

INDIGENOUS MONITOR OVERVIEW REPORT

Month: February 2021

Indigenous Monitor days on-site: 7

Project Region: Jasper to Mount
Robson Reactivation
(Hinton to Hargreaves)

Kilometre Posts (KPs) monitored:
322–461

Indigenous Monitors on the Trans Mountain Expansion Project – Overview

The Trans Mountain Expansion Project (TMEP) is retaining Indigenous Monitors as integrated members of its construction Environmental Inspection team. Indigenous Monitors work with Environmental Inspectors to monitor compliance with approved mitigation measures to minimize impacts to traditional resource use and cultural/heritage impacts during TMEP construction.

Operations and maintenance work, including integrity digs and sleeve replacements occurring along the deactivated pipeline segments in Jasper National Park and Mount Robson Provincial Park is not part of TMEP nor subject to TMEP Conditions. However, Trans Mountain will be including Indigenous Monitors during certain operations and maintenance work in reactivation areas as it relates to preparing for future TMEP construction activities.

This Overview Report provides highlights of the Indigenous Monitors' day-to-day work and key highlights observed by the Monitors in the Jasper to Mount Robson Reactivation region (Hinton to Hargreaves), specifically Jasper National Park and Mount Robson Provincial Park.

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on Indigenous Monitor activities to Indigenous groups. During the majority of this reporting period, Project activities in the Reactivation area were on hold for a Project-wide safety shutdown. When work restarted, key activities in the Jasper to Mount Robson Reactivation region involving Indigenous Monitors included wildlife sweeps and watercourse crossings.

For more information: email info@transmountain.com 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: following physical distancing guidelines, staggering work shifts and breaks; eliminating or minimizing in-person meetings; and enhancing cleaning and sanitizing; and ensuring workers orientation includes COVID 19 expectations, awareness and prevention.

For more information: transmountain.com/covid19

Wildlife Sweeps

Mitigation measures, including wildlife sweeps, have been developed to minimize potential negative effects on wildlife in Jasper National Park and Mount Robson Provincial Park, and also to protect the safety of workers related to potential wildlife interactions. In February the Indigenous Monitors participated in wildlife sweeps, specifically bird sweeps, alongside the Trans Mountain resource specialists and Environmental Inspectors. These sweeps occurred around the Fraser River 2 and Rockingham Creek construction areas to assess the potential risk of construction activities disturbing nesting birds. The team was looking for raptors as the active period for raptors started February 5 in the Mount Robson Provincial Park. No raptors were sighted during the wildlife sweeps.



Trans Mountain resource specialist conducting a wildlife sweep for raptors near Rockingham Creek in Mount Robson Provincial Park.

Watercourse Crossings

In Reactivation, there are various areas where the pipeline runs underneath a watercourse and operations and maintenance activities are required on the pipe at that crossing location. In December, the Indigenous Monitors observed pre-construction instream work activities at the Rockingham Creek watercourse crossing. These activities included topsoil stripping, grading and installation of erosion and sediment control measures.

In February, when construction restarted in Reactivation, the Indigenous Monitors resumed monitoring the preparatory activities for the instream construction work at Rockingham Creek. As Rockingham Creek is a fish-bearing watercourse, water quality monitoring (WQM) is conducted by Trans Mountain resource specialists, which includes testing for turbidity and total suspended solids 50 meters upstream and 50, 100, 200 and 300 meters downstream of the construction activity. Preparation works for instream work at Rockingham Creek will continue into March.



Trans Mountain resource specialists collecting samples for water quality monitoring at Rockingham Creek in Mount Robson Provincial Park.

Indigenous Monitor Request Dashboard

Indigenous Monitors are provided 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	Rolling Total and Type of Requests				
	Project Reports/Documents	Environmental Resource Specialists	Elder/Cultural Knowledge Holder	Other	Total
Total	1	-	-	-	1
Fulfilled	-	-	-	-	-
Outstanding	1	-	-	-	1

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

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