implemented a unique program within its workforce lodges. Known as the Community Workforce Accommodation Advisor (CWAA) Program, the program is being rolled out in Coastal GasLink’s workforce lodges, and is employing members from neighbouring Indigenous communities to lead programming that promotes inclusion and fosters a deeper understanding of the rich cultures and traditions of Indigenous communities.



Denine Gosselin is proud of Coastal GasLink’s commitment to working with Indigenous communities.

Denine Gosselin, one of the program’s coordinators, knows firsthand the opportunities and challenges that come with large-scale projects like Coastal GasLink. For her, she sees the program as a way to leave a positive legacy by fostering respectful and inclusive relationships between workers and the communities along the project route.

“I’ve been in this industry for over 20 years,” says Denine, “and it is important to me that we make sure that anyone who wants a job in this industry has a safe and inclusive experience. We have an opportunity to leave a positive legacy for all and I am proud to be working with Coastal GasLink to make sure everybody feels safe and to foster transparent communication with our neighbours,” says Denine.

Whether it’s through jam sessions, trivia, traditional food, or nature walks, program advisors are implementing creative ways for workers to develop a stronger understanding and relationship with the land and people around them.

“With the COVID-19 measures in place, we are looking at opportunities to support not only physical health, but the mental health of our workers. We know that by providing opportunities for people to come together, share their time together, and participate in activities, we are contributing to a healthy workforce,” shared Denine.

## **Safety is our number one value.**

**Today, and always.** Our first priority is the health and safety of our workforce, their families, our Indigenous partners and local communities. That is why we are working closely with Northern Health and our contractors to ensure all our work sites and workforce lodges adhere to public health guidance. **Learn more at [coastalgaslink.com/safety](https://coastalgaslink.com/safety).**



# High-school students lend a hand and gain valuable skills

A group of Burns Lake high school students got some hands-on work experience fabricating custom fasteners for Pacific Atlantic Pipeline Construction (PAPC), prime contractor for Sections 6 and 7 of the Coastal GasLink project. The connection was made by local supplier DTU Industrial Wholesale, who saw a perfect skills training and education opportunity for the metal shop class at Lakes District Secondary School in Burns Lake.

When PAPC was looking for a local supplier to provide buggy whip window mounts for their vehicles, the team at Burns Lake-based DTU Industrial Wholesale had the idea to connect the contractor with the metal shop class at Lakes District Secondary School to manufacture the mounts.

“When Nathan Steffenhagen of PAPC approached me and asked if I had any ideas on where to get the usually very overpriced buggy whip window mounts, I knew just who to go to,” explained Crystal Fisher of DTU Industrial Wholesale.

“I approached (the instructor) Mr. Blaine Hastings with the idea of having his metal class take on the task of manufacturing these custom mounts and he was very excited. Throughout the project, his class was able to learn many metal shop basics and came to the table with the official ‘PAPC Local Custom Mount.’”



Lakes District Secondary School metal shop students had the chance to get hands-on experience and learn metal shop basics while creating the official ‘PAPC Local Custom Mount.’

Under the guidance of Mr. Hastings, his class got to work creating custom buggy whip mounts – a fastener that allows workers to attach safety flags to their vehicle’s window.

The class was able to hone their skills, including cutting, bending, drilling, grinding and painting while creating a custom, quality product that’s now proudly installed on hundreds of PAPC contractor vehicles.

The funds that the metal shop earned during this project supported the class budget for supplies and materials, including a new chop saw among other items. Supporting local businesses and communities has always been a priority for Coastal GasLink and its prime contractors. The opportunity to partner with Lakes Secondary School students is just another example of providing opportunities for skills training and education on the project.



I have had the opportunity to work with the PAPC family for a year now and it has been a true pleasure. It is not that common to find large companies that are willing to work intently with the small-town business community. PAPC has given a lot of opportunity for locals to be engaged and work with them on Section 6 & 7!” — Crystal Fisher, DTU Industrial Wholesale, Burns Lake, B.C.

# Visit our refreshed Employment page

Coastal GasLink is safely putting thousands of people back to work as part of British Columbia's healthy economic recovery.

We recently refreshed our Employment page to help better connect British Columbian workers with the hundreds of opportunities available across the project today.

With more than 2,500 high-quality, well-paying jobs being created at peak

construction, we're committed to providing significant economic benefits for families in B.C., today and for decades to come.

Visit [CoastalGasLink.com/Employment](https://CoastalGasLink.com/Employment) to learn more about the diverse opportunities available and how you can apply for them today.



## We're in this together



Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary School and Mouse Mountain Elementary School students can normally count on a healthy breakfast as well as fruits, vegetables, and other nutritional snacks over the course of the school day. With the onset of the pandemic, and school closures, many Fraser Lake and area students were left in a position of uncertainty.

Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary, Mouse Mountain Elementary, and the Fort Fraser Food Bank have been working together to support the school

children and families by assembling and delivering food hampers on a weekly basis to more than 37 families and 115 students.

After 12 weeks, the funds began to run low. Macro Spiecapag Joint Venture (MSJV), one of Coastal GasLink's prime contractors, went to work to bring together Coastal GasLink and other project contractors such as Falcon Camps, Horizon North, and International SOS to donate \$4,000 to the Fraser Lake food bank initiative to assist the families in the region.



We're so pleased that we could support this wonderful community initiative. We are in this together!" — Joan Goldhawk, Manager of Indigenous and Community Relations for MSJV.

"The support we received from Macro Spiecapag Joint Venture, International SOS, Horizon North, Falcon Camps & Coastal GasLink allowed us to not only continue supporting our families while they weren't at school, but also ensured that we were able to set families up going into the summer months. We really can't thank them enough," said Brian Cross, Principal of Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary.

*Story submitted by Macro Spiecapag Joint Venture (MSJV), prime contractor for Section 8 of Coastal GasLink, with support from the Nechako Lakes School District.*



# Small businesses are the heart of our community



Supporting local businesses has always been a priority for TC Energy and Coastal GasLink. The strength of these relationships has a direct impact on our ability to effectively build and operate our project.

And not only does 'buying local' help small businesses, it also comes in handy when you need something done quickly.

Like earlier this summer, when Aecon, our prime contractor for construction of the project's compressor and metering facilities, was setting up their administration building near Groundbirch.

"Due to the pandemic, transportation of the equipment we had ordered was delayed," said Tyler Hunt, Aecon Project Manager on the Wilde Lake

Compressor Station. "We were amazed at the response from the local business community in the Peace region who jumped in to offer solutions to get our office set up quickly."

Tiger Office Plus, a locally owned and run company in Dawson Creek, went above and beyond by personally delivering the pieces to the remote site. They even helped set up the furniture, all of which is built and sourced from BC suppliers.

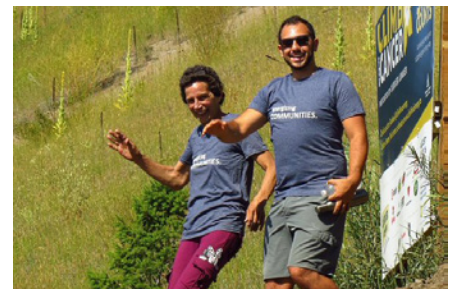
"TC Energy has been instrumental in supporting our business during these challenging times," shared George Richmond, Tiger Office Plus' President and furniture installer.

The positive experience with Tiger Office Plus led to Coastal GasLink ordering even more furniture and supplies from this small business during these challenging times.

# In your community



Meet Digger! When he showed up at one of our worksites, our team quickly equipped him with a safety vest before returning him to his family, one of our local landowners.



Every step counts! Members of our team and their families recently took part in the physically distanced 5th annual Climb For Cancer along the steep Prince George Cutbanks. Coastal GasLink is proud to support this important community initiative, which raises funds for the Cancer Society's Kordyban Lodge.



Noel Ketlo (CMCL Advisor, Nadleh Whut'en First Nation) joined fellow CMCL Advisors in harvesting soapberries, which were processed and distributed to Elders in neighbouring Indigenous communities.

## Coastal GasLink



## We'd like to hear from you

If you have any questions or comments about the project, please reach out.

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