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WOODFIBRE LNG & FORTIS BC EAGLE MOUNTAIN GAS PIPELINE PROJECTS

Update from Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw Rights & Title
and Environmental Working Group



Rolling lane closures and temporary full closures are expected along Mamquam Forest Service Road (FSR) and Stawamus/Indian River FSR's as part of road upgrades for EGP construction.

If you're a member needing access, please contact 778-966-1117 at least 7 days in advance.

ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT PROTECTING OUR LANDS AND WATERS?

Ta na wa Yúus ta Stitúyntsám (Rights and Title Department) is looking to hire an Indigenous Monitor and a Lead Indigenous Monitor to observe, track and report on construction of the the FortisBC Eagle Mountain Pipeline (EGP) and Woodfibre (Swi'yát) LNG Facility. This is the first time the Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw has had a regulatory role to oversee a project of this kind. As a result, these positions were created to support the Nation in it's regulatory role.

The monitors will work closely with the Project environmental inspection teams to observe construction activities, discuss concerns, and find solutions. They will be the eyes and ears for the Nation on-site. The role will work up to 12 hours per day. Trucks, iPads and personal protective equipment will be provided.



INDIGENOUS MONITOR

This position will monitor the construction of the Fortis Eagle Mountain Pipeline (EGP) to transfer natural gas from the north of Coquitlam to Swi'yát (the Woodfibre LNG site).



LEAD INDIGENOUS MONITOR

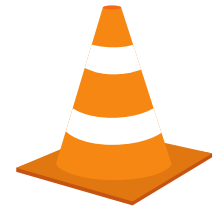
This position will monitor the construction of the Woodfibre LNG Site at Swi'yát. The Lead Indigenous Monitor takes on added responsibility in coordinating the Indigenous Monitors and communications with the Woodfibre LNG Environmental Inspection Team.

To learn more about these positions and apply visit <https://www.squamish.net/careers/> and click on "Job Postings".



ONGOING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

With both projects in the construction phase you may observe more activity around town and at Swiyát.



Swiyát (WOODFIBRE LNG)

The floatel is expected to arrive and house workers as early as April (pending final approvals). Non-local workers will be transported from Vancouver directly to Swiyát on 2-week rotations, transported by boat from Vancouver to avoid local impacts on housing, traffic and social services.

Squamish Nation has conditions of approval for the floatel as a result of the amendment to the Squamish Nation Environmental Assessment Agreement . The safety of community members is our number one priority. These conditions will be met prior to floatel occupancy.

WoodfibreLNG has finished the majority of vegetation clearing prior to the start of the migratory bird window. Prior to any vegetation clearing, bird nest surveys will take place in accordance with the “Develop with Care” standards, (Province of BC’s Environmental Guidelines for Land Development).

FORTIS BC EGP

To avoid surface disturbances at the Squamish River and estuary, a tunnel is planned underneath FortisBC Eagle Mountain Pipeline . FortisBC is assembling the tunnel boring machines and starting tunneling work at BC Rail (east tunnel portal) and Swiyát (west tunnel portal).

The proposed FortisBC Camp was approved by the Nation in 2023 but requires additional approvals before it can be built. One of the main reasons for this approval was to relocate workers out of town to minimize social impacts.

Squamish Nation has a communications plan and an access protocol with FortisBC. We want to minimize impacts from construction activities and have created a process for members to access the territory during construction closures. Please contact Whitney at 778-966-1117 if you need access or have any questions or concerns.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TRADITIONAL PLANT HARVESTING?



Back in Spring 2023, FortisBC started vegetation clearing along the pipeline route in preparation for pipeline construction. The Nation has continuously expressed the importance of our traditional medicines and plants along this corridor. We're looking for a team of Members interested in traditional plant harvesting along the route in advance of clearing activities.

If you are interested in paid plant harvesting work please contact swiyat@squamish.net or 778-966-1117.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Have you been impacted as a result of the current construction activities that are taking place? Please report to:

Whitney Joseph, Squamish Nation:
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FortisBC EGP:
egp@fortisbc.com or 1-855-380-5784

Woodfibre LNG:
info@wlng.ca or 1-888-801-7929