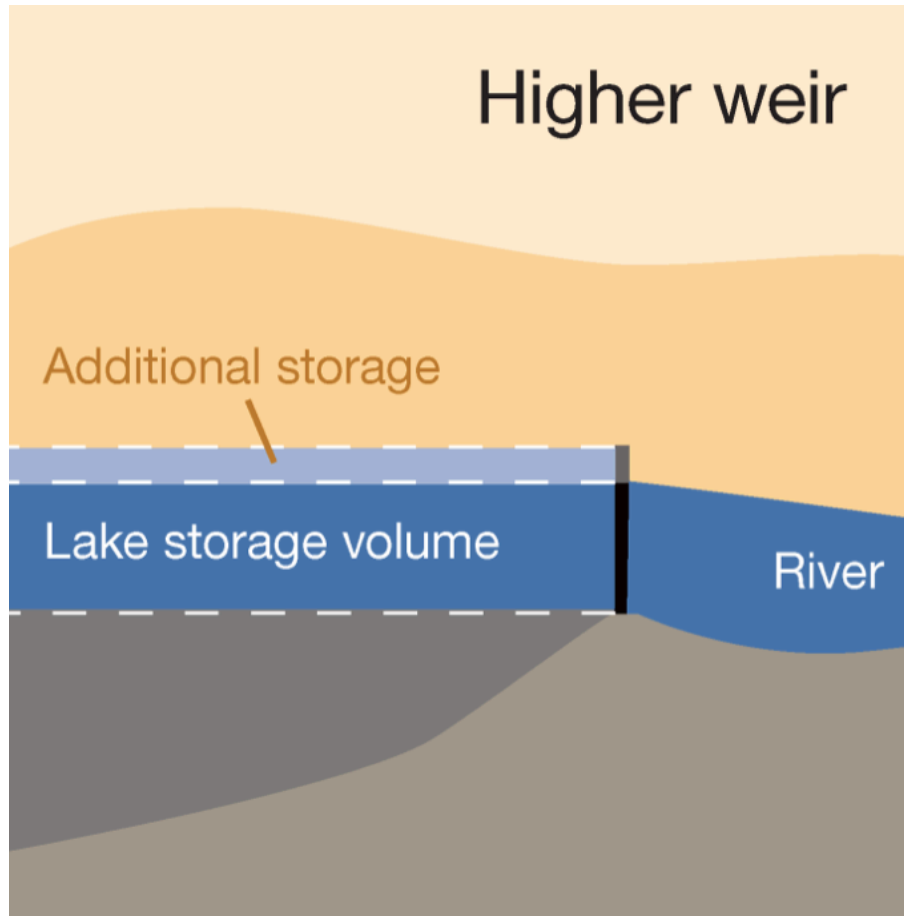


Weir License & Ownership Status Update

CWB Board

June 27 Update

Where we've come from...



License & Ownership Process to Date

- Consensus on a **local partnership approach to the weir** (MOU signed in June 2022). Local partners to:
 - **Initiate** a conservation water licence application by July 2022.
 - **Jointly engage** in the licence and other permitting process.
 - **Advocate** to the Province and Canada
 - **Negotiate** a Joint Works Agreement (“JW Agreement”).
 - **Give direction to** public communications and engagement
- Province agreed to “**resource, enable, and empower**” a local partnership.
- **Final decisions still needed:** ownership/license structure, liability/compensation, roles & responsibilities for water mgmt, ops & maintenance, etc. *Some will be made through license process, others through a Joint Works Agreement.*
- **Coordination Committee & Decision-Making Committee (CT, CVRD, PE + CWB)**

Milestones to Weir Completion

2022

- Local partnership MOU
- Initiate water license process: September
- Initiate government relations to secure capital
- Referrals, notice, BC decision on water license - with conditions

2023

Negotiate License & Joint Works Agreement

+ EAB process

Secure Commitment For Weir Capital

2024

- Final conservation water license and construction permits granted
- License, owner, operator arrangements confirmed - JWA finalized
- Financial Framework finalized: may require local electorate(s) approval

2025

- Weir construction tendering, procurement **

2026

- Weir build

2028 ***

- Weir completion (and expiry of PE temporary pumping license)

Progress

- **Signatures on MOU (June 2022)**
- **Continued close engagement of CT C&C, CVRD Board, PE, and CWB in this critical issue**
- **License process:** Currently scoping the approach for managing referrals process/sharing information; identifying legal considerations and next steps.
- **Communications:** June 16 public session on Shoreline Assessment.
- **Government relations:** letter to Premier Horgan (from CWB co-chairs) to:
 - Highlight capital funds needed for Weir
 - Reaffirm BC's commitment to a prioritized, timely, internally well-resourced license process

Key Questions

- Is further technical analysis needed to inform the license decision, and if so, when, who leads?
- Will senior governments step up to fund the capital cost for the Weir?
- What issues/challenges might arise in the license process? What are the respective roles and responsibilities of the local partners vs. the Province? What can the local partners expect from the Province?
- What is the local partners' strategy for negotiating a JWA?