INDIGENOUS MONITOR OVERVIEW REPORT

Month: September 2020 Indigenous Monitor days on-site: 27

Project Region: Edmonton (Spread 1) Kilometre Posts (KPs) monitored: 1–48

Indigenous Monitors on the Trans Mountain Expansion Project – Overview

The Trans Mountain Expansion Project (the Project) has retained Indigenous Monitors as integrated members of its construction Environmental Inspection team. Indigenous Monitors work with Environmental Inspectors to monitor compliance with mitigation measures to minimize impacts to traditional resource use and cultural/heritage sites during construction. Indigenous Monitors have a strategic role in providing traditional knowledge directly and pragmatically to construction oversight practices and bring an Indigenous lens to daily environmental inspection activities.

This Overview Report provides highlights of the Indigenous Monitors' day-to-day work and key mitigation measures observed by the Monitors related to Project construction in the Edmonton Region. The purpose of this report is to provide an update on Indigenous Monitor activity to Indigenous groups.

During this reporting period, key Project activities in the Edmonton Region involving Indigenous Monitors were taking place from KP 1 to 48 including monitoring and inspecting cleanup and reclamation and pipeline excavation areas.

For more information: email <u>info@transmountain.com</u> or call 1.866.514.6700.

Trans Mountain COVID-19 - Our Response

Trans Mountain is actively monitoring the COVID-19 situation with the help of federal, provincial and local agencies. Trans Mountain's top priority remains the health and safety of its workforce, their families and our communities. Trans Mountain and its construction contractors are working diligently together to adhere to all advice and direction from government and health officials, while ensuring the safe uninterrupted operation of the Trans Mountain Pipeline and the continued, safe construction of the Expansion Project. Measures being undertaken at construction sites include: temperature screening; following physical distancing guidelines, staggering work shifts and breaks; eliminating or minimizing in-person meetings; enhancing cleaning and sanitizing; and ensuring workers orientation includes COVID 19 expectations, awareness and prevention.

For more information: <u>transmountain.com/covid19</u>

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Cleanup and Reclamation

Construction of Spread 1 is 90.5% complete, and final cleanup and topsoil replacement continues.

Cleanup and reclamation are important steps in returning disturbed sites to a stable condition similar to the condition the site was in prior to the construction activity.

Mitigation measures implemented during cleanup and reclamation include:

- Removing wooden access matts and cleaning up associated matting debris and materials
- Re-establishing the construction site including watercourse bed and banks to a stable condition
- Re-establishing positive drainage across the worksite
- Preventing surface material loss due to soil erosion by wind and water
- Establishing a vegetative cover compatible with surrounding vegetation and land uses
- Deterring the proliferation of weeds, all to maintain equivalent land capability

The Indigenous Monitors inspected and participated in cleanup and reclamation activities, including monitoring of site housekeeping efforts, transplant areas and soil handling measures.



Return and compaction of roach pile.



Topsoil reclamation nearly complete.



Topsoil has been returned to site.

Excavation Safety

The Indigenous Monitors checked on several open excavations for pipeline installation to ensure proper signage and fencing was in place. Open excavations can lead to harm to workers or destruction of equipment. Proper signage and fencing helps to warn crews of the potential danger of these deep excavations.



Ensuring excavation is properly signed and fenced.

Indigenous Monitor Request Dashboard

Indigenous Monitors are provided with daily on-site field support from Environmental Inspectors and office support from Indigenous Monitor Coordinators. Indigenous Monitors can also make specific support requests or submit questions through their daily report. Examples include but are not limited to: request for Project reports, input from an environmental resource specialist or on-site support from an Elder or other cultural knowledge holder. Monthly requests and their completion status are noted below.

| Status | Number and Type of Requests | | | | |
|-------------|------------------------------|--|--|-------|-------|
| | Project Reports/Documents | Environmental Resource Specialists | Elder/Cultural Know ledge Holder | Other | Total |
| Total | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Fulfilled | 1 | - | - | 1 | 2 |
| Outstanding | - | - | - | - | - |

This report has been reviewed by the active Indigenous Monitor(s)

