

Resource Development Newsletter

Kingsclear First Nation

Mactaquac Dam Project

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Project information

NB Power is currently exploring 3 options for the Mactaquac Dam (building a new powerhouse, retain the headpond (no power) or river restoration), as the dam is expected to end its service life in 2030. Mactaquac is 1 of 7 hydro stations in NB and has a generating capacity of 668 MW (supplies approx. 12% of the province's energy needs).

Technical Lead

NB Power has released a Comparative Environmental Review (CER) drafted by Stantec. The Maliseet will make comments on the document with the help our technical reviewers MSES (who also work with the Maliseet communities on Sisson and

TransCanada).

First Nation Engagement

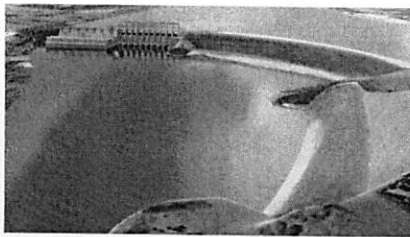
Kingsclear has hired a Survey Researcher, Cyril Sacobie for eight weeks to work on the Mactaquac file. The purpose of this position is to collect input from Kingsclear community members, both on and off reserve, on the Mactaquac Generating Station project for NB Power.

If you like to voice your concerns/opinions on the project, contact Sydney Paul at 363-3028 or sydneypaul@kingsclear.ca

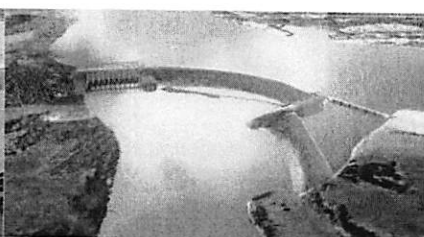
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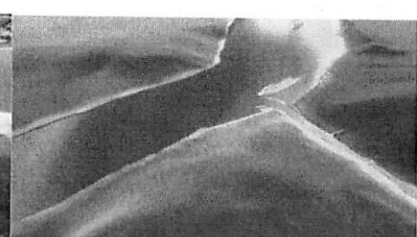
Below are the three options presented by NB Power.



Option 1: New Repower station
and spillway



Option 2: New Spillway



Option 3: Restoration

visit www.mactaquac.ca

TransCanada Energy East Proposed Pipeline (EEP)

The EEP is a proposed 4600 km pipeline which will transport Alberta and Saskatchewan crude oil from Hardisty Alberta to Saint John New Brunswick.

The pipeline is expected to go through the traditional territory of 180 different Indigenous communities.

The pipeline has undergone several changes and re-routes since its inception. With nearly 700 re-routes along its complete course with 53 reported route alterations in New Brunswick alone. These come about due to an unacceptable level of environmental and socio-economic risks. For TransCanada to make the proposed pipeline into a reality they must pass a National Energy Board (NEB) review and then get approved by the cabinet of ministers of Canada. To pass the NEB they must submit a Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment (ESA) which includes several criteria or valued components (VC). They are as follows:

- Atmospheric Environment
- Acoustic Environment
- Surface Water Resources
- Groundwater Resources
- Fish and Fish Habitat

- Soils and Terrain
- Vegetation and Wetlands
- Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat

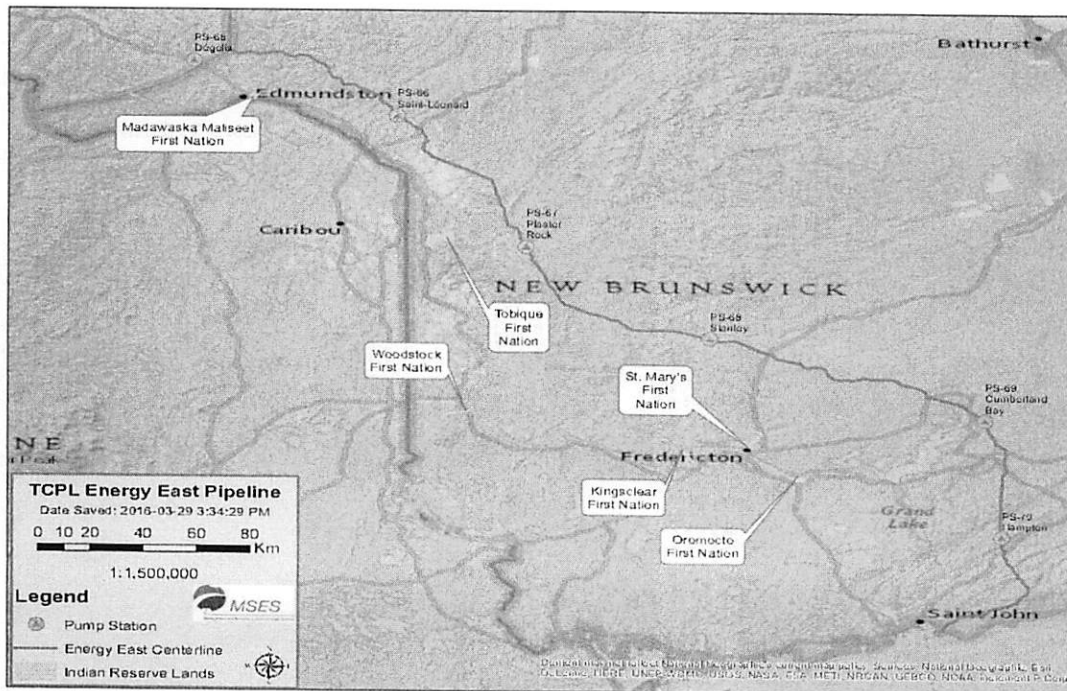
The above is the environmental aspect, but they also include human considerations:

- Human Occupancy and Resource Use
- Heritage Resources
- Palaeontological Resources
- Traditional Land and Resource Use
- Employment and Economy
- Infrastructure and Services
- Social and Cultural Well-being
- Human Health
- Visual Aesthetics

Currently the EEP is in the process of filing a consolidated application to the NEB. Kingsclear First Nation is listed as an Aboriginal Intervenor for this process which means our representatives will be able to table our interests and any unrest we feel as a community at the hearings.

The results for the Traditional Use Study will be presented in early June 2016 in Kingsclear by the Maliseet's consultant Peter Armitage (Wolverine & Associates Inc.). It is also expected that our technical experts will be presenting on the project in June.

This is the proposed pipeline route for New Brunswick.



If you have any further questions or concerns regarding TransCanada Energy East Proposed Pipeline, please reach Gordon Grey at the band hall during regular working hours at 363-3028 ext 162, by email at greywag@hotmail.com, or cell at 259-6163. offi(room 113)

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Kingsclear Community Engagement Committee (CEC)

The CEC is made up of four community members. The purpose of the committee is The purpose of the Community Engagement Committee is to create, implement and inform Kingsclear members on any resource development. The committee will do this by hosting open houses, information sessions, questionnaires, visiting house to house, and identify what the community wants when receiving project information. All information regarding the committee information will be posted on Kingsclear.ca under "News & Events" than "Community newsletter" than "Resource Development Coordinator newsletter".

The CEC was established in December 2015. We have had four meetings to date. The committee assists with spreading the word for meetings, attending meetings, and set up and clean up at meetings, etc.

Any members interested in providing their contact information for notifications for any upcoming events regarding Consultation, should contact Sydney Paul at sydneypaul@kingclear.ca or 506-363-3028 ext. 143

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Sisson Open Pit proposed Mine

The federal government (Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency or "CEAA") released their draft Comprehensive Study Review (CSR) to the Maliseet, Mi'gmaq and the proponent on February 3rd, 2016. The draft CSR did not include a significance determination on the project. Comments on the draft CSR (prepared by MSES- Technical lead) were sent to CEAA for their consideration on February 24th, 2016. The revised CSR is set to be released on April 15th, 2016. CEAA is still accepting comments while they work on the revised CSR. The decision to approve/disapprove of the mine will likely come in late July or early August 2016. The decision is made by the Minister of Environment

and Climate Change of Canada. The project can not go through without federal approval (which the provincial approval was granted in December 2015, subject to 40 conditions). Any members who wish to have the full report titled "Review of the Draft Federal Comprehensive Study Report Prepared by CEAA for the Sisson Mine Project" (MSES, January 2016), should contact Sydney Paul at 363-3028 ext. 143 or sydneypaul@kingsclear.ca. Additionally, the draft CSR can be sent to any members wishing to review it.
