

Joint Utility Board Sewage Treatment Plant Outfall Relocation Project: Project Update

Presentation for: Cowichan Watershed Board

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Presentation Outline

- Update on project.
- Seek comment on proposed pipe routes.
- Provide information on continued First Nations, stakeholder and public engagement processes.

Proposed Outfall Location



- Based on:
 - Scientific studies (Stage 2 EIS Outfall Report).
 - Traditional ecological knowledge.
 - Consultations with local First Nations.
- New location identified at embayment line.
- Now with Ministry of Environment for amendment to Central Sector Liquid Waste Management Plan (CSLWMP).
- Receiving Environment Monitoring Program (REMP) designed with First Nations input.



Next Steps: Determine routing for pipe from treatment plant to outfall.

- Marine routing:
 - Options based on scientific study (Stage 2 EIS Marine Pipeline Route).
 - Four routes studied.
 - Preference for pipe to lay on seabed.
 - Full report on website.
- Land routing:
 - 2 major options with variations
 - Pipe underground mostly in road right-of-ways.
- Still lots of work to do.



Next Steps: Marine pipeline .

- Four options studied
 - Westcan Terminal Road
 - Hecate Park boat launch
 - Sutherland Drive
 - Seaside Road
- Biophysical surveys: Marine, intertidal and subtidal areas for each route.

- Higher environmental impacts for Westcan and Hecate Park routes.
- Temporary impacts during construction (managed using best practices, mitigation and compensation as required)
- Minimal impact post construction.
- Full report available on project website.



Next Steps: Terrestrial pipeline.

- Two primary options under consideration:
 - Through Cowichan Tribes Reserve to one of the four marine accesses.
 - Via Trans-Canada Highway to Seaside or Sutherland accesses.
- Need to study further:
 - Engineering constraints.
 - Environmental and archeological assessments.
 - Cost.
- Will look for co-benefits.
 - Working closely with Cowichan Tribes.

Next Steps: Terrestrial pipeline.



TP-R03-S04 Cow Bay Rd Pipe 3

Park

2.4 km

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Cowichan Bay Rd

Bench Rd

TP-R02-S02 TCH Pipe 2 (1.1 km) ON DOM

Boys Rd

TPC-R51-S01 Bench Rd Connector Pipe (0.7 km)

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Next Steps: Terrestrial pipeline.

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C3	Reserve / Cow Bay / Koksilah Connect / Cherry / Seaside	Drk Blue, Red, Green, Orange, Orange Dash	12.2	1.8	14.0			t

Next Steps: Engagement and consultation.

- Challenging times!
- Ongoing consultation with local First Nations.
- Stakeholder engagement through online meetings, emails.
- Project Update #3 being prepared.
- Public engagement through media/social media, email notifications, PlaceSpeak, video (delayed for now).

PROJECT UPDATE #3: Joint Utilities Board Outfall Relocation Project March 2020 DRAFT

Outfall Relocation

eated effluent from the Joint Utilities Board Sewage ates emuent in our ne some or unues over or emoge atment Plant near Duncan is currently discharged into Heatment Hant hear Juncan is currently discharged into the Cowichan River. From here it flows down the river and through the ecologically sensitive Cowichan Estuary into Incomptone economicany sensitive convictant estuary into Cowichan Bay. This project will relocate the outfail from the coversant user. This project will relocate the outlan from the iver to a deep-water site in Satellite Channel (see Map 1). river to a deep-water site in Jatenne Channes (see map)). This new outfall will sent that treated effluent to a discharge

Proposed Outfall Location

The proposed outfall location was identified follow The proposed outrain rocation was ruemmed rollowing scientific studies, consideration of traditional ecological knowledge, and consultations with local First Nations. This knowledge, and consultations with local first nations. Ins location has now been submitted to the Province for approval. Information on the Stage 2 Environmental Impact Study Internation on the stage 4 commonmental interact study (Outfail Terminus) is provided in <u>Broject Update 82</u> (May 2019), and the Execution of the study of the st durant retrienting to provide and the security of the security downloaded from the project website.

A receiving environment monitoring program (REMP) has also A receiving environment monitoring program (HENNY) has also been prepared (see page 4 of this Update), showing how pre-

and post-discharge monitoring will take place. Map 1: Proposed Outfall Location

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Proposed Pipeline Routing Work is now underway to determine the preferred route for

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the pipe that will carry effluent from the treatment plant to The pipe that will carry entitent from the treatment plant to the new outfall. Several routes are under consideration, each the new outrait, several routes are under consumed way, each with a land-based component (pipe buried in the ground) and marine component (pipe resting on the seabed). Additional

- work is required to identify a preferred route: Environmental impacts of land options
- Archaeological and cultural studies
- Additional consultation with local First Nations
- Engagement with stakeholder groups and the public Assessments of the relative cost and feasibility of Engineering and design consideration



Getting more information.

- Updates will be posted at: <u>www.NorthCowichan.ca/JUBOutfallProject</u>
- To be kept informed, subscribe to updates at <u>www.NorthCowichan.ca</u> (see below for how to access Notifications on our website).

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