

Meeting Date: February 19, 2009

Construction Update

General Update

The installation of TSI's underground services is still in progress and proceeding well (approximately 65% of the underground services installed to date), as is the filling and densification of the area behind the caissons. TSI's substation upgrade is proceeding, which includes new switchgear and the installation of a 12kV transformer to power the three new 85 LT Quad Cranes. The tieback anchors for the north end sheet pile wall have been completed and that area is also being filled and densified.

A contract has been awarded for the construction of the temporary barge berth, to be used for importing materials for TSI's site works and for the East Causeway habitat compensation works. Cast-in-place concrete works above the caissons (cope wall, crane beam, etc.) are in progress and scour protection rock is being placed in front of the new berth. Pilings have been driven for the new Roberts Bank Lifeboat Society location.

The removal of approximately 38,000 m³ of surplus preload material by truck was completed on January 22 - the Marine Works contractor (DCL) chose to retain more surplus preload material on site than previously anticipated, for possible use as fill.

Environmental Update

Ocean Disposal Permit

PMV issued its notice of intent to apply for an additional ocean disposal permit on February 11th, 2009 in the Delta Optimist (also placed in February 13th, South Delta Leader and February 14th edition of the Optimist). The application is for 78,000 cubic meters of dredged material.

On-site Habitat Compensation

Sandbar Stabilization – The baseline monitoring data compilation is complete and has been forwarded to DFO. A meeting to review the results has been arranged with DFO.

East Causeway – DFO has provided an authorization for the proposed temporary barge berth, and the terminal operator (TSI) has now awarded a contract for the barge berth construction project. Physical work on the east causeway habitats is expected to begin this spring, with substantial completion (including upland plantings) expected to be complete in 2010. Salt marsh plantings will be completed early 2011.

Reefs – Work on the reefs is still in progress and is expected to continue on a weather dependent and equipment availability basis. Placement of base materials is expected to be complete by the middle of March and all rock placement to be complete by the end of April, 2009.

Salt Marsh – All physical works are now complete. Monitoring of marsh habitat functions will continue this spring.

Caisson Refugia – All of the caissons are now in place. This project is complete. Monitoring of habitat functions will commence in concert with monitoring of the reefs, when those are complete later this year.

Off-site Habitat Compensation (*Rose-Kirkland Island*)

PMV and Ducks Unlimited sent out a joint media release regarding the completion of the off-site habitat compensation project on Wednesday, February 4th. As of February 17th, the local newspapers have not covered this story.

Other

Trucking Update

A new edition of the *Trucking News* will be published and distributed to the port container trucking community. This edition highlights requirements for safe driver behaviour in Delta, and escalating consequences for poor driver behaviour through the Truck Licensing System (TLS). A copy of this edition will be forwarded to DCLC members when it is complete.

Port Operations Traffic Monitoring Program

This year, traffic monitoring will be covered through existing contract security, casual and fulltime PMV staff. The work although, not dedicated to one person, is still a high priority and concern. All staff working on the monitoring will be using the same record forms and techniques.

Public Events

Information Booth at Tsawwassen Town Centre

PMV will have an information booth at the Tsawwassen Town Centre on Saturday, March 14th from 10am and 2pm. Naomi and a member of the community relations staff will be there to provide information on DP3 and the overall port. Technical staff will not be on-hand. PMV will report back to DCLC on the success prior to arranging another event.

Public Information Session

A DP3 public information session has been tentatively scheduled for May 27th. More details will be available at a later date.